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Statement of Administrative Responsibility

Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

The management of The Corporation of the Town of Hanover have prepared the accompanying financial statements and are responsible for their accuracy and integrity. The financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted for the public sector as prescribed by the Public Sector Accounting Board [PSAB] of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Professional Accountants.

In fulfilling its responsibilities and recognizing the limits inherent in all systems, administration has developed and maintained a system of internal control designed to provide reasonable assurance that the Municipality's assets are safeguarded from loss and that the accounting records are a reliable basis for the preparation of the financial statements.

The Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Corporate Services / Treasurer review the financial statements before such statements are submitted to Council and published for the residents of Hanover. The external auditors have access to, and meet with Administration and Council to discuss their audit and the results of their examination.

The Council of the Municipality meets with the external auditors to review the consolidated financial statements and discuss any significant financial reporting or internal control matters prior to the council's approval of the financial statements.

The financial statements have been audited by BDO Canada LLP, independent external auditors appointed by council. The accompanying Independent Auditor's Report outlines their responsibilities, the scope of their examination and their opinion on the Municipality's consolidated financial statements.



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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of Council of
The Corporation of the Town of Hanover

Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of The Corporation of the Town of Hanover (the Municipality), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at December 31, 2022, and the consolidated statements of operations, consolidated changes in net financial assets, and consolidated cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Municipality as at December 31, 2022, and its consolidated results of operations, its consolidated changes in net financial assets, and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Municipality in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Municipality's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Municipality or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Municipality's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated 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 opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- 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 Municipality's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Municipality's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Municipality to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Municipality to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

Hanover, Ontario
July 18, 2023

The Corporation of the Town of Hanover Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

December 31	2022	2021
Financial assets		
Cash (Note 1, page 15)	\$11,001,566	\$ 11,964,208
Portfolio investments (Note 2, page 15)	2,727,392	1,157,771
Taxes receivable	531,982	368,600
Water and wastewater charges receivable	593,431	532,777
Government transfers receivable	1,671,856	1,751,595
Other receivables	1,044,845	888,538
Inventory for resale	17,641	29,787
Loans receivable (Note 3, page 15)	1,135,083	1,135,083
Long-term investments (Note 4, page 16)	2,756,742	2,756,742
	<u>21,480,538</u>	<u>20,585,101</u>
Liabilities		
Temporary borrowings	33,347	25,186
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,882,203	1,705,147
Deferred revenue (Note 5, page 16)	1,671,763	1,531,409
Long-term debt (Note 6, page 17)	437,754	594,435
Landfill site closure and post-closure care liability (Note 7, page 17)	733,141	657,108
Retirement benefit liability (Note 9, page 18)	1,328,668	1,323,677
	<u>6,086,876</u>	<u>5,836,962</u>
Net financial assets	<u>15,393,662</u>	<u>14,748,139</u>
Non-financial assets		
Prepaid expenses	56,990	46,174
Inventory of supplies	167,595	136,110
Land held for sale	2,015,851	1,551,930
Tangible capital assets (Note 10, page 20)	87,624,360	85,220,297
	<u>89,864,796</u>	<u>86,954,511</u>
Accumulated surplus (Note 11, page 22)	<u>\$ 105,258,458</u>	<u>\$ 101,702,650</u>

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

The Corporation of the Town of Hanover Consolidated Statement of Operations

For the year ended December 31	2022 Budget (Note 18)	2022 Actual	2021 Actual
Revenue			
Taxation	\$ 7,891,500	\$ 7,868,374	\$ 7,490,817
Government transfers (Note 14, page 25)	4,791,250	6,187,259	5,221,930
Water and wastewater charges	4,108,500	4,439,448	3,970,802
User fees and service charges	2,615,509	2,921,256	2,503,426
Investment income	217,000	526,027	418,579
Donations	217,700	748,167	13,060,914
Other income (Note 15, page 27)	562,800	596,965	586,242
	<u>20,404,259</u>	<u>23,287,496</u>	<u>33,252,710</u>
Expenses			
General government	1,745,200	2,274,974	1,380,052
Protection services	4,452,900	4,480,349	3,980,064
Transportation services	1,843,697	2,429,619	2,721,838
Transit	666,875	758,193	885,849
Environmental services	3,865,850	4,285,130	4,816,271
Health and social services	904,600	981,077	925,565
Recreation and cultural services	3,727,200	3,871,014	3,066,109
Planning and development	595,400	651,332	1,017,245
	<u>17,801,722</u>	<u>19,731,688</u>	<u>18,792,993</u>
Annual surplus	2,602,537	3,555,808	14,459,717
Accumulated surplus, beginning of the year	<u>101,702,650</u>	<u>101,702,650</u>	<u>87,242,933</u>
Accumulated surplus, end of the year	<u>\$ 104,305,187</u>	<u>\$ 105,258,458</u>	<u>\$ 101,702,650</u>

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The Corporation of the Town of Hanover
Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Financial Assets

For the year ended December 31	2022 Budget (Note 18)	2022 Actual	2021 Actual
Annual surplus	\$ 2,602,537	\$ 3,555,808	\$ 14,459,717
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(4,406,955)	(5,437,053)	(17,969,093)
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets	2,000	10,725	278,650
Amortization expense	2,155,850	2,886,418	2,954,961
Writedown (gain) on disposal of tangible capital assets	-	135,847	1,094,584
	<u>(2,249,105)</u>	<u>(2,404,063)</u>	<u>(13,640,898)</u>
Increase in prepaid expenses	-	(10,816)	(19,857)
Increase in inventory of supplies	-	(31,485)	(14,436)
Decrease (increase) in assets held for sale	-	(463,921)	555,585
	<u>-</u>	<u>(506,222)</u>	<u>521,292</u>
Change in net financial assets	353,432	645,523	1,340,111
Net financial assets, beginning of year	<u>14,748,139</u>	<u>14,748,139</u>	<u>13,408,028</u>
Net financial assets, end of year	<u>\$ 15,101,571</u>	<u>\$15,393,662</u>	<u>\$ 14,748,139</u>

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The Corporation of the Town of Hanover Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended December 31	2022	2021
Cash provided by (used in)		
Operating activities		
Annual surplus	\$ 3,555,808	\$ 14,459,717
Items not involving cash		
Amortization and write down of tangible capital assets	3,022,265	4,049,545
Retirement benefit liability	4,991	41,149
Landfill site closure and post-closure care	76,033	6,803
Tangible capital assets assumed	<u>(589,857)</u>	<u>(12,858,903)</u>
	6,069,240	5,698,311
Change in balances		
Decrease (increase) in taxes receivable	(163,383)	60,495
Increase in accounts receivable	(137,222)	(896,009)
Decrease (increase) in inventory for resale	12,146	(21,364)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	177,057	201,196
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue	140,354	122,187
Decrease (increase) in non-financial assets	<u>(506,222)</u>	<u>521,292</u>
	<u>5,591,970</u>	<u>5,686,108</u>
Capital activities		
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(4,847,196)	(5,110,190)
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets	<u>10,725</u>	<u>278,650</u>
	<u>(4,836,471)</u>	<u>(4,831,540)</u>
Investing activities		
Purchase of investments	(1,569,621)	(116,084)
Proceeds on sale of investments	-	1,500,000
	<u>(1,569,621)</u>	<u>1,383,916</u>
Financing activities		
Increase in temporary borrowings	8,161	1,221
Repayment of long-term liabilities	<u>(156,681)</u>	<u>(154,373)</u>
	<u>(148,520)</u>	<u>(153,152)</u>
Net change in cash	(962,642)	2,085,332
Cash, beginning of year	<u>11,964,208</u>	<u>9,878,876</u>
Cash, end of year	<u>\$11,001,566</u>	<u>\$ 11,964,208</u>

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

The Corporation of the Town of Hanover Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

December 31, 2022

Basis of Accounting The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards established by the Public Sector Accounting Board of CPA Canada.

Basis of Consolidation The consolidated financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses of the current fund, capital fund, reserves and reserve funds of all municipal organizations, committees, and boards which are owned or controlled by council. All interfund assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses have been eliminated on consolidation.

The following boards owned or controlled by council have been consolidated:

Hanover Police Services Board
Hanover Cemetery Board
Hanover Public Library Board
Hanover Downtown Improvement Area
Launch Pad Youth Activity & Technology Centre

A government partnership exists where the municipality has shared control over the board or entity. The municipality's pro-rata share of the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses are reflected in the financial statements using the proportionate consolidation method. The municipality's proportionate interest of the following government partnerships are reflected in the consolidated financial statements:

Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit	18.4% (2021- 17.5%)
Hanover / Walkerton Landfill Site	50%
Saugeen Municipal Airport	31.0% (2021- 31.0%)

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Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards requires management to make estimates that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Management has made estimates of historical cost, useful lives and amortization of tangible capital assets (Note 10). In addition, estimates have been made of closure and post-closure costs related to landfill sites (Note 7) and employee future benefits costs (Note 9). By their nature, these estimates are subject to measurement uncertainty and actual results could differ from management's best estimates as additional information becomes available in the future.

Revenue Recognition

Revenues are recognized as follows:

- a) Taxation revenues are recorded at estimated amounts when they meet the definition of an asset, have been authorized, and the taxable event occurs. For property taxes, the taxable event is the period for which the tax is levied. As taxes recorded are initially based on management's best estimate of the taxes that will be received, it is possible that changes in future conditions, such as reassessments due to audits, appeals and court decisions, could result in a change in the amount of tax revenue recognized. Taxes receivable are recognized net of an allowance for anticipated uncollectable amounts.
- b) Fines and donations are recognized when collected.
- c) Fees, user charges and other revenues are recorded upon sale of goods or provision of service when collection is reasonably assured.
- d) Investment income earned on surplus funds (other than obligatory reserve funds) are reported as revenue in the period earned. Investment income earned on obligatory reserve funds is recorded directly to each fund balance and forms part of the respective deferred revenue balances.
- e) Government transfers are recognized as revenue in the financial statements when the transfer is authorized and any eligibility criteria are met, except to the extent that transfer stipulations give rise to an obligation that meets the definition of a liability. Transfers are recognized as deferred revenue when transfer stipulations give rise to a liability. Transfer revenue is recognized in the statement of operations as the stipulation liabilities are settled.

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Portfolio and Long-term Investments

Portfolio and long-term investments are recorded at cost. They are written down where there has been a loss in value that is other than a temporary decline.

Inventory

Inventory of goods held for resale are recorded at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost is determined on the average cost basis.

Assets held for sale, where it is not anticipated that the sale will be completed within one year, are reported as a non-financial asset.

Inventory of goods held for consumption are recorded as a non-financial asset at the lower of cost and replacement cost. Cost is determined on the first-in first-out basis.

Tangible Capital Assets

Purchased tangible capital assets are recorded at cost, which includes all amounts that are directly attributable to acquisition, construction, development or betterment of the asset. Tangible capital assets received as contributions are recorded at their fair value at the date of contribution. Where fair market value cannot be reasonably determined, contributed tangible capital assets are recorded at a nominal amount. Amortization is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the asset. The useful lives of the assets are based on estimates made by management as follows:

Land improvements	25 to 40 years
Buildings	50 to 100 years
Building components	10 to 80 years
Equipment	5 to 25 years
Vehicles	5 to 30 years
Infrastructure:	
Road surfaces	20 to 80 years
Utility systems	70 to 100 years

Intangible Assets

Intangible assets, art and historic treasures, and items inherited by right of the Crown, such as Crown lands, forests, water, and mineral resources, are not recognized in these financial statements.

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Landfill Site Closure and Post-Closure Care

Landfill site closure and post-closure care costs are recognized over the operating life of the landfill, based on capacity used. The liability is recorded at its discounted value, based on the average long-term borrowing rate of the municipality.

Liability for Contaminated Sites

A contaminated site is a site at which substances occur in concentrations that exceed the maximum acceptable amounts under an environmental standard. Sites that are currently in productive use are only considered a contaminated site if an unexpected event results in contamination. A liability for remediation of contaminated sites is recognized when the organization is directly responsible or accepts responsibility; it is expected that future economic benefits will be given up; and a reasonable estimate of the amount can be made. The liability includes all costs directly attributable to remediation activities including post remediation operations, maintenance and monitoring. The liability is recorded net of any expected recoveries. Management is not aware of any contaminated sites.

Employee Future Benefits

The municipality pays post-employment benefits to eligible employees on retirement. The benefits earned are recognized over the service life of the employees using the projected benefit method and management's best estimate of salary escalation, benefit costs, and retirement ages of employees.

Defined contribution plan accounting is applied to the municipality's multi-employer defined benefit pension plan.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand and cash accounts held at financial institutions.

County and School Board

The municipality collects taxation revenue on behalf of the school boards and the County of Grey. The taxation, other revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities with respect to the operations of the school boards and the County of Grey are not reflected in these financial statements.

Trust Funds

Funds held in trust by the municipality, and their related operations, are not included in these financial statements. The financial position and activity of the trust funds are reported separately on the trust fund balance sheet and statement of continuity.

The Corporation of the Town of Hanover Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

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1. Cash

Cash consists of deposits at a financial institution. The deposits earn interest at prime less 1.55%, on all business accounts, payable monthly.

The municipality has a line of credit that bears interest at the lender's prime rate less 0.5%. At December 31, 2022, the municipality had undrawn credit capacity under this facility of \$500,000.

Included in cash is \$907,620 (2021 - \$776,118), the use of which is externally restricted by legislation or agreement.

2. Portfolio Investments

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Mutual funds and GIC	\$ 2,727,392	\$ 1,157,771
Market value	<u>\$ 3,323,089</u>	<u>\$ 1,980,295</u>

3. Loans Receivable

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Note receivable, Westario Power Inc., 4.12% interest only payable quarterly	<u>\$ 1,135,083</u>	<u>\$ 1,135,083</u>

The note receivable from Westario Power Inc. is due on demand in accordance with the terms set out in the shareholders' agreement. The Town of Hanover is a shareholder of the corporation.

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4. Long-Term Investments

	2022	2021
Westario Power Inc. 1,509 common shares	<u>\$ 2,756,742</u>	<u>\$ 2,756,742</u>

The municipality owns 15.09% of the outstanding shares of Westario Power Inc., a private company incorporated under the laws of the Province of Ontario. The fair value of these shares is not practicable to determine in the absence of published market quotations.

5. Deferred Revenue

	2022	2021
Obligatory Reserve Funds		
Provincial Gasoline Tax Funding	\$ 1,361,886	\$ 1,098,830
Federal Gasoline Tax Funding	8,388	210,300
	1,370,274	1,309,130
Deferred revenue	301,489	222,279
	<u>\$ 1,671,763</u>	<u>\$ 1,531,409</u>

The net change during the year in the obligatory reserve fund balances is made up of the following:

	Balance beginning of year	Restricted funds received	Interest earned	Revenue recognized	Balance end of year
Provincial Gasoline Tax Funding	\$ 1,098,830	\$ 777,963	\$ 27,141	\$ (542,048)	\$1,361,886
Federal Gasoline Tax Funding	210,300	243,826	4,262	(450,000)	8,388
Total	<u>\$ 1,309,130</u>	<u>\$ 1,021,789</u>	<u>\$ 31,403</u>	<u>\$ (992,048)</u>	<u>\$1,370,274</u>

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6. Long-Term Debt

	2022	2021
Term loan payable, 2.52%, payable \$14,155 principal and interest monthly, due August 2025	\$ 437,754	\$ 594,435

Principal payments required on the long-term debt are as follows:

2023	\$ 160,675
2024	164,753
2025	112,326

7. Landfill Site Closure and Post-Closure Care Liability

The Hanover/Walkerton Landfill Site closure and post-closure care requirements are defined in accordance with industry standards and include final covering and landscaping of the landfill, removal of ground water and leachates, and ongoing environmental monitoring, site inspection and maintenance. These costs will be incurred when the Hanover/Walkerton Landfill Site stops accepting waste, with the post-closure care expected to continue for an additional 25 years. The total future closure and post-closure care costs are estimated to be \$4,983,365, with the Town of Hanover's share being \$2,491,683.

The liability is made up of the present value of the total estimated costs related to the phase of the landfill that was closed in 2014, plus 23.6% of the total estimated costs related to the expansion phase. At December 31, 2022, the Town of Hanover has recognized their 50% share of the liability of \$733,141. The liability is based on a total capacity of 917,000 cubic metres, an inflation rate of 2.50% (2021 - 2.50%) and a discount rate of 3.37% (2021 - 3.37%).

The balance of the town's share of the liability of \$1,758,542 will be accrued as the remaining capacity of 313,883 cubic metres is utilized over the 30 years of estimated remaining life of the landfill.

Management's estimate for the site closure and post-closure care liability is subject to measurement uncertainty. The estimate is based on assumptions contained in the engineer's letter of March 2022. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates because of the uncertainty related to future cost estimates, and future use of the landfill site.

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8. Pension Plan

The municipality makes contributions to the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement Fund (OMERS), which is a multi-employer plan, on behalf of 76 (2021 - 76) members of its staff. The plan is a defined benefit plan which specifies the amount of the retirement benefits to be received by the employees based on the length of service and rates of pay. Employees and employers contribute jointly to the plan. The employer amount contributed to OMERS for 2022 was \$479,176 (2021 - \$444,962). The contribution rate for 2022 was 9.0% to 15.8% depending on age and income level (2021 - 9.0% to 15.8%).

OMERS is a multi-employer plan, therefore, any pension plan surpluses or deficits is the joint responsibility of the Ontario municipal organizations and their employees. As a result, the municipality does not recognize any share of the OMERS pension surplus or deficit. The last available report for the OMERS plan was as at December 31, 2022. At that time, the plan reported an actuarial deficit of \$6.68 billion (2021 - deficit of \$3.1 billion), based on actuarial liabilities of \$128.79 billion (2021 - \$119.3 billion) and actuarial assets of \$122.11 billion (2021 - \$116.2 billion). Ongoing adequacy of the current contribution rates will need to be monitored as declines in financial markets may lead to increased future funding requirements.

9. Retirement Benefit Liability

The municipality provides retirement benefits other than pensions to substantially all of its full-time employees. The plan provides extended health and life insurance benefits to age 65. Certain employees may take a retirement lump sum payout in lieu of the benefit continuation. The plan is unfunded and requires no contribution from employees.

The retirement benefit liability at December 31 is determined as follows:

	2022	2021
Retirement benefit		
accrued benefit obligation	\$ 1,489,053	\$ 1,448,234
Unamortized actuarial gain (loss)	(160,385)	(122,107)
Recoverable amount	-	(2,450)
Retirement benefit liability	<u>\$ 1,328,668</u>	<u>\$ 1,323,677</u>

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9. Retirement Benefit Liability (continued)

The above amounts were determined by actuarial valuation using the projected benefit method, pro-rated on services. The most recent actuarial report was prepared at December 31, 2021. The accrued benefit obligation shown for 2022 is based on an extrapolation of that 2021 valuation. There is a net unamortized actuarial loss to be amortized on a straight-line basis over the expected average remaining service life of the related employee groups (13 years).

The actuarial valuation was based on a number of assumptions about future events, such as inflation rates, medical premium inflation rates, wage increases, employee turnover, and mortality rates. The assumptions used reflect management's best estimates, but are subject to measurement uncertainty. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimated because of the uncertainty related to future events and conditions. The liability was determined using a discount rate of 3.25%, along with an inflation rate of 1.75% and a compensation increase rate of 1.75% to 2.75%. For extended health care costs, a 5.42% annual rate of increase was assumed for 2022, decreasing to an ultimate annual rate of increase of 3.75% in 2028. For dental costs, a 3.75% annual rate of increase was assumed.

The total expense related to post-employment benefits other than pensions, includes the following components:

	2022	2021
Current service cost	\$ 79,033	\$ 62,565
Interest cost	43,135	45,210
Amortization of actuarial gain/(loss)	1,148	(2,053)
Total expense for the year	123,316	105,722
Benefit payments	(118,325)	(64,572)
Change in liability for the year	\$ 4,991	\$ 41,150

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10. Tangible Capital Assets

For the year ended December 31, 2022

	Land and Land Improvements	Buildings	Equipment	Vehicles	Infrastructure	2022 Total
Cost, beginning of year	\$ 8,955,135	\$ 42,937,097	\$ 7,127,353	\$ 3,503,912	\$ 58,380,782	\$120,904,279
Additions	28,651	1,772,575	505,577	117,705	3,012,545	5,437,053
Disposals	-	(313,333)	(90,068)	(39,194)	(170,193)	(612,788)
Adjustments	(124,165)	-	124,165	-	-	-
Cost, end of year	8,859,621	44,396,339	7,667,027	3,582,423	61,223,134	125,728,544
Accumulated amortization, beginning of year	1,443,409	13,609,525	4,347,085	1,566,990	14,716,973	35,683,982
Amortization	153,164	843,668	335,272	242,755	1,311,559	2,886,418
Disposals	-	(268,401)	(86,225)	(33,477)	(78,113)	(466,216)
Accumulated amortization, end of year	1,596,573	14,184,792	4,596,132	1,776,268	15,950,419	38,104,184
Net carrying amount, end of year	\$ 7,263,048	\$ 30,211,547	\$ 3,070,895	\$ 1,806,155	\$ 45,272,715	\$ 87,624,360

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10. Tangible Capital Assets (continued)

For the year ended December 31, 2021

	Land and Land Improvements	Buildings	Equipment	Vehicles	Infrastructure	2021 Total
Cost, beginning of year	\$ 8,025,797	\$ 39,731,205	\$ 7,121,604	\$ 3,515,617	\$ 47,297,850	\$ 105,692,073
Additions	994,990	2,774,482	183,759	267,412	13,748,450	17,969,093
Disposals	(65,652)	(142,922)	(178,010)	(279,117)	(2,091,186)	(2,756,887)
Adjustments		574,332	-	-	(574,332)	-
Cost, end of year	8,955,135	42,937,097	7,127,353	3,503,912	58,380,782	120,904,279
Accumulated amortization, beginning of year	1,304,382	12,892,715	4,182,192	1,597,189	14,136,196	34,112,674
Amortization	139,027	785,007	332,511	244,345	1,454,071	2,954,961
Disposals	-	(68,197)	(167,618)	(274,544)	(873,294)	(1,383,653)
Accumulated amortization, end of year	1,443,409	13,609,525	4,347,085	1,566,990	14,716,973	35,683,982
Net carrying amount, end of year	\$ 7,511,726	\$ 29,327,572	\$ 2,780,268	\$ 1,936,922	\$ 43,663,809	\$ 85,220,297

The carrying value of tangible capital assets not being amortized because they were under construction, development, or were removed from service during the year is \$272,049 (2021 - \$1,435,980).

\$589,857 (2021 - \$12,858,903) in contributed tangible capital assets were recognized in the financial statements during the year and included in tangible capital asset additions and donation revenue.

Certain land assets have been recorded at nominal values. The land can be used to provide future services.

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11. Accumulated Surplus

The accumulated surplus reported on the consolidated statement of financial position is comprised of the following:

	2022	2021
General surplus (deficit)	\$ (46,966)	\$ (87,198)
Reserves and reserve funds set aside for specific purpose by council (Note 12)	18,198,505	17,642,021
Amounts to be recovered (Note 13)	(2,513,063)	(2,595,337)
Amount invested in land for resale	1,995,622	1,522,867
Amount invested in tangible capital assets	87,624,360	85,220,297
Accumulated surplus	\$ 105,258,458	\$ 101,702,650

The general surplus (deficit) is comprised of the following:

Saugeen Municipal Airport	\$ (46,966)	\$ (46,080)
Launch Pad Youth Activity & Technology Centre	-	(41,118)
	\$ (46,966)	\$ (87,198)

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12. Reserves and Reserve Funds

	2022	2021
Reserves set aside for specific purpose by council:		
Working funds	\$ 457,434	\$ 457,434
WSIB	117,401	118,107
Current		
General government	69,357	82,267
Health services	4,005	12,634
Westario Power proceeds, set aside in note for future use	380,000	380,000
Other	4,500	7,639
Capital		
Protection services	1,059,041	1,104,573
Wastewater	1,080,891	945,891
Water	1,037,608	1,278,308
Waste collection and disposal	518,471	318,384
Health services	38,302	27,127
Hanover Public Library Board	290,409	248,345
Recreation and culture	89,058	51,031
Planning and development	136,456	136,428
Other capital purposes	1,952,698	2,470,984
	7,235,631	7,639,152
Reserve funds set aside for specific purpose by council:		
Infrastructure	530,776	462,028
Investing in Hanover	1,033,251	1,637,266
Water	4,219,941	3,624,309
Wastewater	2,355,775	1,518,475
Planning and development	66,389	4,049
Westario Power proceeds, set aside in shares for future use	2,756,742	2,756,742
	10,962,874	10,002,869
Reserves and reserve funds set aside for specific purpose by council	\$18,198,505	\$ 17,642,021

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13. Amounts to be recovered

The balance of the amounts to be recovered is comprised of the following:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Long-term debt	\$ 437,754	\$ 594,435
Retirement benefit liability	1,328,668	1,323,677
Insurance deductible	13,500	20,117
Landfill site closure and post-closure care liability	<u>733,141</u>	<u>657,108</u>
	<u>\$ 2,513,063</u>	<u>\$ 2,595,337</u>

The net change during the year in the amounts to be recovered is made up of the following:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Principal payments on long-term debt	\$ (156,681)	\$ (154,372)
Decrease in insurance deductible	(6,617)	(61,829)
Increase in retirement benefit liability	4,991	41,149
Change in landfill site closure and post-closure care liability	<u>76,033</u>	<u>6,803</u>
Decrease in amounts to be recovered	<u>\$ (82,274)</u>	<u>\$ (168,249)</u>

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14. Government Transfers

Government transfer revenue is comprised of the following:

	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2021 Actual
Operating			
Province of Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF)	\$ 1,930,800	\$ 1,930,800	\$ 1,985,300
Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation	800,000	1,262,176	677,592
Province of Ontario conditional grants			
General government	81,400	97,590	9,167
Protection services	70,100	107,714	66,384
Safe restart funding	-	-	116,875
Transit	540,000	542,048	578,887
Waste collection	73,650	73,346	71,709
Hanover Public Library Board operating grant	15,500	16,609	15,689
Social and Family Services	26,000	20,500	66,436
Other	26,200	23,397	64,081
	<u>3,563,650</u>	<u>4,074,180</u>	<u>3,652,120</u>
Government of Canada conditional grants			
Roadways	-	-	5,987
Hanover Public Library Board	-	8,636	11,709
Other	16,500	84,456	130,252
	<u>16,500</u>	<u>93,092</u>	<u>147,948</u>
Other Municipalities conditional grants			
Protection services	130,600	133,100	128,000
Roadways	27,400	15,887	14,186
Other	20,000	26,660	-
	<u>178,000</u>	<u>175,647</u>	<u>142,186</u>
Total operating grants	<u>3,758,150</u>	<u>4,342,919</u>	<u>3,942,254</u>

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14. Government Transfers (continued)

Tangible Capital Asset Grants

	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2021 Actual
Province of Ontario conditional grants			
Roadways	443,800	485,920	223,872
Water and wastewater	-	6,887	-
Recreation and cultural services	10,300	358,965	268,669
	<u>454,100</u>	<u>851,772</u>	<u>492,541</u>
Government of Canada conditional grants			
Roadways	566,700	450,000	341,879
Water and wastewater	-	8,265	-
Recreation and cultural services	12,300	534,303	332,875
Other	-	-	112,381
	<u>579,000</u>	<u>992,568</u>	<u>787,135</u>
Total tangible capital asset grants	<u>1,033,100</u>	<u>1,844,340</u>	<u>1,279,676</u>
Total government transfer revenue	<u>\$ 4,791,250</u>	<u>\$ 6,187,259</u>	<u>\$ 5,221,930</u>

Included in expenses are government transfers for the following:

	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2021 Actual
Conservation authority	\$ 122,900	\$ 122,920	\$ 113,545
Transit	406,125	457,818	609,454
Other	97,500	93,500	93,000
	<u>\$ 626,525</u>	<u>\$ 674,238</u>	<u>\$ 815,999</u>

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15. Other Income

	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2021 Actual
Penalties and interest on taxation	\$ 56,000	\$ 69,922	\$ 69,697
Rents	448,300	455,056	454,311
Other	58,500	71,987	62,234
	\$ 562,800	\$ 596,965	\$ 586,242

16. Segmented Information

The Corporation of the Town of Hanover is a diversified municipal government organization that provides a wide range of services to its citizens such as police, fire, roadways, water, and recreation and cultural services. Distinguishable functional segments have been separately disclosed in the segmented information. The nature of the segments and the activities that they encompass are as follows:

General Government

This segment relates to the revenues and expenses that relate to the operations of the municipality itself and unallocated items that cannot be directly attributed to any specific segment. General administration, council activities and maintenance of municipal buildings are included in the functions of general government.

Protection Services

Protection is comprised of police services, fire protection, emergency plan, building inspections, and animal control.

Transportation Services

Transportation is comprised of the municipality's roadways, storm sewers, sidewalks, street lighting, and winter control. It also includes the municipality's proportionate share of the operations of specialty transportation services and an airport, both services that are shared with surrounding municipalities.

Water and Wastewater Services

This segment treats and distributes the municipality's drinking water and ensures that it meets all provincial standards. It also includes the collection and treatment of wastewater.

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16. Segmented Information (continued)

Environmental Services

Environmental services consist of providing waste and recycling collection and the town's share of the operation of the Hanover / Walkerton joint landfill site.

Health Services

Health services are comprised of support to the medical clinic operations, cemetery and the Launch Pad Youth Activity and Technology Centre.

Hanover Public Library Board

This segment provides library services to assist with its citizens' informational needs.

Recreation and Cultural Services

This segment maintains parks and facilities and provides programs meant to improve the health and development of the municipality's citizens. Recreation programs such as skating and swimming lessons are provided at the arena and aquatic centre. The municipality also has a theatre to provide cultural programs.

Planning and Development

This segment provides services including residential and commercial planning, review of property development plans, and economic development services for the municipality.

The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies. In measuring and reporting segment revenue from transactions with other segments, inter-segment transfers are measured on the basis of exchange amount. Amounts that are directly attributable to a number of segments have been allocated on a reasonable basis as follows:

Taxation	- allocated to those segments that are funded through taxation based on their net expenditure for the year
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Unconditional grants from OMPF & OLG	- allocated to those segments that are funded through unallocated revenues based on their net expenditure for the year
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16. Segmented Information (continued)

For the year ended December 31, 2022

	General Government	Protection Services	Transportation Services	Water and Wastewater	Environmental Services	Health and Social Services	Hanover Public Library Board	Recreation and Cultural Services	Planning and Development	2022 Total
Revenue										
Taxation	\$ 803,973	\$ 2,605,199	\$ 1,469,484	\$ -	\$ 203,760	\$ 53,375	\$ 416,016	\$ 2,042,558	\$ 274,009	\$ 7,868,374
Government transfers										
- OMPF & OLG	198,473	643,138	939,205	-	50,302	13,177	102,701	1,189,978	56,002	3,192,976
- other	110,455	240,815	1,493,854	15,152	73,346	64,127	25,245	928,365	42,924	2,994,283
Fees and user charges	283,076	603,941	199,506	4,439,448	606,406	302,018	28,696	686,012	211,601	7,360,704
Investment income	405,822	-	-	97,790	12,202	-	6,463	-	3,750	526,027
Donations and other revenue	308,990	6,000	179,951	415,105	-	399,829	19,418	11,000	4,839	1,345,132
	<u>2,110,789</u>	<u>4,099,093</u>	<u>4,282,000</u>	<u>4,967,495</u>	<u>946,016</u>	<u>832,526</u>	<u>598,539</u>	<u>4,857,913</u>	<u>593,125</u>	<u>23,287,496</u>
Expenses										
Salaries and benefits	1,221,527	3,347,180	723,997	888,761	107,552	453,841	376,655	1,628,855	112,721	8,861,089
Interest on debt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,176	-	13,176
Materials and supplies	854,428	656,526	905,140	1,465,720	552,966	400,703	180,813	1,043,101	534,120	6,593,517
Contracted services	-	159,879	67,493	174,439	133,678	-	-	31,912	-	567,401
Government transfers	93,500	122,920	457,818	-	-	-	-	-	-	674,238
Amortization and Loss on Disposal	105,519	193,844	1,033,363	851,634	110,378	126,533	41,368	555,134	4,491	3,022,264
Total expenses	<u>2,274,974</u>	<u>4,480,349</u>	<u>3,187,811</u>	<u>3,380,554</u>	<u>904,574</u>	<u>981,077</u>	<u>598,836</u>	<u>3,272,178</u>	<u>651,332</u>	<u>19,731,685</u>
Annual surplus (deficit)	\$ (164,185)	\$ (381,256)	\$ 1,094,189	\$ 1,586,941	\$ 41,442	\$ (148,551)	\$ (297)	\$ 1,585,735	\$ (58,207)	\$ 3,555,811

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16. Segmented Information (continued)

For the year ended December 31, 2021

	General Government	Protection Services	Transportation Services	Water and Wastewater	Environment al Services	Health and Social Services	Hanover Public Library Board	Recreation and Cultural Services	Planning and Development	Unallocated	2021 Total
Revenue											
Taxation	\$ 1,114,247	\$ 2,708,674	\$ 1,348,573	\$ -	\$ 160,415	\$ 38,754	\$ 422,493	\$ 1,320,460	\$ 377,201	\$ -	\$ 7,490,817
Government transfers											
- OMPF & OLG	537,112	722,263	797,185	-	42,774	10,333	112,657	352,098	88,470	-	2,662,892
- other	132,443	181,584	1,331,150	-	80,197	106,924	27,398	655,442	37,500	6,400	2,559,038
Fees and user charges											
Investment income	38,926	306,732	190,055	3,970,802	568,297	196,314	7,759	287,018	908,325	-	6,474,228
Donations and other revenue	356,618	-	-	55,730	2,744	-	2,216	45	1,226	-	418,579
	314,826	5,607	7,302,487	5,556,416	-	435,527	32,293	-	-	-	13,647,156
	<u>2,494,172</u>	<u>3,924,860</u>	<u>10,969,450</u>	<u>9,582,948</u>	<u>854,427</u>	<u>787,852</u>	<u>604,816</u>	<u>2,615,063</u>	<u>1,412,722</u>	<u>6,400</u>	<u>33,252,710</u>
Expenses											
Salaries and benefits	1,004,119	3,016,446	605,951	855,638	106,747	452,160	408,109	1,218,573	104,731	-	7,772,474
Interest on debt	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17,071	-	-	17,071
Materials and supplies	273,279	560,106	687,828	1,604,368	296,554	346,960	173,584	717,062	906,864	-	5,566,605
Contracted services	-	147,697	81,512	28,479	288,367	-	-	24,532	-	-	570,587
Government transfers	93,000	113,545	610,166	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	816,711
Amortization and Loss on Disposal	9,654	142,270	1,622,230	1,537,900	98,218	126,445	42,338	464,840	5,650	-	4,049,545
Total expenses	<u>1,380,052</u>	<u>3,980,064</u>	<u>3,607,687</u>	<u>4,026,385</u>	<u>789,886</u>	<u>925,565</u>	<u>624,031</u>	<u>2,442,078</u>	<u>1,017,245</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,792,993</u>
Annual surplus (deficit)	\$ 1,114,120	\$ (55,204)	\$ 7,361,763	\$ 5,556,563	\$ 64,541	\$ (137,713)	\$ (19,215)	\$ 172,985	\$ 395,477	\$ 6,400	\$ 14,459,717

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17. Government Partnerships

The following summarizes the financial position and operations of the municipal joint boards. The Town of Hanover's pro-rata share of these amounts have been reported in the financial statements using the proportionate consolidation method:

	Saugeen Municipal Airport	Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit	Hanover / Walkerton Landfill Site
Financial Assets			
Cash and temporary investments	\$ -	\$ 50,355	\$ 1,143,112
Accounts receivable	17,703	180,844	52,884
Other financial assets	22,155	-	-
	<u>39,858</u>	<u>231,199</u>	<u>1,195,996</u>
Liabilities			
Temporary borrowings	30,975	190,562	-
Accounts payable	37,560	129,748	120,925
Other liabilities	107,477	-	1,516,898
	<u>176,012</u>	<u>320,310</u>	<u>1,637,823</u>
Net financial assets (net debt)	(136,154)	(89,111)	(441,827)
Non-financial assets	<u>754,276</u>	<u>462,716</u>	<u>4,585,485</u>
Accumulated Surplus	<u>\$ 618,122</u>	<u>\$ 373,605</u>	<u>\$ 4,143,658</u>
Accumulated Surplus			
General surplus (deficit)	\$ (43,106)	\$ -	\$ -
Reserves and reserve funds	14,429	-	1,036,942
Amounts to be recovered in future years	(107,477)	-	(1,478,769)
Invested in tangible capital assets	754,276	373,605	4,585,485
	<u>\$ 618,122</u>	<u>\$ 373,605</u>	<u>\$ 4,143,658</u>
Revenues			
Contributions from Town of Hanover	\$ 47,904	\$ 128,656	\$ 180,000
Other government contributions	106,626	1,050,603	182,348
Other	296,810	375,419	802,243
Expenses	<u>(455,608)</u>	<u>(1,745,053)</u>	<u>(1,137,291)</u>
Annual surplus (deficit)	<u>\$ (4,268)</u>	<u>\$ (190,375)</u>	<u>\$ 27,300</u>

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17. Government Partnerships (cont'd)

Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit (S.M.A.R.T.) operates a specialty transit service, Saugeen Municipal Airport operates a municipal airport and the Hanover / Walkerton Landfill Site operates a landfill site.

18. Budget Amounts

Under Canadian public sector accounting standards, budget amounts are to be reported on the consolidated statements of operations and change in net financial assets for comparative purposes. The budget amounts for The Corporation of the Town of Hanover are as approved by council and have been restated to conform to the basis of presentation of the revenues and expenses on the consolidated statements of operations and changes in net financial assets.

The following is a reconciliation of the budget approved by council:

	2022 Budget	2022 Actual	2021 Actual
Annual surplus	\$ 2,602,537	\$ 3,555,808	\$ 14,459,717
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(4,406,955)	(5,437,053)	(17,969,093)
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets	2,000	10,725	278,650
Amortization and write downs	2,155,850	3,022,265	4,049,545
Acquisition of assets held for sale and other	-	(472,754)	316,471
Debt principal repayments	(179,900)	(156,681)	(154,373)
	173,532	522,310	980,917
Transfers from (to) reserves	(128,206)	(359,456)	(814,375)
Change in unfunded liabilities	-	74,406	(13,876)
	45,326	237,260	152,666
Reserve funds annual surplus	-	(197,028)	(187,125)
General surplus (deficit), beginning of year	(87,198)	(87,198)	(52,739)
General surplus (deficit), end of year	\$ (41,872)	\$ (46,966)	\$ (87,198)

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19. Operations of School Boards and the County of Grey

During the year, the following taxation revenue was raised and remitted to the school boards and the County of Grey:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
School boards	\$ 2,102,733	\$ 2,108,652
County of Grey	3,214,634	3,079,678
	<u>\$ 5,317,367</u>	<u>\$ 5,188,330</u>

20. Trust Funds

The trust funds administered by the municipality amounting to \$715,670 (2021 - \$681,111) have not been included in the consolidated statement of financial position nor have their operations been included in the consolidated statement of financial activities. At December 31, 2022, the trust fund balances are as follows:

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Cemetery Pre-need Assurance Fund	\$ 204,604	\$ 194,560
Cemetery Care and Maintenance Funds	511,066	486,551
	<u>\$ 715,670</u>	<u>\$ 681,111</u>

21. Contingencies and Contractual Obligations

The municipality has commitments with respect to capital projects at December 31, 2022 in the amount of \$167,000 (2021 - \$985,000).

The municipality has been named in a number of claims that are in proceedings through their insurance company. The municipality's liability with respect to these claims is not determinable at this time. Management is of the opinion that the municipality maintains adequate and appropriate liability and errors and omissions insurance to protect the municipality against such claims.



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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of Council of The Corporation of the Town of Hanover

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial information of The Corporation of the Town of Hanover Trust Funds (the Trust Funds), which comprise the balance sheet as at December 31, 2022 and the statement of continuity for the year then ended, and notes to the financial information including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial information present fairly, in all material respects, the balance sheet of the Trust Funds as at December 31, 2022, and the statement of continuity for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Information* section of our report. We are independent of the Trust Funds in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial information in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Information

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this financial information in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial information that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial information, management is responsible for assessing the Trust Funds ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Trust Funds or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Trust Funds financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Information

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial information as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial information.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial information, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- 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 Trust Funds internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Trust Funds ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial information or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Trust Funds to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial information, including the disclosures, and whether the financial information represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

Hanover, Ontario
July 18, 2023

The Corporation of the Town of Hanover
Trust Funds
Balance Sheet

December 31			2022			2021
	Cemetery Pre-Need Assurance Fund	Cemetery Care and Maintenance Fund	Total			Total
Assets						
Cash	\$ 203,869	\$ 160,636	\$ 364,505	\$		329,696
Portfolio investments (Note 2)	-	422,708	422,708			400,447
Accounts receivable	-	-	-			-
Due from general account	736	-	736			350
	<u>\$ 204,605</u>	<u>\$ 583,344</u>	<u>\$ 787,949</u>	<u>\$</u>		<u>\$ 730,493</u>
Liabilities and Fund Balances						
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$ 72,279	\$ 72,279	\$		49,382
Fund balance	<u>204,604</u>	<u>511,066</u>	<u>715,670</u>			<u>681,111</u>
	<u>\$ 204,604</u>	<u>\$ 583,345</u>	<u>\$ 787,949</u>	<u>\$</u>		<u>\$ 730,493</u>

Statement of Continuity

For the year ended December 31			2022			2021
	Cemetery Pre-Need Assurance Fund	Cemetery Care and Maintenance Fund	Total			Total
Fund balance, beginning of the year	\$ 194,560	\$ 486,551	\$ 681,111	\$		\$ 655,974
Receipts						
Interest earned	5,056	3,551	8,607			2,781
Gain on disposal of investments	-	22,261	22,261			37,117
Perpetual care	-	24,514	24,514			14,050
Prepaid needs	22,448	-	22,448			16,880
	<u>27,504</u>	<u>50,326</u>	<u>77,830</u>			<u>70,828</u>
Expenses						
Transfers to municipality	<u>17,460</u>	<u>25,811</u>	<u>43,271</u>			<u>45,691</u>
Fund balance, end of the year	<u>\$ 204,604</u>	<u>\$ 511,066</u>	<u>\$ 715,670</u>	<u>\$</u>		<u>\$ 681,111</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

The Corporation of the Town of Hanover
Trust Funds
Notes to Financial Information

December 31, 2022

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial information of The Corporation of the Town of Hanover Trust Funds are the representation of management prepared in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

The preparation of financial information in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards requires management to make estimates that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial information, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from management's best estimates as additional information becomes available in the future.

Revenues and expenses are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. The accrual basis of accounting recognizes revenues as they become available and measurable; expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measurable as a result of receipt of goods or services and the creation of a legal obligation to pay.

Basis of Consolidation

These trust funds have not been consolidated with the financial statements of the Town of Hanover.

Portfolio Investments

Portfolio investments are recorded at cost. Portfolio investments are written down where there has been a loss in value that is other than a temporary decline.

2. Portfolio Investments

Portfolio investments are made up of the following:

	2022	2021
Mutual funds	\$ 422,708	\$ 400,447
Market value	\$ 582,928	\$ 633,194
