# **BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN**

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT, AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

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# **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Borough Council Borough of Hellertown Hellertown, Pennsylvania

#### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### Opinions

We have audited the accompanying modified cash basis financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Borough of Hellertown, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Borough's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Borough as of December 31, 2023 and the respective changes in financial position-modified cash basis and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). 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 Borough of Hellertown, 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.

#### Emphasis of Matter — Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

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

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1; this includes determining that the modified cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible 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 Borough's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

#### 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 GAAS 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

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omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, 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
  Borough'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 Borough's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, statement of revenues received, expenditures paid and changes in fund balance – modified cash basis – budget and actual – general fund, schedule of employer contributions – police pension plan, schedule of investment returns – police pension plan, schedule of changes in net pension liability and related ratios – police pension plan, schedule of contributions to the OPEB plans, and schedule of changes in the total OPEB liability and related ratios on pages 4-9 and 40-44 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Government Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of the 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.

#### Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Borough of Hellertown's basic financial statements. The other supplementary information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining balance sheet – modified cash basis – special revenue funds, combining statement of revenues received, expenditures paid and changes in fund balance – modified cash basis – special revenue funds, and statements of revenue received, expenditures paid, and changes in fund balance – modified cash basis – budget and actual, fire fund and liquid fuels fund on pages 46-49 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining statements and schedule





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of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

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Jamison, Pennsylvania June 27, 2024

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The Borough of Hellertown's discussion and analysis provides an overview of the Borough's financial activities for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2023. Since this information is focused on the current year's activities, resulting changes, and currently known facts, it should be read in conjunction with the Borough's financial statements beginning on page 10.

# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The net position of the primary government (excluding pensions and agency funds) increased \$216,061 during 2023. This is primarily due to an overall decrease in expenditures in 2023.
- The General Fund balance increased \$544,535 primarily due to an excess of revenue over expenditures in 2023.
- The net position of the Sanitation Fund increased by \$13,951 in 2023. This is attributed to an increase in overall revenue in 2023.
- Overall, the Borough of Hellertown had a total of \$1,871,651 in outstanding debt as of December 31, 2023.

## USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual reports consist of two parts: Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section) and the basic Financial Statements. The basic financial statements include a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Position – Modified Cash Basis and the Statement of Activities - Modified Cash Basis on pages 10 and 11 provide information about the activities of the Borough as a whole and present a longer term view of the Borough's finances. Fund financial statements start on page 12. For government activities, these statements tell how these services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements also report the Borough's operations in more detail than the government wide statements by providing information about the Borough's most significant funds. Since Hellertown Borough is a general purpose government, we have elected to combine fund financial statements into government wide financial statements for single presentation. The remaining statements provide financial information about activities for which the Borough as a trustee or agent for the benefit of those outside the government.

#### REPORTING ON THE BOROUGH AS A WHOLE

The analysis of the Borough as a whole begins on page 5. One of the most important questions asked about the Borough's finances is "Is the Borough as a whole better or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Position – Modified Cash Basis and the Statement of Activities – Modified Cash Basis report information about the Borough as a whole and about its activities in a way that helps answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the modified cash basis of accounting, which recognizes revenue when received and expenses when paid.

These two statements report the Borough's net position and changes in them. You can think of the Borough's net position – the difference between assets and liabilities – as one way to measure the Borough's financial health, or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the Borough's net position are one indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating. You will need to consider other nonfinancial factors, however, such as changes in the Borough's property tax base and the condition of the Borough's roads, to assess the overall health of the Borough.

In the Statement of Net Position – Modified Cash Basis and the Statement of Activities – Modified Cash Basis, the Borough presents Governmental and Business Type Activities. All of the Borough's basic services are reported here. The Borough's Governmental Activities include the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds (includes Liquid Fuels, Fire Protection Fund, and American Rescue Plan Fund), Debt Service Fund and Capital Projects Funds (includes Fire Capital Fund). These funds are explained in more detail on page 21. The Borough has one Business Type Activity that is its Sanitation Fund.

## REPORTING THE BOROUGH'S MOST SIGNIFICANT FUNDS

Our analysis of the Borough's governmental funds begins on page 7 and provides detailed information about the most significant funds – General Fund, Capital Projects Funds and Special Revenue Funds – not the Borough as a whole. All of the Borough's basic services are reported in the General Fund, which focuses on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. The fund is reported using an accounting method called modified cash basis of accounting. The General Fund statements provide a detailed, short term view of the Borough's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or few financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Borough's programs. We describe the relationship (or differences) between governmental *activities* (reported in the Statement of Net Position – Modified Cash Basis and the Statement Activities – Modified Cash Basis) and governmental *funds* in a reconciliation at the bottom of the fund financial statements.

	Governmen	nmental Activities			Business T	vpe A	ctivities	Government Wide			
	2022	<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>		<u>2023</u>		<u>2022</u>			<u>2023</u>
Cash & Cash Equivalent Other Receivables	\$ 5,115,817 1,332	\$	5,242,449 -	\$	307,513 -	\$	321,464 -	\$	5,423,330 1,332	\$	5,563,913 -
Total Assets	\$ 5,117,149	\$	5,242,449	\$	307,513	\$	321,464	\$	5,424,662	\$	5,563,913
Current Liabilities Non Current Liabilities - Notes Payable Total Liabilities	\$ 77,706 1,871,651 1,949,357	\$	80,742 1,791,805 1,872,547	\$	- - -	\$	-	\$	77,706 1,871,651 1,949,357	\$	80,742 1,791,805 1,872,547
Restricted for Special Purpose Unreserved - Undesignated Total Net Position	\$ 627,830 2,539,962 3,167,792	\$	129,388 3,240,514 3,369,902	\$	- 307,513 307,513	\$	- 321,464 321,464	\$	627,830 2,847,475 3,475,305	\$	129,388 3,561,978 3,691,366

# THE BOROUGH AS TRUSTEE

The Borough is a trustee, or fiduciary, over its employee's pension trust funds. It is also responsible for other assets than can only be used for the depositors based on the trust agreement in those depositors. All of the Borough's fiduciary activities are reported in a separate Statement of Fiduciary Net Position – Modified Cash Basis and Changes in Fiduciary Net Position – Modified Cash Basis on pages 18-19. We exclude these activities from the Borough's other financial statements because the Borough cannot use these assets to finance its operations. The Borough is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes.

### THE BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN AS A WHOLE

The Borough of Hellertown's combined net position increased from \$3,475,305 in 2022 to \$3,691,366 or a net increase of \$216,061. In contrast, 2022 net position decreased by \$2,064,533

Our analysis below focuses on the net position and changes in net position of the Borough's governmental and business type activities.

The entity-wide net position of the Borough increased by 6.22% in 2023. Therefore, the Borough increased its entity-wide net position by \$216,061 in 2023. Unrestricted net position – the part of net position that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation or other legal requirements increased from \$2,847,475 at the end of 2022 to \$3,561,978 at the end of 2023.

The net position of the Borough's Business Type Activities increased by 4.54%. Accordingly, the Borough increased its net position for Business Type Activities by \$13,951. The unrestricted net position – that part of net position that can be used to finance daily business type activities changed from \$307,513 in 2022 to \$321,464 in 2023.

	Government	tal Activities	Business Ty	pe Activities	Governm	ent Wide		
	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>		
Revenue								
Taxes	\$ 3,863,159	\$ 4,017,399	\$-	\$-	\$ 3,863,159	\$ 4,017,399		
Intergovernmental Revenue	1,096,119	659,291	-	-	1,096,119	659,291		
Refuse Collection	-	-	568,591	640,229	568,591	640,229		
Recycling	-	-	292,632	313,076	292,632	313,076		
Charges for Service	201,024	162,522	-	-	201,024	162,522		
Licenses & Permits	202,968	226,587	4,263	3,386	207,231	229,973		
All Other	397,957	351,207	-		397,957	351,207		
Total	5,761,227	5,417,006	865,486	956,691	6,626,713	6,373,697		
Expenses								
General Government	782,299	772,331	18,003	35,043	800,302	807,374		
Public Safety	2,329,685	1,471,174	-	-	2,329,685	1,471,174		
Public Works	2,550,117	1,053,163	-	-	2,550,117	1,053,163		
Personnel	-	-	462,077	476,632	462,077	476,632		
Contracted Services	-	-	389,671	394,068	389,671	394,068		
Culture & Recreation	1,058,977	917,271	-	-	1,058,977	917,271		
Debt Service	50,384	52,059	-	-	50,384	52,059		
Repairs & Maintenance	-	-	49,066	38,459	49,066	38,459		
Employee Benefits & Taxes	987,924	947,436	-	-	987,924	947,436		
All Other	13,043	-	-		13,043	-		
Total	7,772,429	5,213,434	918,817	944,202	8,691,246	6,157,636		
Transfers	5,544	(1,462)	(5,544)	1,462		-		
Change in Net Position	\$ (2,005,658)	\$ 202,110	\$ (58,875)	\$ 13,951	\$ (2,064,533)	\$ 216,061		

Overall, the Borough's governmental program revenues, including intergovernmental aid, decreased from \$5,761,226 in 2022 to \$5,417,006 in 2023 primarily due to decrease in intergovernmental revenue (grants).

Business type revenue increased by \$91,205 and net position increased by \$13,951 due to an increase in refuse collections.

#### **Governmental Activities**

The cost of all governmental activities (government wide activities) in 2023 was \$5,213,434 compared to \$7,772,429 in 2022. The decrease in costs is primarily associated with a decrease in public safety and public works.

As shown in the Statement of Activities – Modified Cash Basis on page 11, the amount our taxpayers ultimately financed for these activities through Borough taxes, fines, licenses, and other revenue was \$4,391,621 (a decrease of \$2,083,664 from 2022). Some of these costs were paid by those who directly benefitted from the program which amounted to \$162,522 (an decrease of \$38,502 from 2022). Other governments and organizations that subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions amounted to \$659,291 (down from \$1,096,119 in 2022).

#### **Business Type Activities**

Overall, the Sanitation Fund (business type activities) net position increased from \$307,513 in 2022 to \$321,464 in 2023. The increase is attributed to an increase in revenue in 2023.

The following table presents the cost of each of the Borough's five largest programs – General Government, Public Safety, Public Works, Culture & Recreation, and Employee Benefits, as well as each program's net cost (total cost less revenues generated by the activities). The net cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the Borough's taxpayers by each of these functions. The last two columns represent the net comparison to 2022 and 2021.

		Charges for Operating			Capital 2023 Net			2022 Net		2021 Net			
	 Expenses	S	Service		Grants		Grants		Expense		Expense		Expense
General Government	\$ 772,331	\$	3,110	\$	15,500	\$	-	\$	753,721	\$	310,101	\$	522,703
Public Safety	1,471,174		8,787		37,851		-		1,424,536		2,277,339		1,542,707
Public Works	1,053,163		10,638		186,261		375,393		480,871		2,032,832		1,124,790
Culture & Recreation	917,271		139,987		-		-		777,284		869,759		609,393
Employee Benefits/Taxes	947,436		-		44,286		-		903,150		921,827		756,121

## THE BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN FUNDS

As the Borough completed the year, its governmental funds (as presented on the balance sheet on page 12) reported a fund balance of \$5,241,553 which is above last year's total of \$5,117,149. It must be noted, a significant contributor to the increase in fund balance is the decrease in public works and public safety expenditures in 2023.

The year-end fund balances consist of \$4,161,258 in unassigned funds, \$129,388 in restricted funds, \$519,642 in committed funds, and \$431,265 in assigned funds.

# GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Actual revenue of the General Fund (the main operating fund of the Borough) was \$93,666 above budget projections with the largest increase seen in Taxes.

The actual expenditures of the General Fund were \$593,986 below budget amounts. The most significant favorable variances of \$458,203 (Employee Benefits/Taxes) and \$136,027 (Public Safety).

## CAPITAL PROJECTS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

## 2023 Capital Improvements:

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•	IT Upgrades	\$	1,387
٠	Police Tasers	\$	16,310
٠	Police Vehicles	\$	61,517
٠	Police ToughBooks	\$	23,365
٠	Sanitation Can Lift	\$	7,350
٠	Public Works PickUp	\$	41,142
٠	Public Works Building	\$	44,733
٠	Engineering MS4	\$	9,526
٠	Durham Street Crossing	\$	7,689
٠	Parks Truck	\$	67,600
٠	Tree Removal & Trimming	\$	3,900
٠	Bandshell Maintenance	\$	7,000
٠	Dimmick Park Cameras	\$	11,950
٠	Authority Park	\$	5,356
• •	Bandshell Maintenance Dimmick Park Cameras	\$ \$	7,000 11,950

Due to fiscal constraints, many 2024 capital purchases will be delayed.

## Debt

The Borough of Hellertown has one outstanding Note Payable, which are the 2022 General Obligation Note (GON) with an outstanding balance of \$1,871,651 (reduced by \$77,706 in 2023) that was used to refinance the 2012 GON and to finance the new public works facility.

# HELLERTOWN BOROUGH DEMOGRAPHICS & ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

According to the July 2023 US Census data estimates the population of Hellertown Borough is 6,117 (+.02%).

The median age of a Hellertown resident is 44.8 of which 26% is under age 18, 54% is between the ages of 18 and 65, and 20.3% is 65 years or older.

The median household income is \$76,579 (an increase of \$5,915 during the same period in 2022).

The median home value is \$322,000 (down from \$325,000 in 2022) of which 68 percent are owner occupied and 32 percent are rental units. There were 2 permits issued for housing units.

Hellertown has a total of 262 businesses. In 2023, the leading industries were Health Care, Retail, and Food Services. Hellertown welcomed 15 new businesses in 2023, although 12 closed.

As of November 2023, the assessed value of all property in the Borough of Hellertown is \$132,358,100 an increase of \$786,000. An assessed value is the dollar value assigned to a property to measure applicable taxes. Assessed valuation determines the value of a residence for tax purposes and takes comparable home sales and inspections into consideration. It is the price placed on a home by the corresponding government municipality to calculate property taxes.

At the start of 2023, prior year uncertainty and economic turbulence persisted, which caused concerns and market volatility. However, as we approached the end of 2023, there was cause for optimism. The market has rebounded, economic data indicates a strong labor market, and wages are keeping up with inflation.

In the US, according to a report by Comerica, real GDP grew at an annualized rate of 3.3% in the first half of the year, and the economy added 2.7 million jobs. The PA unemployment rate averaged 3.4%. Average hourly wages surged 4.1% over the year. The rate of pay exceeded the pace of inflation. The Lehigh Valley is among the fastest growing regions in Pennsylvania. The population in Lehigh and Northampton counties topped 694,800 people.

The region's growth can be attributed to its strong schools and healthcare providers, affordable real estate, economic stability, low crime rates, and recreational and cultural amenities. Lehigh Valley Unemployment rates were 3.4% as of November 2023 on par with pre-pandemic levels.

The Lehigh Valley has historically been a global leader in steel and other heavy manufacturing industries, which represented a considerable portion of its employment and economic production for most of the 20th century. However, the region has diversified its economy in recent years and now boasts a diverse business landscape of healthcare, warehousing, transportation, professional offices, apartments, and restaurants.

The Borough of Hellertown continues on its path to provide a healthy and economically stable environment for its residents, businesses, and visitors. a healthy fund balance, grants, and sound fiscal management practices have eased the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The position we are in as a borough is a testament to our borough employees, Council and Mayor that focuses on the overall well-being of our community above all else. Continued investment in our infrastructure, recreation assets and buildings ensure this community continues to be a great place to live, work and play.

As with most small communities, the borough is continually challenged to provide necessary essential services with a sensible approach to taxing our property owners and generating enough revenue to sustain government services.

Borough Council and staff have anticipated the impact of the economy and cost of services on municipal revenue and expenditures. As we move through the year, we will monitor performance and make adjustments in spending that are appropriate, use capital funds efficiently and effectively, and maintain necessary municipal services to the community.

#### REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

The financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Borough's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information may be addressed to the Borough Manager, 685 Main St., Hellertown, PA 18055.

# BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN STATEMENT OF NET POSITION – MODIFIED CASH BASIS DECEMBER 31, 2023

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Activities		ness-Type	То	tal Primary
Activities	Α	ctivities	Go	overnmental
5,242,449	\$	321,464	\$	5,563,913
-		-		-
5,242,449	\$	321,464	\$	5,563,913
896	\$	-	\$	896
79,846		-		79,846
80,742		-		80,742
1,791,805		-		1,791,805
1,872,547		-		1,872,547
129,388		-		129,388
3,240,514		321,464		3,561,978
0.000.000		204 404		0.004.000
3,369,902		321,404		3,691,366
5,242,449	\$	321,464	\$	5,563,913
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## BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES – MODIFIED CASH BASIS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

						ram Revenues		Capital			et (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position			
					Grants and	Governmental		Business-Type						
Functions/Programs		Expenses	Services		Contributions		Contributions		Activities		Activities		Total	
Primary Government:														
Governmental Activities														
General Government	\$	772,331	\$	3,110	\$	15,500	\$	-	\$	(753,721)	\$	-	\$	(753,721)
Public Safety		1,471,174		8,787		37,851		-		(1,424,536)		-		(1,424,536)
Public Works - Highway/Streets		1,053,163		10,638		186,261		375,393		(480,871)		-		(480,871)
Culture and Recreation		917,271		139,987		-		-		(777,284)		-		(777,284)
Employee Benefits/Taxes		947,436		-		44,286		-		(903,150)		-		(903,150)
Contingencies		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Interest		52,059		-		-				(52,059)		-		(52,059)
Total Governmental Activities		5,213,434	. <u> </u>	162,522		283,898		375,393		(4,391,621)		-		(4,391,621)
Business-Type Activities:														
Sanitation		944,202		953,305								9,103		9,103
Total Business-Type Activities		944,202		953,305		-		-				9,103		9,103
Total Primary Government	_\$	6,157,636	\$	1,115,827	\$	283,898	\$	375,393		(4,391,621)		9,103		(4,382,518)
			Gener	al Revenues ar	nd Tran	sfers:								
			Taxe							4,017,399		-		4,017,399
			Lice	nses and Perr	nits					226,587		3,386		229,973
				s and Forfeitu						57,729		-		57,729
				rest and Rents						184,742		-		184,742
				ellaneous						108,736		-		108,736
			Trar	nsfers						(1,462)		1,462		-
			Total C	Total General Revenues and Transfers						4,593,731	. <u> </u>	4,848		4,598,579
				Change in	Net Po	sition				202,110		13,951		216,061
			Net Po	sition - Beginr	ning of `	Year				3,167,792		307,513		3,475,305
			Net Po	osition - End of	Year				\$	3,369,902	\$	321,464	\$	3,691,366

## BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN BALANCE SHEET – MODIFIED CASH BASIS GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2023

	 Major	Funds			Other	Total			
	General	Сар	oital Projects Funds	1	Nonmajor Funds	G	overnmental Funds		
ASSETS									
Cash and Cash Equivalents Restricted Cash Other Receivables	\$ 4,162,154 - -	\$	774,940 175,967 -	\$	- 129,388 -	\$	4,937,094 305,355 -		
Total Assets	\$ 4,162,154	\$	950,907	\$	129,388	\$	5,242,449		
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES									
Other Liablilites	\$ 896	\$	-	\$	-	\$	896		
FUND BALANCES									
Restricted	-		-		129,388		129,388		
Committed	-		519,642		-		519,642		
Assigned	-		431,265		-		431,265		
Unassigned	 4,161,258		-	. <u> </u>	-		4,161,258		
Total Fund Balances	 4,161,258		950,907		129,388		5,241,553		
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 4,162,154	\$	950,907	\$	129,388				

Reconciliation to Statement of Net Position - Modified Cash Basis:

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position - Modified Cash Basis are different because: Some liabilities, including capital debt obligations payable, are not due and payable in the	<i></i>
current period and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds.	 (1,871,651)
Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ 3,369,902

## BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN STATEMENT OF REVENUES RECEIVED, EXPENDITURES PAID AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – MODIFIED CASH BASIS GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

General         Capital Projects         Other Normaging         Constrained at 100 and 100		Major Funds							Total
Fund         Funds         Funds         Funds           Tuees         \$ 3,817.224         \$ - \$ \$ 200.176         \$ \$ 4017.309           Charges for Services         106.774         375.303         175,144         166.90.201           Charges for Services         151,884         10.638         125,144         162.922           Fines and Porthitures         57.729         -         -         226.857           Licenses and Porthitures         200.598         28.138         -         108,728           Total Rivenues Raceived         4.594.664         446.093         375.340         5.417.005           EXPENDITURES PAID         16.320         -         -         165.320           General Council         16.320         -         -         162.320           Mayor and Council         16.320         -         -         163.300           General Council         163.0409         -         -         163.200           Outright Stota         157.33         97.732         -         412.370           Patie         1,313.256         -         -         1,313.266           Fire         -         583.185         299.566         170.382         1,063.163 <td< th=""><th></th><th></th><th></th><th></th><th>ital Proiects</th><th>Othe</th><th>er Nonmaior</th><th>Go</th><th></th></td<>					ital Proiects	Othe	er Nonmaior	Go	
Toes         \$         3,817.224         \$         -         \$         20,075         \$         4,07.398           Unarge for Services         116,804         10,638         175,144         693,291           Charge for Services         151,884         10,638         175,144         693,291           Charge for Services         57,729         -         -         12,729           Licenses and Permits         226,587         -         -         16,729           Moscelemoces Reserved         4,584,664         446,993         375,349         5,417,006           EXPENDITURES PAID         -         16,320         -         -         16,320           General Covernment         116,320         -         -         16,320           Maragerial         114,008         -         114,008         -         16,320           Cerical         160,499         -         -         16,320           Police         1,313,266         -         -         13,326           Fire         -         583,185         299,596         170,382         1,063,163           Culture and Reseation         -         -         51,249         947,436         -         -         1,3							-		
Integroemmerial Resonance         108,754         375,333         175,114         663,33           Charges for Services         151,884         106,333         -         152,522           Filoss and Forfaltures         226,557         -         -         226,557           Licenses and Permits         226,557         -         -         226,557           Miscalanacous Revenue         80,599         28,139         -         108,728           Miscalanacous Revenues         80,599         28,139         -         108,728           Cancral Government         16,320         -         -         16,320           Maryor and Councel         -         16,320         -         163,320           Cherical Government         16,320         -         163,200           Managerial         114,008         -         -         163,200           Cherical Government         315,138         97,722         -         412,670           Publics         1,313,256         -         -         1,313,256         -         -         1,313,256         -         -         1,313,256         -         -         1,57,718         -         6,541         -         6,541         -         -	REVENUES RECEIVED								
Charges for Services         151,884         10,282         102,222           Fines and Formitis         226,587         -         226,587           Increases and Permits         226,587         -         226,587           Increases and Permits         20,598         221,138         -         108,736           Mescelenceus Reserve         80,598         221,138         -         108,736           Total Revenues Received         4,594,664         446,993         375,340         5,417,006           EXPENDITURES PAID         -         16,320         -         -         16,320           General Covernment         114,908         -         -         16,320           Maragerial         114,908         -         -         16,320           Celercal         160,499         -         100,499         -         100,499           Solicitor         67,734         -         67,734         -         17,734           General Government         313,256         -         -         1,313,256           Fire         -         58,764         98,154         157,118           Public Works         -         583,185         299,596         170,382         1,063,163	Taxes	\$	3,817,224	\$	-	\$	200,175	\$	4,017,399
Fines and Fordilures         57,729         -         -         57,729           Licenses and Permits         226,587         -         -         226,587           Interest and Permits         226,587         -         -         226,587           Total Revenues Received         4,594,664         446,983         375,349         5,417,006           EXPENDITURES PAID         General Government         16,320         -         -         16,320           Margerial         114,908         -         -         114,308         -         114,008           Clarical         160,499         -         -         160,499         -         114,008           Solicitor         67,734         -         -         67,734         -         67,734           General Government         315,138         97,732         -         113,3258         -         1,313,256         -         1,313,256         -         1,033,163           Culture and Recreation         -         583,185         299,596         170,382         1,063,163           Culture and Recreation         -         -         61,541         -         -         61,541           Park and Pool         394,730         461,000	Intergovernmental Revenues		108,754		375,393		175,144		659,291
Learness and Permits         226,597         .         .         226,597           Interest and Ren         20,598         22,138         .         108,736           Maccaleneous Revenue         20,598         28,138         .         108,736           Total Revenues Received         4,594,664         446,933         375,349         5,417,006           EXPENDITURES PAID         .         .         16,320         .         .         16,320           General Covernment         .         .         .         .         16,320         .         .         16,320           Chincial         .	Charges for Services		151,884		10,638		-		162,522
Increst and Rent         151,888         32,224         30         114,742           Mscellaneous Revenues         80,598         28,139         -         108,736           Total Revenues Received         4,594,664         446,993         375,349         5,417,006           EXPENDITURES PAID         General Coverment         16,320         -         -         16,320           Margerial         114,908         -         -         16,320         -         -         16,320           Clarical         160,499         -         -         160,499         -         -         160,499           Solicitor         67,734         -         -         67,734         -         67,734           General Coverment         315,138         97,732         -         412,870           Public         1,313,256         -         -         1,313,256           File         -         583,764         99,154         157,918           Public Works         -         583,765         299,596         170,382         1,653,163           Cuture and Recreation         -         -         61,541         -         -         61,541           Parix and Pool         3947,436	Fines and Forfeitures		57,729		-		-		57,729
Miscellaneous Revenue         80,598         28,138         -         108,736           Total Revenues Received         4,594,664         446,993         375,349         5,417,006           EXPENDITURES PAID         -         16,320         -         16,320           Managarial         114,908         -         116,0499           Clerical         160,499         -         160,499           Solicitor         67,734         -         67,734           General Government         315,138         97,732         412,870           Public Safety         1,313,256         -         1,313,256           Fire         -         58,764         99,154         176,718           Public Voris         -         58,764         99,154         176,718           Public Voris         -         58,764         99,154         167,718           Public Voris         -         58,700         -         61,541           Det Service         -         -         62,699         -         -           Park and Pool         394,730         461,000         855,730         -         -           Det Service         -         -         -         -         -	Licenses and Permits		226,587		-		-		226,587
Miscellaneous Revenue         80,598         28,138         -         108,736           Total Revenues Received         4,594,664         446,993         375,349         5,417,006           EXPENDITURES PAID         -         16,320         -         16,320           Managarial         114,908         -         116,0499           Clerical         160,499         -         160,499           Solicitor         67,734         -         67,734           General Government         315,138         97,732         412,870           Public Safety         1,313,256         -         1,313,256           Fire         -         58,764         99,154         176,718           Public Voris         -         58,764         99,154         176,718           Public Voris         -         58,764         99,154         167,718           Public Voris         -         58,700         -         61,541           Det Service         -         -         62,699         -         -           Park and Pool         394,730         461,000         855,730         -         -           Det Service         -         -         -         -         -	Interest and Rent		151,888		32,824		30		184,742
EXPENDITURES PAID           General Covernment           Mayor and Council         16,320           Magnerial         114,008           Clerical         160,499           Solicitor         67,734           General Covernment         315,133           Public Safety         113,3256           Police         1,313,256           Fire         58,764           Public Vorks         116,411           Highways and Streets         583,165           Culture and Recreation         10,432,30           Library         61,541           Park and Pool         394,730           Dett Service         77,706           Principal         77,706           Principal         77,706           Interest         52,0596           Contingencies         -           Employee Benefits/Taxes         947,436           Total Expenditures Paid         4,104,512           OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)         -           Proceestrom issuance of debt         -           Net transfers in (out)         54,383           548,410         (604,255)           OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)           Proceest from issuance of debt <td>Miscellaneous Revenue</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>28,138</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>	Miscellaneous Revenue				28,138				
General Government Mayor and Council         16,320         -         -         16,320           Mangerial         114,908         -         -         114,908         -         -         116,0499           Clerical         160,499         -         -         160,499         -         -         160,499           Solicitor         67.734         -         -         67.734         -         -         67.734           Policic Solicitor         1313,256         -         -         1,313,256         -         -         1,313,256           Fire         -         58,764         99,154         157,918         10,63,163           Public Works         -         -         61,541         -         -         61,541           Library         61,541         -         -         61,541         -         -         61,541           Park and Pool         394,730         461,000         -         285,730         -         52,059         -         -         52,059         -         -         52,059         -         -         52,059         -         -         52,059         -         -         52,059         -         -         -         -	Total Revenues Received		4,594,664		446,993		375,349		5,417,006
Mayor and Council         16,320         -         -         116,320           Managerial         114,998         -         -         114,998           Clerical         160,499         -         -         160,499           Solicitor         67,734         -         -         67,734           General Covernment         315,138         97,732         -         412,870           Public Safety         1,313,256         -         -         1,313,256           Price         -         58,764         99,154         157,918           Public Works         -         -         61,541         -         -         61,541           Ulture and Recreation         -         -         61,541         -         -         61,541           Ulture and Pool         394,730         461,000         -         855,730           Debt Service         -         -         -         77,706         -         -         77,706           Principal         77,706         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -	EXPENDITURES PAID								
Managerial         114,903         -         -         114,003           Clerical         160,499         -         -         160,499           Solicitor         67,734         -         -         67,734           General Covernment         315,133         97,732         -         412,870           Public Safely         -         -         58,764         99,154         157,918           Public Works         -         -         58,764         99,154         157,918           Public Works         -         -         61,541         -         -         61,541           Cuture and Recreation         -         -         61,541         -         -         61,541           Dath Service         -         -         77,706         -         -         77,706           Interest         52,059         -         -         52,059         -         -         20,936         5,291,140           Excess (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -	General Government								
Managerial         114,903         -         -         114,003           Clerical         160,499         -         -         160,499           Solicitor         67,734         -         -         67,734           General Covernment         315,133         97,732         -         412,870           Public Safely         -         -         58,764         99,154         157,918           Public Works         -         -         58,764         99,154         157,918           Public Works         -         -         61,541         -         -         61,541           Cuture and Recreation         -         -         61,541         -         -         61,541           Dath Service         -         -         77,706         -         -         77,706           Interest         52,059         -         -         52,059         -         -         20,936         5,291,140           Excess (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -         -	Mayor and Council		16,320		-		-		16,320
Clerical         160.499         -         -         160.499           Solicitor         67.734         -         -         67.734           General Government         315.138         97.732         -         412.870           Public Safety         -         58.764         99.154         157.918           Public Works         -         58.764         99.154         157.918           Public Works         -         583.185         299.596         170.382         1.063.163           Cuture and Recreation         -         61.541         -         -         61.541           Library         61.541         -         -         61.541           Park and Pool         394.730         461.000         -         855.763           Debt Service         -         -         77.706         -         -           Principal         77.706         -         -         -         -           Interest         52.059         -         -         52.059         -         -         -           Cottagenetitures Paid         4.104.512         917.092         289.536         5.291.140           Excess (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED         -         -	-				-		-		
Solicitor         67,734         -         -         67,734           General Government         315,133         97,732         -         412,870           Public Solety         7         -         58,764         99,154         157,918           Public Works         -         58,764         99,154         157,918           Public Works         -         58,764         99,154         157,918           Culture and Recreation         -         58,764         99,154         157,918           Library         61,541         -         -         61,541           Park and Pool         394,730         461,000         -         855,730           Debt Service         -         -         7,706         -         7,7706           Principal         7,706         -         -         7,706           Interest         52,059         -         -         52,059           Contingencies         -         -         -         -           Total Expenditures Paid         4,104,512         917,092         269,536         5,291,140           EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED         -         -         -         -           OVER (UNDER) EXPENDIT	-				-		-		
General Government         315,138         97,732         -         412,870           Public Safety         -					-		-		
Public Safety Police         1,313,256         -         -         1,313,256           Fire         58,764         99,154         157,918           Public Works         583,185         299,596         170,382         1,053,163           Culture and Recreation         1         1         -         61,541         -         -         61,541           Park and Pool         394,730         461,000         -         855,730           Debt Service         -         -         77,706         -         -         77,706           Interest         52,059         -         -         52,059         -         -         20,059           Contingencies         -					97,732		-		
Police         1.313,256         -         -         1.313,256           Fire         -         58,764         99,154         157,918           Highways and Streets         583,185         299,596         170,382         1,053,163           Culture and Recreation         61,541         -         -         61,541           Park and Pool         394,730         461,000         -         855,730           Debt Service         -         -         -         77,706           Principal         77,706         -         -         77,706           Interest         52,059         -         -         -           Contingencies         -         -         -         -           Total Expenditures Paid         4,104,512         917,092         269,536         5,291,140           EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED         490,152         (470,099)         105,813         125,866           OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)         -         -         -         -         -           Proceeds from issuance of debt         -         -         -         -         -           Net transfers in (out)         54,383         548,410         (604,255)         (1,462)			0.0,100		01,102				
Fire       -       58,764       99,154       157,918         Public Works       Highways and Streets       583,185       299,596       170,382       1,053,163         Culture and Recreation       61,541       -       -       61,541         Park and Pool       394,730       461,000       -       855,730         Debt Service       -       -       77,706       -       -         Principal       77,706       -       -       52,059       -       -       -         Contingencies       -       -       -       947,436       -	-		1,313,256		-		-		1.313.256
Public Works         1000000000000000000000000000000000000			-		58 764		99 154		
Highways and Streets         583,185         299,596         170,382         1,053,163           Culture and Recreation         Library         61,541         -         -         61,541           Park and Pool         394,730         461,000         -         855,730           Debt Service         77,706         -         -         77,706           Principal         77,706         -         -         -           Interest         52,059         -         -         52,059           Confingencies         -         -         -         -           Employee Benefits/Taxes         947,436         -         -         -           OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES PAID         490,152         (470,099)         105,813         125,866           OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)         -         -         -         -         -           Proceeds from issuance of debt         -         -         -         -         -           Net transfers in (out)         54,383         548,410         (604,255)         (1,462)           EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED AND         -         -         -         -           OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (Uses), Net         54,383         548,4					50,704		33,134		157,510
Culture and Recreation       61,541       -       -       61,541         Library       61,541       -       -       61,541         Park and Pool       394,730       461,000       -       855,730         Debt Service       -       -       -       77,706       -       77,706         Principal       77,706       -       -       77,706       -       -       52,059       -       -       52,059       -			583 185		299 596		170 382		1 053 163
Library       61,541       -       -       61,541         Park and Pool       394,730       461,000       -       855,730         Debt Service       77,706       -       -       77,706         Principal       77,706       -       -       52,059         Contingencies       -       -       947,436       -       -         Employee Benefits/Taxes       947,436       -       -       947,436         Total Expenditures Paid       4,104,512       917,092       269,536       5,291,140         EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED       490,152       (470,099)       105,813       125,866         OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)       -       -       -       -         Proceeds from issuance of debt       -       -       -       -         Net transfers in (out)       54,383       548,410       (604,255)       (1,462)         EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES), Net       54,383       548,410       (604,255)       (1,462)         EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)       544,535       78,311       (498,442)       124,404         Fund Balance - January 1, 2023       3,616,723       872,596	5 · ·		000,100		200,000		170,002		1,000,100
Park and Pool       394,730       461,000       -       855,730         Debt Service       77,706       -       -       77,706         Principal       77,706       -       -       52,059         Contingencies       -       -       947,436       -       947,436         Total Expenditures Paid       4,104,512       917,092       269,536       5,291,140         EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED       490,152       (470,099)       105,813       125,866         OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)       -       -       -       -         Proceeds from issuance of debt       -       -       -       -         Net transfers in (out)       54,383       548,410       (604,255)       (1,462)         EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES), Net       54,383       548,410       (604,255)       (1,462)         EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES PAID AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)       544,535       78,311       (498,442)       124,404         Fund Balance - January 1, 2023       3,616,723       3,616,723       872,596       627,830       5,117,149			61 541		_		_		61 5/1
Debt Service       Principal       77,706       -       77,706         Interest       52,059       -       52,059         Contingencies       947,436       -       947,436         Employee Benefits/Taxes       947,436       -       947,436         Total Expenditures Paid       4,104,512       917,092       269,536       5,291,140         EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED       490,152       (470,099)       105,813       125,866         OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)       -       -       -       -         Proceeds from issuance of debt       -       -       -       -         Net transfers in (out)       54,383       548,410       (604,255)       (1,462)         Total Other Financing Sources (Uses), Net       54,383       548,410       (604,255)       (1,462)         EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED AND       -       -       -       -         OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)       544,535       78,311       (498,442)       124,404         Fund Balance - January 1, 2023       3,616,723       872,596       627,830       5,117,149					-		-		
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	EXPENDITURES PAID AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		544,535		78,311		(498,442)		124,404
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	Fund Balance - December 31, 2023	\$	4,161,258	\$	950,907	\$	129,388	\$	5,241,553

## BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES RECEIVED, EXPENDITURES PAID AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – MODIFIED CASH BASIS OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES – MODIFIED CASH BASIS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

Net changes in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 124,404
Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
The governmental funds report debt proceeds as financing sources, while repayment of debt principal is reported as an expenditure. In the statement of net position - modified cash basis, however, issuing debt increases long term liabilities and does not affect the statement of activities and repayment of principal reduces the liability. The net effect of these differences in the treatment of long-term debt is as follows:	
Principal repayments of long-term debt	 77,706
Net change in net position - governmental activities	\$ 202,110

## BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN STATEMENT OF NET POSITION – MODIFIED CASH BASIS PROPRIETARY FUND DECEMBER 31, 2023

	 nterprise Fund anitation Fund
ASSETS	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 321,464
Total Assets	\$ 321,464
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	
Total Liabilities	\$ -
NET POSITION	
Unrestricted	 321,464
Total Net Position	 321,464
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 321,464

## BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN STATEMENT OF REVENUES RECEIVED, EXPENSES PAID AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION – MODIFIED CASH BASIS PROPRIETARY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

		nitation Fund
OPERATING REVENUES RECEIVED	-	
Refuse Collections	\$	640,229
Recycling		313,076
Licenses and Permits		3,386
Total Operating Revenues Received		956,691
OPERATING EXPENSES PAID		
Personnel		476,632
Contracted Services		394,068
Repairs, Maintenance and Supplies		38,459
General Government		35,043
Total Operating Expenses Paid		944,202
EXCESS OF REVENUES RECEIVED OVER EXPENSES PAID		12,489
Other Financing Sources (Uses)		
Operating Transfers In		1,462
Operating Transfers Out		-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		1,462
EXCESS OF EXPENSES PAID OVER REVENUES RECEIVED AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		13,951
NET POSITION - JANUARY 1, 2023		307,513
NET POSITION - DECEMBER 31, 2023	\$	321,464

## BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS – MODIFIED CASH BASIS PROPRIETARY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	S	Sanitation Fund
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Cash Received from Customers Cash Payment to Suppliers for Goods and Services Cash Payments to Employees for Services	\$	956,691 (467,570) (476,632)
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		12,489
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES: Operating Transfers Out		1,462
Net Cash Used by Noncapital Financing Activities		1,462
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents		13,951
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, JANUARY 1		307,513
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, DECEMBER 31	\$	321,464
Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided for Operating Activities		
Operating Income	\$	12,489
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$	12,489

## BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN STATEMENT OF NET POSITION – MODIFIED CASH BASIS ALL FIDUCIARY FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2023

	 nponent Unit Pension Trust Fund	-	ustodial Funds	Fidu	Total Iciary Funds
ASSETS Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 77,746	\$	85,473	\$	163,219
Investments at Fair Value U.S. Government Obligations Balanced Funds/Fixed Income International Bonds Corporate Bonds	1,085,404 1,238,467 98,296 473,704		-		1,085,404 1,238,467 98,296 473,704
Mutual Funds Domestic Stocks	2,433,137 1,860,348		-		2,433,137 1,860,348
Total Investments, at Fair Value	 7,189,356		-		7,189,356
Total Assets	\$ 7,267,102	\$	85,473	\$	7,352,575
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION					
Liabilities Due to Depositors	\$ 	\$	85,473	\$	85,473
Total Liabilities	 -		85,473		85,473
Net Position Restricted	 7,267,102				7,267,102
Total Net Position Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 7,267,102	\$	- 85,473	\$	7,267,102

## BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION – MODIFIED CASH BASIS ALL FIDUCIARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	 nponent Unit Pension rust Fund	n <u>it</u> Custodial Funds		Tot	al Fiduciary Funds
ADDITIONS					
Contributions:					
Fees Collected	\$ -	\$	25,467	\$	25,467
Employee	42,337		-		42,337
State Aid	 16,286		-		16,286
Total Contributions	 58,623		25,467		84,090
DEDUCTIONS					
Investment Income					
Interest	44,940		-		44,940
Dividends	160,285		-		160,285
Realized Capital Gains	105,799		-		105,799
Net Depreciation in Fair Value of Investments	 716,213		-		716,213
Total Investment Income (Loss)	1,027,237		-		1,027,237
Investment Expenses	 (46,561)		-		(46,561)
Net Investment Income (Loss)	 980,676		-		980,676
Benefits	336,150		-		336,150
Administrative Expenses	4,245		-		4,245
Other Payments/Transfers	 -		25,467		25,467
Total Deductions	 340,395		25,467		365,862
NET DECREASE IN NET POSITION	698,904		-		698,904
Net Position January 1, 2023	 6,568,198		-		6,568,198
Net Position December 31, 2023	\$ 7,267,102	\$		\$	7,267,102

# NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Borough of Hellertown (the "Borough") have been prepared in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") and is described more fully under Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the authoritative standard-setting body for the establishment of governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of these accounting policies are described below to enhance the usefulness of the financial statements to the reader.

## The Financial Reporting Entity

The Borough of Hellertown was incorporated in 1872 under the provisions of the constitution and general statutes of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ("Commonwealth"). The Borough operates as a council-manager form of government, is located in Northampton County, and provides a full range of services, including public safety, roads, sanitation, recreation, and general government services, to its approximately 6,000 residents.

Factors considered in determining whether a governmental unit should be included in the Borough's financial statements include financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations and accountability for fiscal matters.

The Borough's Police Pension Plan is operated by a Board of Trustees appointed by the Borough. The Police Pension Plan is a separate entity which is included in the Borough's financial statements as a blended component unit due to the financial burden that is placed on the Borough through its operation.

The financial statements of the Borough of Hellertown do not include the financial activities of the Hellertown Borough Authority (the "Authority"), which provides water and sewer services to the residents of Hellertown. The Borough's financial statements do not include the Authority as a component unit for the following reasons:

- The Hellertown Borough Authority is a separate political entity established under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- Although the Borough Council appoints the Hellertown Borough Authority's Board, it operates autonomously from the Borough government.
- The Borough has no legal or moral responsibility for the debt of the Authority.
- The Authority does not impose a financial benefit or burden on the Borough.

## **Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting**

The accounts of the Borough are organized on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, net position, revenues, expenditures, and other financing sources and uses. The various funds are summarized by type in the financial statements. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

For financial reporting purposes, the Borough's funds have been grouped by fund type and are presented in this report in the following manner:

#### Governmental Fund Types

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Borough are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of the Borough's expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for through the following governmental funds:

# NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

## Governmental Fund Types (Continued)

#### Major Funds:

- **General Fund** is used to account for all financial transactions applicable to the general operations of the Borough except for those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- **Capital Projects Funds** are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities. The Regular and Special Capital Projects Funds are included in the accompanying financial statements as Capital Projects Funds.

#### Nonmajor Funds:

• **Special Revenue Funds** - are used to account for proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than special assessments, expendable trusts, or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. The following are special revenue fund types:

*Liquid Fuels Tax Fund* - is utilized to account for the financial activity of the Borough's motor vehicle fuel tax allocation from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

*Fire Protection Fund* - is utilized to account for the financial activity of the Borough's fire tax revenue and its related expenditures.

*American Rescue Plan Fund* – is utilized to account for financial activity from the American Rescue Plan revenue and related expenditures.

#### Proprietary Fund Types

Proprietary funds are used to account for the Borough's ongoing activities that are similar to those often found in the private sector. The measurement focus is based upon the determination of net income. The Borough has one type of proprietary fund - the Enterprise Fund - described below.

- **Enterprise Fund** is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges, or where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred and/or net income are appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes. The Borough has one Major Enterprise Fund described below.
  - Sanitation Fund is used to account for the administration of the collection and disposal of municipal waste and recyclable materials in the Borough, is operated in a manner similar to a private business enterprise, and is intended to be self-supporting.

#### Fiduciary Fund Types

Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held by the Borough in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governmental units and/or other funds. The following are the Borough's fiduciary fund types:

# NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

## Fiduciary Fund Types (Continued)

- **Custodial Funds** are used to account for funds held in escrow for other parties. The Funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operation.
  - Escrow Funds are used to account for monies paid by developers and/or land owners which are held in escrow for the purpose of reimbursing the Borough for any and all expenses, fees and charges incurred by the Borough in connection with land development, subdivision and property improvements located in the Borough of Hellertown.
- **Pension Trust Fund** is used to account for pension benefits for police. The Police Pension Plan is a blended component unit of the Borough of Hellertown. The principal revenue sources for these funds are state aid, employer and employee contributions, and investment earnings. The Borough of Hellertown has the following pension trust fund:
  - **Police Pension Fund** is used to account for pension benefits for police officers.

## Basis of Accounting and Management Focus

## Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to the timing of recognition of revenues and expenditures or expenses in the financial statements regardless of the measurement focus. The modified cash basis of accounting is followed for all governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary funds of the Borough. The modified cash basis differs from GAAP in that certain revenues and the related assets are recognized when received rather than when earned and certain expenditures or expenses are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Modifications to the cash basis of accounting include (1) the recording of payroll withholdings when withheld from employees' pay, (2) the recording of investments held (in the Pension Trust Funds) as assets at fair value, (3) reporting long-term debt, (4) Other Receivables, (5) custodial funds held in escrow due to developers and reported as liabilities and (6) net unrealized gains and losses on investments are recorded as a result of changes in the fair value of investments, not when the investments are sold. The Statement of Revenues Received, Expenditures Paid and Changes in Fund Balance - Modified Cash Basis - Governmental Funds presents the results of the Borough's activities; it does not purport to present the net income or loss for the period.

#### Measurement Focus

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. Governmental fund types are accounted for on a spending or "financial flow" measurement focus. This means the Borough has elected to report on a modified cash basis while reporting long-term indebtedness in the Government-Wide Financial Statements. Governmental fund-type operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

Proprietary funds are accounted for on a cost of services or "capital maintenance" measurement focus. This means that all assets and liabilities (whether current or non-current) associated with this activity are included on their statements of assets, liabilities, and net position. The reported fund equity reported as unrestricted net position. Proprietary fund-type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net position.

## NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Measurement Focus (Continued)

The Pension Trust Fund uses "income determination" as its measurement focus. Plan member contributions and employer contributions (including the portion, if any, funded by State Aid) are recognized in the period in which contributions are paid. Benefits and refunds are recognized when paid in accordance with the terms of each plan.

## **Budgetary Process**

The Borough follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- Prior to October 1, the Borough Manager meets with all Department Heads.
- Department Heads submit a proposed operating budget for the fiscal year commencing the following January 1.
- The Operating budget includes the proposed expenditures.
- The Borough Manager and Finance Manager meet to determine proposed revenue for the fiscal year commencing January 1.
- Capital budgets are updated at this time.
- The proposed budget is compiled and submitted to Borough Council for review and discussion. A number of public meetings are scheduled to obtain taxpayer comment.
- Prior to December 31, the budget is legally enacted through a majority vote of Borough Council. An ordinance establishing the tax rate for the year was simultaneously voted on.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Borough's cash and cash equivalents are comprised of cash on hand, demand deposits with financial institutions, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less as of the date of acquisition. See Note 3 for additional disclosures.

#### **Restricted Assets**

Restricted assets are comprised of cash held in escrow for property improvements, subdivision, and land development.

#### Encumbrances

Net position of the Governmental Fund Types may be reserved for encumbrances. Encumbrances, which represent commitments for goods and services not yet received, are reported as a reservation of net position and are not otherwise available for appropriation. All encumbrances lapsed at the end of the year. Accordingly, there was no net position reserved for encumbrances as of December 31, 2023.

## NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Government – Wide Fiduciary and Proprietary Fund Net Position

Net Position is divided into two components:

- 1. Restricted consist of assets that are restricted by the Borough's creditors (for example, through debt covenants), by the state enabling legislation (through restrictions on shared revenues), by grantors (both federal and state), and by other contributors.
- 2. Unrestricted all other net position is reported in this category.

#### **Governmental Fund Balances**

In the Governmental Fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as follows:

- 1. Restricted amounts that can only be spent for specific purposes because of constitutional provisions, legislation, or constraints that are externally imposed.
- 2. Committed amounts that can only be used for specific purposes determined by formal action of the Council.
- 3. Assigned amounts that are designated for a particular purpose but are not spendable until a budget ordinance is passed or there is a majority vote approval by Borough Council.
- 4. Unassigned all amounts not included in other spendable classifications

The restricted fund balances consisted of the Liquid Fuels Special Revenue Fund for \$11,487 and \$117,901 for the Fire Protection Special Revenue Fund. The Committed Fund Balance of \$519,642 and the Assigned Fund Balance of \$431,265 are included in the Capital Projects Fund, which are set aside for capital purposes and fire protection, respectively.

When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available, it is the Borough's policy to use restricted fund balance first, followed by unrestricted fund balance. When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which committed, assigned or unassigned amounts are available, it is the Borough's policy to use committed first, then assigned and then finally unassigned.

#### Interfund Transactions

Certain interfund transactions are accounted for as revenues and expenditures or expenses. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures or expenses initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund are recorded as expenditures or expenses in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures or expenses in the fund that is reimbursed.

Other interfund transactions are reported as transfers. Nonrecurring or nonroutine permanent transfers of net position are reported as residual transfers of net position. All other interfund transfers are reported as operating transfers.

# NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Management Estimates

The preparation of financial statements prepared with the modified cash basis of accounting requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### NOTE 2 NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The Borough's budget is prepared on the modified cash basis of accounting and includes appropriations to cover anticipated current encumbrances. The Borough Council approves budgets, which contain estimated revenues adequate to fully fund appropriations. Appropriations not reserved for encumbrances lapse at year end. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund and two Special Revenue Funds.

The Statements of Revenues Received, Expenditures Paid and Changes in Fund Balance - Modified Cash Basis - Budget and Actual present comparisons of legally adopted budgets with actual data. The budget has been prepared on the modified cash basis, which is the same basis of accounting used to prepare the financial statements as described more fully in Note 1. The Borough Council approves by a motion the total appropriations in the budget. Fund Balance and any revisions to the budget also require approval by Borough Council. There were no amendments to the budget as presented in the current year.

#### NOTE 3 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

#### General

Pennsylvania statutes provide for investment of governmental funds into certain authorized investment types including U.S. Treasury bills, other short-term U.S. and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania government obligations, and insured or collateralized time deposits and certificates of deposit. The statutes do not prescribe regulations related to demand deposits; however, they do allow the pooling of governmental funds for investment purposes.

The deposit and investment policy of the Borough adheres to the statutes of the Commonwealth. Deposits of the Borough, except for Pension Trust Fund deposits that are administered by trustees, are either maintained in demand deposits or are held in bank money market accounts. There were no deposit or investment transactions during the year that were in violation of either the Commonwealth's statutes or the policy of the Borough.

#### Cash (Cash on Hand and Bank Balances)

At December 31, 2023, the carrying amount of the Borough's bank deposits (excluding those held in the Pension Trust Funds, but including Custodial Funds) totaled \$5,648,402 and the corresponding bank balances were \$5,807,681, of which \$250,000 was insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"); the uninsured bank balance of \$5,557,681 was collateralized, as described below.

# NOTE 3 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

## Cash (Cash on Hand and Bank Balances) (Continued)

Under Act No. 72 of the 1972 Session of the Pennsylvania General Assembly (the "Act of 72"), financial institutions were granted the authority to secure the deposits of the public bodies by pledging a pool of assets, as defined in the Act of 72, to cover all public funds deposited in excess of the FDIC limits. The uninsured bank balances (as defined by Statement No. 3 of the GASB) of the Borough in the amount of \$5,557,681, were collateralized by this pool of assets maintained by the Borough's depository institutions.

In addition, the Borough included in cash, amounts held on hand in petty cash. At December 31, 2023, the petty cash balance was \$984.

#### NOTE 4 INVESTMENTS

Under Section 1316 of the Pennsylvania Borough Code, the Borough is authorized to invest in United States Treasury Bills, short-term obligations of the U.S. Government or its agencies or instrumentalities, obligations of the U.S. Government or any of its agencies or instrumentalities backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any of its agencies or instrumentalities backed by the full faith and credit of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any of its agencies or instrumentalities backed by the full faith and credit of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any of its agencies or instrumentalities backed by the full faith and credit of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any of its agencies or instrumentalities backed by the full faith and credit of the political subdivision, shares of an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, whose shares are registered under the Securities Act of 1933, provided that the only investments of that company are in the authorized investments for Borough funds listed above and certificates of deposit purchased from institutions insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or similar agencies to the extent that such accounts are so insured. Investments of pension trust funds are placed pursuant to guidelines established by the respective pension boards.

As of December 31, 2023, the Borough had the following investments:

Investment	Maturities	 Fair Value
Pension Trust Funds		
U.S. Government Obligations	2025-2033	\$ 1,085,404
Balanced Funds/Fixed Income		1,238,467
International Bonds	2024-2030	98,296
Corporate Bonds	2025-2032	473,704
Mutual Funds		2,433,137
Domestic Stocks		 1,860,348
Total Pension Trust Funds		\$ 7,189,356

#### Fair Value Measurement

The Borough reports all investments at fair value. Fair value is the closing price reported on the active market in which the individual securities are traded.

## NOTE 4 INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

The Borough categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. GASB Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*, sets forth the framework for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets of liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

Level 1 – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Borough has the ability to access.

Level 2 – Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted market prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets in active markets; inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; or inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 – Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

All Borough Pension Trust Funds investments are classified as Level 1 measurements; quoted prices in active markets for identical assets.

#### Interest Rate Risk

The Borough has no formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

#### Credit Risk

The Borough has no investment policy that would limit its investment choices to certain credit ratings. The Borough's Police Pension Plan's investment in fixed income funds were rated by Moody's as follows:

	Police Pension Plan Fixed Income Credit Ratings	Fair Value of Investments		
-	Aaa	_	\$	1,085,404
	Aa-			8,350
	A+			19,182
	A			45,029
	A-			217,251
	Bbb+			147,071
	Bbb			91,634
	Not Rated			43,483

# NOTE 4 INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

#### Concentration of Credit Risk

The Borough places limits on the amount the Borough may invest in any one issuer. Currently the Borough does not have any investments not included in the Pension Trust Funds. The following individual investments represented over 5% of total trust fund investments for each pension plan:

Police Pension Plan:

Vanguard Value Index Fund Admiral Cl. Vanguard Instl Index Fd-94

#### Custodial Credit Risk

For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in event of the failure of the counterparty, the Borough will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral security that are in the possession of any outside party. The Borough has no investments subject to custodial credit risk.

At December 31, 2023, the Borough had the following debt instruments and maturities in its Police Pension Plan.

	Average Maturities (In Years)							
	Less than 1		1-5		6-10			Total
U.S. Government Obligations	\$	-	\$	915,155	\$	170,249	\$	1,085,404
International Bonds		29,842		49,272		19,182		98,296
Corporate Bonds		-		304,739		168,965		473,704
	\$	29,842	<b>\$</b> 1	1,269,166	\$	358,396	\$	1,657,404

## NOTE 5 NOTES PAYABLE

The Borough of Hellertown issued a General Obligation Note Series of 2022 to finance the Borough's new public works building and refunding of the Borough's General Obligation Note Series of 2012. The Borough refinanced its General Obligation Notes Series of 2012 and borrowed an additional \$776,605 (drawn down on April 8, 2022), bringing the total outstanding balance on the new note to \$2,000,000.

A description of the terms of the Borough's long-term debt obligation ("Note") and the balance outstanding at December 31, 2023 is presented below.

Notes Payable: General Obligation Notes	Balance Outstanding January 1, 2023 Additions Reductions [				Balance Outstanding December 31, 2023			Due Within One Year	
General Obligation Note 2022, fixed annual interest rate of 2.72% for 20 years, due April 2042 with monthly principal and interest insallments of \$10,814.	\$ 1,949,357	\$	-	\$	(77,706)	\$	1,871,651	\$	79,846
Total General Obligation Notes	\$ 1,949,357	\$	-	\$	(77,706)	\$	1,871,651	\$	79,846

# NOTE 5 NOTES PAYABLE (CONTINUED)

The annual debt service requirements to maturity for note payable as of December 31, 2023 is as follows:

Years ending December 31:	 Principal		Interest		Total
2024	\$ 79,846	\$	49,918	\$	129,764
2025	82,045		47,719		129,764
2026	84,305		45,459		129,764
2027	86,627		43,137		129,764
2028	89,013		40,751		129,764
2029-2033	483,216		165,607		648,823
2034-2038	553,526		95,297		648,823
2039-2043	 413,073		19,477		432,550
Totals	\$ 1,871,651	\$	507,365	\$	2,379,016

## NOTE 6 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Based upon assessed valuations provided by Northampton County approximating \$132,358,200 in 2023, the Borough bills and collects its own real estate taxes. The schedule for real estate taxes levied for 2023 was as follows:

February 1	- levy date
February 1	- April 5 - 2% discount period
April 6	- June 7 - face payment period
June 8	- March 4, 2024 - 10% penalty period
March 5, 2024	- lien date

The Borough continues to collect delinquent real estate taxes up to the first Monday in March of the following year. At that time, all unpaid real estate taxes are turned over to the County of Northampton Tax Claim Bureau for further collection. The 2023 municipal tax rate for all purposes was 21.50 mils (\$21.50 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation) of which 1.5 mils is allocated for fire protection and the remaining 20.0 mils is allocated for general purposes.

# NOTE 7 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

#### **Compensated Absences**

The Borough of Hellertown has not accrued compensated absences because the Borough has elected to report its financial activities on the modified cash basis of accounting. However, all full-time employees of the Borough are entitled to paid vacation and sick days, depending on their length of service and whether the employee is a uniformed or non-uniformed employee.

Vacation days for all employees begin to accrue one year after the initial date of hire and may not be carried from year to year. Vacation allowances accrue as follows:

# NOTE 7 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (CONTINUED)

## **Compensated Absences (Continued)**

,	Vacation Allowance						
Length of Service	<u>Uniformed</u>	Non-uniformed					
0 days - but less than 1 year	0 davs	0 davs					
1 year - but less than 5 years	96 hours	N/A					
5 years – but less than 11 years	N/A	15 days					
5 years - but less than 10 years	144 hours	N/A					
11 years – but less than 15 years	N/A	17 days					
10 years - but less than 15 years	168 hours	N/A					
15 years – but less than 20 years	192 hours	20 days					
20 years and over	240 hours	25 days					

Sick leave is calculated separately for uniformed and non-uniformed employees. Each uniformed employee is entitled to seven sick days per year. Sick leave "catastrophic days" can be saved from one year to the next, to a maximum of 124 days. Any sick days accumulated in excess of 124 days are lost. Uniformed employees are also entitled to seven non-accruable "sniffle" days per year, a maximum of six unused at year end are compensated for at the then-current base pay rate.

Non-uniformed employees are entitled to twelve non-accruable "sniffle" days per year. Any of these days that are remaining at the beginning of the subsequent year are compensated for at the rate of 50% of the then-current base pay. In addition, each non-uniformed employee is entitled to receive ten catastrophic sick days, accruable to 120 days. Any catastrophic sick days accumulated in excess of 120 days are lost.

#### Insurance

The Borough is exposed to various risks of loss, including workers' compensation; property, casualty, and public official liability; employee benefit administration; employment practice liability; and general liability claims. During the past four calendar years, there have not been any settlements that exceeded insurance coverage. The Borough is contingently liable to the extent any potential future judgment exceeds available insurance coverage. Approximate coverage amounts for significant risk categories are set forth below.

Boiler and Equipment751,056Crime and Dishonesty (Per Employee)100,000Comprehensive General Liability1,000,000- Each Occurrence1,000,000- Aggregate Limit2,000,000
Comprehensive General Liability - Each Occurrence 1,000,000
- Each Occurrence 1,000,000
- Aggregate Limit 2,000,000
Employee Benefits Liability
- Each Claim 1,000,000
- Aggregate Limit 2,000,000
Commercial Auto 1,000,000
Worker's Compensation
- Per Accident 1,000,000
- Per Disease 1,000,000
- Disease Aggregate 1,000,000
Excess Liability (Umbrella) Each Occurrence 10,000,000
Excess Liability (Umbrella) Aggregate Limit 10,000,000
Cyber Liability
- Each Occurrence 1,000,000
- Aggregate Limit 1,000,000

# NOTE 7 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (CONTINUED)

## Federal and State Grants

The Borough receives Federal and State Grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by Federal and State agencies. Such audits could result in a request for reimbursement by the Federal and State agencies for expenditures disallowed under the terms and conditions of the appropriate agency. In the opinion of the Borough's management, such disallowances, if any, will not be significant to the Borough's basic financial statements.

## NOTE 8 PENSION PLANS

The Borough of Hellertown administers two pension plans - the Hellertown Borough Police Pension Plan, a defined benefit plan, and the Hellertown Borough Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan, a defined contribution plan. Separate trustees and investment accounts have been established for each plan. Each plan's assets may be used only for the payment of benefits to the members of that plan, in accordance with the terms of each plan. Additional administrative costs are funded from investment earnings.

#### **Police Pension Plan**

## Plan Description

The Borough of Hellertown Police Pension Plan is a single employer defined benefit pension plan controlled by the provisions of Ordinance 784 adopted pursuant to Act 600. The plan is governed by the Borough of Hellertown which may amend plan provisions, and which is responsible for the management of plan assets. The Borough of Hellertown has delegated the authority to manage certain plan assets to Fulton Financial Advisors.

The Borough of Hellertown filed actuarial valuation report Form 201C with the Public Employee Retirement Commission. The report dated January 1, 2021, was the most recently certified by the municipality's chief administrative officer. This report indicated the municipality maintains a pension plan to provide pension or retirement benefits for uniformed employees. The Borough's Police Pension Plan covers all existing and future full-time or regular members of the police force of the Borough who work for a stated salary or compensation. The pension plan committee consists of: (1) the Vice-president of Council; (2) one active policeman; (3) one retired policeman receiving pension benefits; and (4) two electors of the Borough (neither members of the police force nor individuals receiving pension benefits).

#### **Benefits Provided**

Borough of Hellertown provides normal retirement, early retirement, and disability benefits to plan members and their beneficiaries. Normal retirement benefits are calculated on 50% of members' average monthly compensation during the last 36 months of employment with the Borough when the member obtains the age of 50 and completes 25 years of credited service. In addition, a member shall receive a service increment of \$100 per month for each full year of service in excess of 25 years. The maximum monthly benefit for a service increment shall be \$500 per month. Early retirement benefits are determined based on an actuarial equivalent of the accrued retirement benefit, the member must have completed 20 years of service. Disability retirement benefits are equal to 75% of the salary of the member.

# NOTE 8 PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

## Police Pension Plan (Continued)

## **Benefits Provided (Continued)**

At January 1, 2024, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Retirees and Beneficiaries	10
Active Employees	9
Terminated Employees	2

#### **Contributions**

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Act 205 requires that annual contributions to the plan be based upon the plan's Minimum Municipal Obligation (MMO), which is based on the plan's biennial actuarial valuation. In accordance with the plan's governing document, employees are required to contribute 5.0% of compensation to the plan. The plan may also be eligible to receive an allocation of state aid from the General Municipal Pension System State Aid Program that must be used for pension funding. Any funding requirements established by the MMO in excess of employee contributions and state aid must be paid by the municipality in accordance with Act 205.

Investment expenses, including investment manager and custodial services, are funded through investment earnings. Administrative expenses, including actuarial and consultant services, are funded through investment earnings and/or contributions.

#### Net Pension Liability

The Borough's net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2021, and rolled forward to the reporting date using the following significant actuarial assumptions applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Salary Increases:	5.0% compounded annually
Investment Return:	7.0% per annum, net of investment expenses

The actuarial assumptions used in the January 1, 2023 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023. In addition, mortality rates were based on the PubS-2010 Mortality Table projected 5 years past the valuation date using Scale MP-2021.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a buildingblock method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation of 2.47%) 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 allocation percentage any by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2023 are summarized in the following table:

# NOTE 8 PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

## Police Pension Plan (Continued)

## Net Pension Liability (Continued)

Asset Class	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return <sup>1</sup>	Asset Class	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return		
Domestic Equity Large Cap Mid Cap Small Cap	6.20% 7.25% 7.25%	International Equity Fixed Income Real Estate Cash	6.91% 3.51% 5.01% 0.76%		

<sup>1</sup>The Long-Term Expected Real Rates of Return are based on the 2023 Horizon Survey.

#### Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that municipal contributions will be at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the Fund's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

#### Changes in Net Position Liability

The following table shows the changes in net pension liability recognized over the measurement period:

	Increase/(Decrease)					
	Total Pension Liability (a)		Plan Fiduciary Net Position (b)		Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a)-(b)	
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$	6,673,985	\$	6,583,671	\$	90,314
Changes for the Year:				<u> </u>		· · · · ·
Service Cost		181,746		-		181,746
Interest		472,863		-		472,863
Changes in Benefit Terms		76,666		-		76,666
Differences Between Expected						
and Actual Experience		(9,297)		-		(9,297)
Changes in Assumptions		-		-		-
Contributions - Employer		-		3,632		(3,632)
Contributions - State Aid		-		16,286		(16,286)
Contributions - Member		-		42,337		(42,337)
Net Investment Income		-		987,560		(987,560)
Benefit Payments		(335,821)		(335,821)		-
Administrative Expense		-		(7,385)		7,385
Other Charges		-		-		-
		386,157		706,609		(320,452)
Balance at December 31, 2023	\$	7,060,142	\$	7,290,280	\$	(230,138)

NOTE: This schedule was prepared on the accrual basis of accounting, not on the modified cash basis of accounting used for financial reporting purposes.

# NOTE 8 PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

#### Police Pension Plan (Continued)

#### Sensitivity of the Net Pension Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following is a sensitivity analysis of the net pension asset to changes in the discount rate. The table below presents the net pension asset calculated using the discount rate of 7% as well as what the net pension asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (6%) or 1 percentage point higher (8%) than the current rate:

				Current			
	1%	Decrease	Dis	count Rate	1% Increase		
		6.00%		7.00%	8.00%		
Net Pension (Asset) Liability	\$	643,289	\$	(230,138)	\$	(959,732)	

#### Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the Plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Borough of Hellertown's Retirement Plan financial report.

#### Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources

For the year ended December 31, 2023, if the financial statements were issued in accordance with GAAP, the Borough would recognize pension expense of \$154,391. At December 31, 2023, the Borough would report deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Ou	Deferred utflows of esources	Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$	-	\$	(129,104)		
Changes in Assumptions		47,829		-		
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments		333,355				
Total	\$	381,184	\$	(129,104)		

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions would be recognized in pension expense under GAAP as follows:

Years Ended December 31,	
2024	\$ 35,741
2025	112,371
2026	214,772
2027	(109,257)
2028	(1,547)
Thereafter	-

# NOTE 8 PENSION PLANS (CONTINUED)

# Police Pension Plan (Continued)

# Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources (Continued)

Financial information of the Police Pension Plan is presented on the modified cash basis of accounting. Plan member contributions are employer contributions (including the portion, if any, funded by State Aid) are recognized in the period in which the contributions are received rather than when they are due. Benefits and refunds are recognized when paid rather than when the liability is incurred. During 2023, the Borough paid \$16,286 to fund the Police Pension Plan from State Aid.

# Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan

The Borough of Hellertown established a pension plan effective January 1, 1992, entitled Hellertown Borough Non-Uniformed Employees' Pension Plan (the "NUEPP"). The NUEPP covers all existing and future full-time non-uniformed salaried and management employees of the Borough. This single employer defined contribution plan is administered by the International City Management Association Retirement Corporation in the form of a Money Purchase Plan and Trust. The NUEPP provides for normal retirement benefits at age 65 under authority of Act 205.

The contribution requirements established by the Money Purchase Plan and Trust Agreement adopted by the Borough are as follows:

- The Borough shall contribute \$2,000 on behalf of each participant for each plan year.
- Each participant is required to contribute to the NUEPP as a condition of participation; however, the Borough has elected to "pick up" the mandatory participant contributions in accordance with Internal Revenue Service Code Section 414(h)(2).
- Each participant may make voluntary, after-tax contributions.

The NUEPP is eligible to receive an allocation of state aid from the General Municipal Pension System State Aid Program, which must be used for pension funding. The Borough, in accordance with Act 205, must contribute any funding requirements that exceed state aid. During the year ended December 31, 2023, employee contributions amounted to \$37,946 and employer funding requirements for 2023 amounted to \$28,000, of which \$28,000 was funded from State Aid.

Employee contributions vest immediately. Employer contributions vest in accordance with the following schedule:

Years of	Percent
Service	Vested
1	0%
2	0%
3	20%
4	40%
5	60%
6	80%
7	100%

# NOTE 9 POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS

# Plan Description

The Borough of Hellertown administers a single employer defined benefit healthcare plan. All full-time uniformed and non-uniformed employees, employees who retire from the Borough are eligible to receive these benefits. The Retiree Health Plan does not issue a publicly available financial report.

### Benefits Provided

The benefit provisions and obligations to contribute are established in accordance with separate employee contracts. In accordance with the employee contracts, the Borough's obligation for payment of health insurance coverage premiums is \$350 per month towards the cost of retiree medical and prescription drug coverage for non-uniform employees. For retirees in prior years, payments are as follows: \$250 per month for uniformed employees retiring between January 1, 2002 and December 31, 2004, \$350 per month for uniformed employees retiring in 2005, \$450 per month for uniformed employees retiring in 2006, \$550 per month for uniformed employees retiring in 2007, and \$660 per month for uniformed employees retiring in 2008 or later. The above uniformed retiree payments shall cease upon the retiree reaching eligible Medicare age. Coverage must be purchased through the Borough in order to be eligible for the Borough's contribution. If the employee retired on or before December 31, 2015, coverage is provided for the life of the retiree. If retired on or after December 31, 2015, coverage ends on December 31, 2022. The retirees are obligated to absorb any and all monthly premium costs in excess of Borough contributions. Currently, the Borough pays the monthly health insurance premiums for each participant and is reimbursed by each retiree for an amount the Borough's contribution does not exceed those listed above. As of December 31, 2023, thirteen retirees are eligible and receiving these benefits. The health care benefits cover retired employees only: however, the retirees have the option to continue coverage for their spouses at their own expense.

# Plan Membership

At December 31, 2023, the Plan's membership consisted of the following:

Plan Participants	25
Inactive Plan Members Entitled to But Not Yet Receiving Benefits	-
Inactive Plan Members, or Beneficiaries Currently Receiving Benefits	13
Total	38_

# **Contributions**

The Borough contributes to the cost of current-year premiums for eligible retired plan members as described above. The Borough is not currently making contributions to a qualified trust.

#### Net OPEB Liability

The Borough's total OPEB liability of \$3,067,342 was measured as of December 31, 2023, and was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2023.

# NOTE 9 POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (CONTINUED)

## Actuarial assumptions and other inputs

The total OPEB liability in the January 1, 2023 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

Investment Rate of Return: Actuarial Funding Method Inflation: Salary Increases: Discount Rate: Healthcare cost trend rates:	There are no invested assets. Entry Age Cost Method 2.47% 5% compounded annually. 4.00% a. Non-Medicare Medical and prescription drug costs are assumed to increase by 5.80% during 2022, 8.5% during 2023-2024 reduced by 0.60% - 0.55% per year thereafter to an ultimate level of 4.25% per year. b. Medicare Medical and prescription drug costs are assumed to increase by 1.74% during 2022, 5.75% during 2023-2024 reduced by 0.20% per year thereafter to an ultimate level of 4.25% per year.
Mortality:	2010 Public Safety Amount Based Mortality Tables for Males and Females projected to 2025 using MP-2021 for Police. 2010 Public General Amount Based Mortality Tables for Males and Females projected to 2025 using Table MP-2021 for Non-Uniform and At-Will Groups.
Participation Rate:	100% of retirees who are eligible to participate are assumed to do so. 80% of police retirees are assumed to have a spouse participating in the coverage. 60% of future non-uniformed and at-will retirees are assumed to have a spouse participating in coverage.
Age:	Female spouses of future retirees are assumed to be 3 years younger than male spouses.

The discount rate was based on the S&P 20 Year municipal bond rate.

An actuarial valuation of the total OPEB liability is performed biennially. The total OPEB liability was determined as part of an actuarial valuation at January 1, 2023. Update procedures were used to roll forward to the Borough's fiscal year ended December 31, 2023.

# Changes in the Net OPEB Liability

Changes in the Borough's net OPEB liability for the plan for the year ended December 31, 2023 were as follows:

	Increase/Decrease							
	Total OPEB	Plan Fiduciary	Net OPEB					
	Liability	Net Position	Liability					
	(a)	(b)	(a)-(b)					
Balances at 1/1/2023	\$ 2,903,130	) \$ -	\$ 2,903,130					
Changes for the year:								
Service Cost	117,649	) -	117,649					
Interest	126,617	-	126,617					
Changes in Benefit Terms		· -	-					
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience			_					
Changes in Assumptions & Cost Method	87,779		87,779					
Contributions - Employer	01,113	. 167,833	(167,833)					
Contributions - Other			(107,000)					
Net Investment Income		- -	_					
Benefit Payments	(167,833	3) (167,833)	-					
Administrative Expense	· · ·	· -	-					
Other Charges		. <u>-</u>	-					
Net Charges	164,212	2 -	164,212					
Balances at 12/31/2023	\$ 3,067,342		\$ 3,067,342					

# NOTE 9 POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS (CONTINUED)

# Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rates

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

		Curi	rent Discount		
	1% Decrease		Rate	1	% Increase
	 3.00%		4.00%		5.00%
12/31/2023 Net OPEB Liability	\$ 3,374,645	\$	3,067,342	\$	2,795,719

# Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trends Rates

The following presents the net OPEB liability of the Borough, as well as what the Borough's net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are 1-percentage point lower or 1-percentage point higher than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	Current Trend							
	1% Decrease		Rates	19	1% Increase			
12/31/2023 Net OPEB Liability	\$ 2,821,248	\$	3,067,342	\$	3,359,171			

# NOTE 10 EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES OVER APPROPRIATIONS

For the year ended December 31, 2023, expenditures exceeded appropriations in the General Fund department levels (the legal level of budgetary control) in General Government (\$156,866). The excess expenditures were funded by the available fund balance.

# NOTE 11 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

In preparing these financial statements, the Borough has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through June 27, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and has determined that no additional material subsequent events exist that require disclosure.

# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN STATEMENT OF REVENUE RECEIVED, EXPENDITURES PAID AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – MODIFIED CASH BASIS BUDGET AND ACTUAL – GENERAL FUND (1) FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

		Original and Final Budget		Actual	F	/ariance Favorable nfavorable)
	•		•		•	
Taxes	\$	3,533,000	\$	3,817,224	\$	284,224
Licenses and Permits		159,702		226,587		66,885
Fines and Forfeitures		40,600		57,729		17,129
Interest and Rent		-		136,733		136,733
Intergovernmental Revenue		117,285		108,754		(8,531)
Charges for Services		263,341		151,884		(111,457)
Miscellaneous Revenue		342,955		51,638		(291,317)
Total Revenues Received		4,456,883		4,550,549		93,666
EXPENDITURES PAID						
General Government		490,659		647,525		(156,866)
Public Safety		1,449,283		1,313,256		136,027
Public Works - Highways and Streets		621,977		583,185		38,792
Culture and Recreation		564,992		452,621		112,371
Employee Benefits/Taxes		1,405,639		947,436		458,203
Debt Principal and Interest		130,224		129,765		459
Contingencies		5,000		-		5,000
Total Expenditures Paid		4,667,774		4,073,788		593,986
EXCESS OF REVENUES RECEIVED						
OVER EXPENDITURES PAID		(210,891)		476,761		687,652
Other Financing Uses Operating Transfers - Net		115,639		-		115,639
EXCESS OF REVENUES RECEIVED AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES		(05.050)		170 704		570.040
PAID AND OTHER FINANCING USES		(95,252)		476,761		572,013
FUND BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2023		1,951,215		4,452,303		2,501,088
FUND BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2023	\$	1,855,963		4,929,064	\$	3,073,101
FUND BALANCES OF NONREPORTED FUNDS				(767,806)		
Total Fund Balance			\$	4,161,258		

There were no amendments to the originally adopted 2023 budget.

(1) Statement includes General Fund activity only; all other general incidental funds are excluded.

# BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS POLICE PENSION PLAN FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS

	 2014	 2015	 2016	 2017	 2018	 2019	 2020	 2021	 2022	2023
Actuarially Determined Contribution	\$ 50,846	\$ 48,460	\$ 46,457	\$ 49,085	\$ 125,382	\$ 126,988	\$ 135,229	\$ 129,190	\$ 28,732	\$ 19,918
Contributions in Relation to the Actuarially Determined Contribution	 50,846	 48,460	 46,457	 83,589	 142,852	 149,960	 146,771	 140,608	 79,723	19,918
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	 -	 -	 -	 (34,504)	 (17,470)	 (22,972)	 (11,542)	 (11,418)	 (50,991)	
Covered Payroll	\$ 910,959	\$ 951,342	\$ 892,383	\$ 908,827	\$ 935,001	\$ 976,241	\$ 929,409	\$ 919,651	\$ 970,156	\$ 940,778
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	5.6%	5.1%	5.2%	9.2%	15.3%	15.4%	15.8%	15.3%	8.2%	2.1%

#### Notes to schedules:

Assumption Changes - In 2017, the mortality assumption was changed from the RP-2000 Table projected to 2015 using Scale AA to the RP-2000 Table projected to 2017 using Scale AA. In 2021, the mortality assumption was changed from the RP-2000 Table projected to 2017 using Scale AA to the PubS-2010 projected 5 years past 2021 valuation date using MP-2020.

Benefit Changes: In 2017, a post-retirement cost of living increase of .3% was granted. In 2018, a post-retirement cost of living increase of 2% was granted. In 2019, a post-retirement cost of living increase of 2.8% was granted and the employee contribution rate increased from 2.5% to 3.5% of salary. In 2020, a post-retirement cost of living increase of 1.6% was granted and the employee contribution rate increased from 3.5% to 4.0% of salary. In 2021, a post-retirement cost of living increase of 1.3% was granted and the employee contribution rate increased from 4.0% to 4.5% of salary. In 2023, a post-retirement cost of living adjustment was granted.

# SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT RETURNS POLICE PENSION PLAN FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS\*

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Annual Money-Weighted Rate of Return, Net of									
Investment Expenses	-0.41%	5.31%	12.99%	-4.34%	18.73%	13.88%	12.25%	-14.40%	15.33%

\*Ultimately, these schedules should present information for the last ten years. However, until the years of information can be compiled, information is presented for as many years as is available.

### BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET PENSION (ASSET) LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS POLICE PENSION PLAN FOR THE LAST TEN YEARS

	 2015		2016	 2017	 2018		2019	 2020		2021		2022		2023
Total Pension Liability														
Service Cost	\$ 172,891	\$	181,536	\$ 175,447	\$ 184,219	\$	174,480	\$ 183,204	\$	189,741	\$	199,228	\$	181,746
Interest	321,886		335,925	357,605	376,493		378,587	399,631		421,490		445,513		472,863
Changes of Benefit Terms	-		-	3,969	26,613		38,003	21,577		15,455		-		76,666
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	-		-	95,446	-		(275,421)	-		(99,328)		-		(9,297)
Changes of Assumptions	-		-	12,741	-		-	-		89,032		-		-
Benefit Payments, Including Refunds of Member Contributions	 (292,085)	_	(313,642)	 (313,990)	 (283,242)		(284,033)	 (281,450)	_	(283,063)		(271,999)		(335,821)
Net Change in Total Pension Liability	202,692		203,819	331,218	304,083		31,616	322,962		333,327		372,742		386,157
Total Pension Liability - Beginning	 4,571,526		4,774,218	 4,978,037	 5,309,255	_	5,613,338	 5,644,954	_	5,967,916		6,301,243		6,673,985
Total Pension Liability - Ending	 4,774,218		4,978,037	 5,309,255	 5,613,338		5,644,954	5,967,916		6,301,243		6,673,985		7,060,142
Plan Fiduciary Net Position														
Contributions - Employer	-		-	3,360	-		-	-		-		-		3,632
Contributions - State Aid	48,460		46,457	80,229	142,852		149,960	146,771		140,608		79,723		16,286
Contributions - Member	12,642		18,118	22,808	28,148		32,200	37,772		39,567		44,876		42,337
Net Investment Income	(22,095)		274,803	680,983	(249,784)		1,009,625	873,067		864,337		(1,121,471)		987,560
Benefit Payments, Including Refunds of Member Contributions	(292,085)		(313,642)	(313,990)	(283,242)		(284,033)	(281,450)		(283,063)		(271,999)		(335,821)
Administrative Expense	(8,476)		(7,854)	(8,967)	(8,712)		(9,406)	(6,916)		(8,262)		(13,229)		(7,385)
Net Change in Plan Fiduciary Net Position	 (261,554)		17,882	464,423	(370,738)		898,346	 769,244		753,187	-	(1,282,100)		706,609
Plan Net Position - Beginning	5,594,981		5,333,427	5,351,309	5,815,732		5,444,994	6,343,340		7,112,584		7,865,771		6,583,671
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Plan Net Position - Ending	5,333,427		5,351,309	5,815,732	5,444,994		6,343,340	7,112,584		7,865,771		6,583,671		7,290,280
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Municipality's Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$ (559,209)	\$	(373,272)	\$ (506,477)	\$ 168,344	\$	(698,386)	\$ (1,144,668)	\$	(1,564,528)	\$	90,314	\$	(230, 138)
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of Total Pension Liability	111.7%		107.5%	109.5%	97.0%		112.4%	119.2%		124.8%		98.6%		103.3%
Covered Payroll	\$ 951,342	\$	892,383	\$ 908,827	\$ 935,001	\$	976,241	\$ 929,409	\$	919,651	\$	970,156	\$	940,778
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Municipality's Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage														
of Covered Payroll	-58.8%		-41.8%	-55.7%	18.0%		-71.5%	-123.2%		-170.1%		9.3%		-24.5%
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#### Notes to schedule:

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Ultimately, this schedule should present information for the last ten years. However, until the years of information can be compiled, information is presented for as many years as is available.

# BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY SCHEDULE POLICE PENSION PLAN DECEMBER 31, 2023

# Actuarial Methods

1. Liabilities - All plan benefits are valued using the entry age normal cost valuation method.

# Actuarial Assumptions

- 1. Economic Assumptions
  - a) Investment Return 7% per annum, net of investment expenses
  - b) Salary Increases 5% compounded annually

# 2. Economic Assumptions

a) Mortality

Pre-Retirement - None Post-Retirement – PUBS-2010 Healthy Retiree Mortality projected 5 years past the valuation date using Scale MP-2021.

- b) Termination None assumed
- c) Disability None assumed
- d) Retirement Age Normal retirement age, or age on valuation date if greater

e) Marital Status - 80% of active members are assumed to be married. Female spouse is assumed to be 3 years younger than male spouse

f) Form of Annuity - Joint and 50% Survivor

# BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE TOTAL OPEB LIABILITY AND RELATED RATIOS LAST 10 YEARS

	2018		2019		2020		2021		2022		2023	
Total OPEB liability												
Service cost	\$	150,958	\$	158,506	\$	212,394	\$	223,014	\$	189,221	\$	117,649
Interest		113,913		118,072		79,194		81,914		72,657		126,617
Changes of benefit terms		-		-		-		-		-		-
Differences between expected and actual experience		-		-		(94,485)		-		(577,247)		-
Changes of assumptions or other inputs		-		-		635,267		-		(854,492)		87,779
Benefit payments		(157,723)		(149,460)		(133,368)		(189,211)		(158,566)		(167,833)
Net change in total OPEB liability		107,148		127,118		699,002		115,717		(1,328,427)		164,212
Total OPEB liability - beginning		3,182,572		3,289,720		3,416,838		4,115,840		4,231,557		2,903,130
Total OPEB liability - ending	\$	3,289,720	\$	3,416,838	\$	4,115,840	\$	4,231,557	\$	2,903,130	\$	3,067,342
Covered Payroll	\$	1,910,705	\$	2,006,240	\$	1,961,483	\$	2,059,557	\$	2,058,550	\$	2,161,478
Total OPEB Liability as a Percent of Covered Payroll		172.2%		170.3%		209.8%		205.5%		141.0%		141.9%

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10year trend is compiled, OPEB plans should present information for those years for which information is available.

Note to Schedule: No assets are accumulated in a trust to pay the related benefits.

OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN COMBINING BALANCE SHEET – MODIFIED CASH BASIS – SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Fire Protection		State Liquid Fuels		American Rescue Plan		Total		
ASSETS									
Restricted Cash	\$	117,901	\$	11,487	\$	-	\$	129,388	
Total Assets	\$	117,901	\$	11,487	\$	-	\$	129,388	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES									
Fund Balance									
Restricted	\$	117,901	\$	11,487	\$	-	\$	129,388	
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	117,901	\$	11,487	\$		\$	129,388	

# BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES RECEIVED, EXPENDITURES PAID AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – MODIFIED CASH BASIS – SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	Fire Protection		State Liquid Fuels		merican scue Plan	Total
REVENUES RECEIVED						
Taxes	\$	200,175	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 200,175
Intergovernmental Revenues		-		175,144	-	175,144
Interest		-		26	4	30
Miscellaneous		-		-	 -	 -
Total Revenue Received		200,175		175,170	4	375,349
EXPENDITURES PAID						
Public Works - Highways and Streets		-		170,382	-	170,382
Public Safety - Fire		99,154		-	-	99,154
Culture and Recreation		-		-	 -	 -
Total Expenditures Paid		99,154		170,382	-	269,536
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED						
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES PAID		101,021		4,788	 4	 105,813
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers In		-		-	-	-
Transfers Out		(110,000)		-	 (494,255)	 (604,255)
Total Other Financing Uses, Net		(110,000)		-	 (494,255)	 (604,255)
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES PAID AND						
OTHER FINANCING USES		(8,979)		4,788	(494,251)	(498,442)
Fund Balances - January 1, 2023		126,880		6,699	 494,251	 627,830
Fund Balances - December 31, 2023	\$	117,901	\$	11,487	\$ 	\$ 129,388

# BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN STATEMENT OF REVENUES RECEIVED, EXPENDITURES PAID AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – MODIFIED CASH BASIS – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – FIRE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

	а	Driginal nd Final Budget	Actual	F	′ariance avorable ífavorable)
REVENUES RECEIVED					· · · · ·
Taxes	\$	201,361	\$ 200,175	\$	(1,186)
Total Revenues Received		201,361	 200,175		(1,186)
EXPENDITURES PAID					
Public Safety - Fire		201,861	99,154		102,707
Total Expenditures Paid		201,861	 99,154		102,707
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES PAID		(500)	101,021		101,521
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Operating Transfers - Net			 (110,000)		(110,000)
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED OVER (UNDER EXPENDITURES PAID		(====)	()		(2, 1-2)
AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		(500)	(8,979)		(8,479)
FUND BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2023		116,573	 126,880		10,307
FUND BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2023	\$	116,073	\$ 117,901	\$	1,828

# BOROUGH OF HELLERTOWN STATEMENT OF REVENUES RECEIVED, EXPENDITURES PAID AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE – MODIFIED CASH BASIS – BUDGET AND ACTUAL – LIQUID FUELS FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

REVENUES RECEIVED	a	Driginal nd Final Budget		Actual	Fa	ariance avorable avorable)
Interest	\$	55	\$	26	\$	(29)
Intergovernmental Revenues	Ψ	173,691	Ψ	175,144	Ψ	1,453
Miscellaneous		9,000		-		(9,000)
Total Revenues Received		182,746		175,170		(7,576)
EXPENDITURES PAID						
Public Works - Highways and Streets		191,000		170,382		20,618
Total Expenditures Paid		191,000		170,382		20,618
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES PAID		(8,254)		4,788		13,042
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES) Operating Transfers - Net						
EXCESS (DEFICIT) OF REVENUES RECEIVED OVER (UNDER EXPENDITURES PAID						
AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)		(8,254)		4,788		13,042
FUND BALANCE - JANUARY 1, 2023		16,160		6,699		(9,461)
FUND BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 2023	\$	7,906	\$	11,487	\$	3,581