# **TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE**

# **Comprehensive Annual Financial Report**

For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

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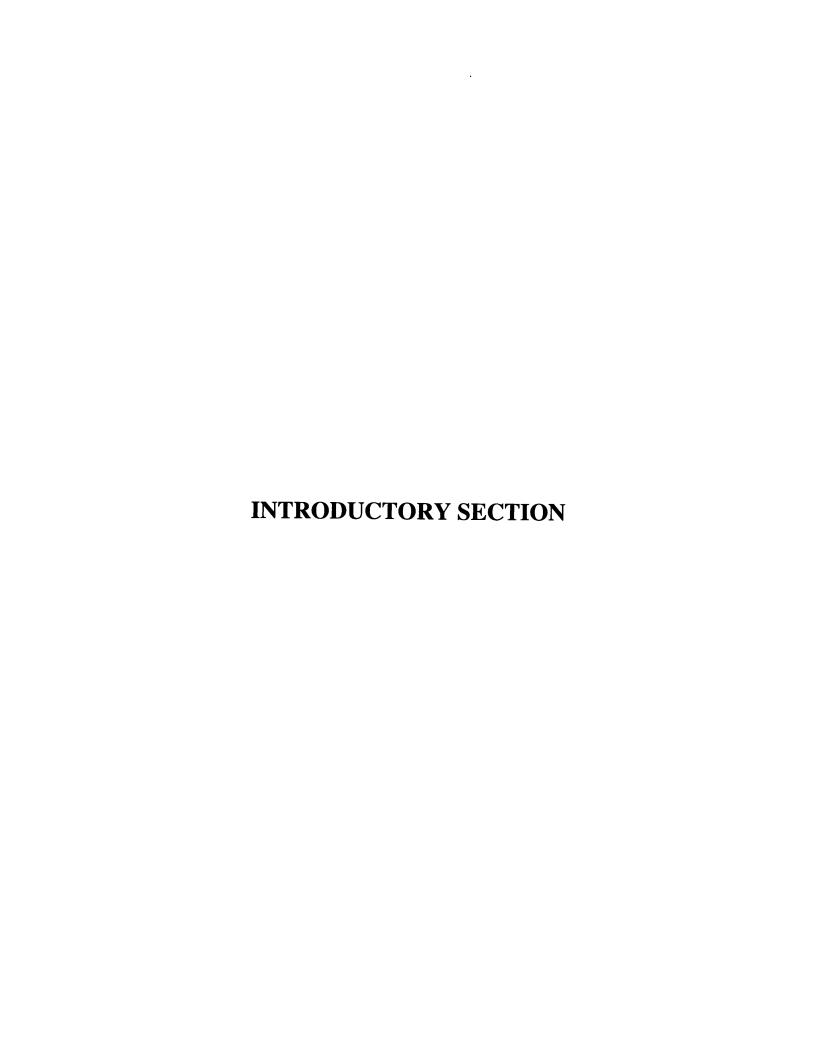
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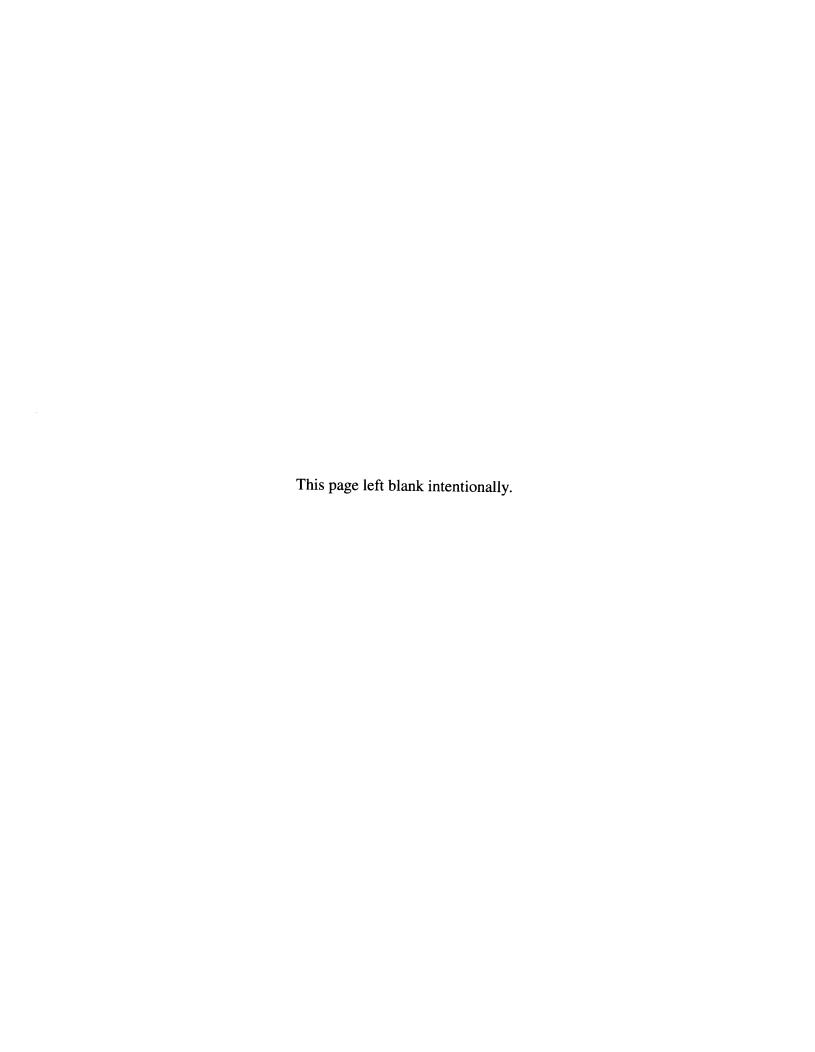
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September 14, 2006

To the Gorham Town Council and the Citizens of the Town of Gorham:

The comprehensive annual financial report of the Town of Gorham for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, is hereby submitted as required by Town Charter and State law.

Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data, and the completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures rests with the Town. To the best of our knowledge and belief, the enclosed data is accurate in all material respects and is reported in a manner designed to present fairly the financial position and results of operations of the Town on a government-wide and fund basis. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the Town's financial activities have been included.

Internal Controls: The Town's Finance Department is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls designed to ensure that the assets of the Town are protected from loss, theft, or misuse, and to ensure that the adequate accounting data is compiled to allow for the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. The internal controls being used are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that these objectives are met. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that the costs of control procedures are weighed against the expected benefits to be derived, and that the evaluation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management. As a recipient of federal, state and local financial assistance, the Town is also responsible for ensuring that adequate internal controls are in place to ensure and document compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to these programs.

Independent Audit: State statutes require an annual audit by independent certified public accountants. The accounting firm of Runyon Kersteen Ouellette, Certified Public Accountants, performed for the Town Council the annual audit for fiscal year end June 30, 2006. The auditor's report on the basic financial statements and combining and individual fund statements and schedules is included in the financial section of this report. In the opinion of the independent auditor, the Town of Gorham's basic financial statements, as of June 30, 2006, present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States

of America. The auditors were required to do a single audit under OMB Circular A-133 as the Town received more than \$500,000 in federal funds. Information related to this single audit, including a schedule of federal financial assistance, findings, recommendations and the independent auditor's reports on the internal control structure and compliance with applicable laws and regulations are included in a separately issued single audit report. This report is available at the Finance Office at the Municipal Center.

Accounting Principles Generally Accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) require that management provide a narrative introduction, overview and analysis to accompany the basic financial statements in the form of Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A). This letter of transmittal is designed to complement the MD&A and should be read in conjunction with it. The Town of Gorham, Maine's MD&A can be found immediately following the report of the independent auditors.

#### **Profile of the Government**

The Town of Gorham is located in Cumberland County, approximately nine miles west of downtown Portland and is bordered by the Towns of Scarborough, Buxton, Standish, Windham and Westbrook. The land area is 59.88 square miles with a population of 15,145 residents as of the July 2004 US Census estimate. The Town is a suburban community and is comprised of a mix of residential, local business, industrial, and commercial activity. The University of Southern Maine has a campus located within walking distance of the Village Center. Routes 25 and 114 provide convenient access to Gorham.

The Town operates under a charter initially adopted in 1967, providing for a Council-Manager form of government. The Council is comprised of seven members, elected at large for three-year staggered terms. The Charter grants to the Town Council all powers to enact, amend, or repeal rules, ordinances and resolutions relating to the Town's property, affairs and government, to preserve the public peace, health and safety, to establish personnel policies and giving effect to any vote of the Town and to authorize the issuance of debt subject to referendum approval by the voters of the Town. The Town Manager is the chief executive officer and is responsible for the administration of council policy.

The Town provides general governmental services for the territory within its boundaries, including police and fire protection, maintenance of highways, streets and sidewalks, parks, recreation, and library. The Town operates its education program for grades K through 12 under its own supervision. The Town's Charter provides that the Department of Education for the Town be administered by a School Board comprised of seven members. Portland Water District provides the management and maintenance of the Town's sewer service and wastewater treatment.

Budgeting Controls: Article V of the Town's Charter provides for a budget process. The fiscal year or budget year of the Town begins on the first day of July and ends on the thirtieth day of June of the following calendar year. The Charter provides that the town and school budgets be submitted by the Town Manager to the Council on or before 60 days prior to the first day of each fiscal year. The Superintendent of Schools on or before 70 days prior to the first day of each fiscal year must submit to the Town Manager the Schools' budget request in both summary and in detailed analysis. The summary shall be compatible for incorporation into the town budget. Upon receipt of the Town Manager's budget, the Council shall set a

time and place for a public hearing on the town budget as received by the Council. Following the public hearing, the Council shall consider all relevant information received and adopt a budget for the fiscal year. If the Council fails to adopt a budget on or before the first day of each fiscal year, the town budget as submitted by the Town Manger shall become the adopted budget of the town for the fiscal year. The budget is prepared by fund, function (e.g. public safety), and department (e.g. police). Department heads may transfer resources within a department as they see fit. Transfers between departments, however, need special approval from the governing council.

## **Local Economy**

The Town's assessed value for tax year 2005-2006 is \$869,744,400 (excludes the valuation attributable to the State Homestead Exemption), an approximate increase of 0.028% from the tax year 2004-2005 assessment. It should be noted that effective with the 2005-2006 tax year, the State of Maine increased the Homestead Exemption from its 3-tierred system to a flat \$13,000 with only 50% being reimbursed to municipalities. Therefore, the Town of Gorham experienced a "reduction" in its assessed value due to this change. Approximately 27% of the tax base is commercial and industrial with the remainder being residential (these figures include vacant parcels as well as developed parcels). The Town's rate of tax collection continues to be strong with a 96.8% for last year and 97.1% for this year. The Town's legal debt margin is set by State law at 15% of its state assessed value. Currently, the Town's outstanding debt is 2.65% of the state assessed value.

In the past two decades, Gorham has been one of the fastest growing communities in the Portland Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA). Increasing population levels and the ability to commute to work have resulted in housing growth well above the state average. The 2000 population of Gorham was 14,141 according to the U.S. Census Bureau and the Bureau's population estimate as of July 1, 2004 puts Gorham's population at 15,145.

During calendar year 2005, the Code office issued permits for 91 single-family dwellings, 16 commercial/institutional structures, and 41 condominium units. This is a 17% increase over the 126 permits issued in calendar year 2004 for single-family dwellings, condos, and commercial structures. The major increase was in the number of permits issued for condos. In calendar year 2004 only 13 permits were issued compared to the 41 issued in 2005 for condos, a 315% increase. Gorham is an attractive community for retirees with the University of Southern Maine's main campus located in the downtown area and developers have been targeting this sector by constructing condominium units for those over 55.

Although the number of commercial/industrial permits issued in 2005 was down 30% when compared to 2004, the Town has seen a number of businesses moving into Town as well as expansion projects being undertaken during 2006.

In July 2005, Jotul North America, a manufacturer of wood and gas burning stoves, leased the former Sebago Shoe building on Hutcherson Drive in the Gorham Industrial Park. The move allows Jotul to consolidate its two previous locations in Portland and Westbrook to the 117,000 sq. foot building providing for a more efficient facility, while maintaining their highly qualified workforce.

In October 2005, Moody's Collision Center announced plans to expand its current facilities on Narragansett Street by purchasing an adjacent parcel. This expansion will allow Moody's to add six acres of vehicle storage and build a new 17,000 sq. foot facility. Construction began in Spring 2006. Also, the Town Council at its June 6, 2006 meeting approved a tax increment financing district for the Moody's expansion to assist the business with bringing phase 3 power to the site of the expansion.

Also in October 2005, the renovation work on the old Shaw School into new municipal offices and community center began. The Town anticipates the project to be completed by October 2006. The School's Superintendent, Business Office, Technology Support Services and Special Education, along with the Town's Planning Department are moving into the renovated second floor office space, while the following Town offices will occupy the renovated first floor space: Recreation, Cable TV, Code and Assessing, Town Manager, Finance, and Town Clerk. A permanent meeting place for the Town Council, Planning Board, and other boards and committees will occupy the renovated auditorium. In the gym wing, which will be occupied by the Recreation Department, there is space for community activities such as a senior center, activity rooms, as well as a fully functional gymnasium.

In November 2005, the Town Council accepted a deed from S.B. Gorham (Shaw Brothers) for a 7.5 acre park on the Presumpscot River. The park, appropriately named Shaw Park, is located at 55 Partridge Lane, off Route 237. Shaw Park facilities include a 60 foot baseball diamond complete with brick dugouts and fencing, a multi-purpose playing field, a car-top canoe/kayak river access area, storage shed, snack shack, picnic tables, benches, bike rack, basketball hoop, public restrooms, parking lots, and access to hiking trails. The park's hiking trails include the Mountain Division Trail and the new Presumpscot River Loop Trail as well as the new Gambo pedestrian bridge.

In April 2006, the University of Southern Maine broke ground for a new \$21 million, 296-bed residence hall, with a planned opening date of Fall 2007. The residence's hall will be a combination of apartment-style and suite-style rooms and the ground floor will also include conference rooms that would double as classrooms.

Several road projects will be undertaken beginning in Fall 2006 either by the State of Maine's Department of Transportation or the Portland Water District. These projects include: Rte 202/237 sewer project, Rte 114 project, and Rte 25/237 intersection project (Mosher's Corner).

The Route 202 and Route 237 sewer project will install a new sewer line to provide sewer to areas of Windham and North Gorham. The new sewer line will start on Route 202 in the Little Falls area and continue south through the round-a-bout, down Route 237, and across Route 25, where it will connect into an existing sewer line near the Gorham Industrial Park. The Portland Water District anticipates construction to begin in late Fall 2006 and take 12 to 15 months to complete.

The Route 114 project will entail making improvements to the 114 corridor between Gorham Village and Standish. It is anticipated that site distances will be improved and adjustments to the grade will be done in several places along the road. This is a State funded road project with no local money required. Also, while the State is making their road improvements, the

Portland Water District will be extending as well as improving current water lines from Gorham Village up to Huston Road.

The intersection of Route 25 and Route 237, known as Mosher's Corner, will finally be addressed by the State's Department of Transportation. The intersection, which currently is a triangle, will be reworked to bring Route 237 to a point and a traffic signal will be installed. It is anticipated that some turn lanes will be added to improve traffic flow. This project is being funded with state and federal funds through the State's hazard elimination safety money.

In the 2005 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, it was noted that Congress had passed its Highway Bill, which included \$15,720,000 to fund phase I of the long awaited Gorham Bypass. It was also noted that the State of Maine had allocated \$2.5 million towards the project. Phase I of the Gorham Bypass will consist of building a 3.4 mile-long, 2 lane, limited access highway between Route 25 at Brandy Brook Hill, across Flaggy Meadow Road, across Route 202, and end near Waterhouse Road on Route 114. The road will be built within a 200-ft. right of way. At this time, it is estimated that construction will not begin until late 2007 given the number of land acquisitions. It is anticipated that seven residences and one commercial property would be taken in their entirety, and other land would be purchased in part.

The Town of Gorham's gross budget for 2006 showed an increase of 6.46% over 2005. However, there was a decrease of \$0.50 in the mill rate for 2006, which was a 2.50% decrease. The following is a comparison of the FY2006 mill rate to the FY2005 mill rate.

	FY2004 – 2005	FY 2005 – 2006	\$ Incr/(Decr)	% Chg
Town's Tax Rate	\$ 5.06	\$ 5.76	\$ 0.70	13.85
School's Tax Rate	\$14.20	\$12.98	(\$ 1.22)	-8.57
County's Tax Rate	\$ 0.74	\$ 0.76	\$ 0.02	2.11

This is the first year that the Town and School had to develop budgets under the State of Maine's Property Tax Initiative known as LD 1. The purpose of LD 1 is to curb government spending and reduce the tax burden, particularly the property tax burden. LD 1, passed in June 2004, proposes to:

- increases the state share of education funding each year, achieving 55% in 2009,
- caps spending growth at all government levels, and
- directs more money to tax relief programs such as the Maine Residents Property
  Tax Relief Program, which provides property tax rebates to eligible Maine
  citizens.

The Town's expenditure budget saw an increase of 10.8% primarily due to the new principal and interest debt payments for the additional funding required to complete the project to convert the Shaw School into a Municipal Center, which increased the debt service budget by \$425,000 or 71%. The Town Council also approved increased spending for capital equipment and capital projects by doubling the FY2005 amount appropriated, an increase of \$283,000. Please see more details about the capital equipment and projects under the Major

Initiatives section. Finally, the Town needed to increase its funding for solid waste by \$120,000 or 17% due to the increased costs from ecomaine. However, the Town's non-property tax revenues also saw an increase of 7.7% primarily due to vehicle excise taxes, transfers in from capital reserve funds, revenue sharing and building permit fees. It should be noted that the Town Council voted to increase the property tax levy limit, or the municipal limit, to \$4,663,023 from the calculated limit of \$4,289,014, primarily due to the new debt service to renovate the old Shaw School into municipal offices and a community center.

The School's 4.93% increase in expenditures can be contributed to the following factors: 3.9% increase for existing programs, mainly increases in salary and benefits; 0.5% for needed new positions; and 0.5% for previously grant funded positions. Although the School Department's gross budget increased by 4.93%, the School Department's non-property tax revenues were up 19.81% primarily due to the increased aid to education subsidy from the State of Maine. The State subsidy allocation based upon the new EPS (Essential Program and Services) funding model netted Gorham an increase of \$2,911,000 or a 30% increase in funding. This has resulted in an 8.57% decrease in the School's tax rate.

## **Major Initiatives**

On November 8, 2005, the voters were asked to authorize the borrowing of up to \$1,340,000, 27% of the project's estimated \$4,900,000 price tag, to pay the Town's portion of the road improvement costs for Libby Avenue and Brackett Road. The voters approved the referendum question and it is estimated that the State D.O.T. will begin work in the summer of 2007.

The fiscal year 2006 capital equipment and capital project appropriations equaled \$273,565 and \$290,000 respectively. The capital equipment funds are for:

- 1. \$70,365, to purchase three police cruisers
- 2. \$27,100, to make the second lease payment (five year lease) on a dump truck and a pickup truck for the Public Works Department
- 3. \$176,100, to lease/purchase two replacement dump trucks for Public Works (see note below)

Note: At the Town Council meeting on October 4, 2005, the Council approved the use of \$55,000 in FEMA reimbursement funds to supplement the \$176,100 approved in the fiscal year 2006 budget to lease purchase two dump trucks so that the two dump trucks could be purchased outright.

The capital projects funded in fiscal year 2006 were:

1. \$280,000, to fund road projects. The Town of Gorham has approximately 261 public roads consisting of over 135 miles of Town roads and 12.5 miles of State roads. The Town also has approximately 17.2 miles of sidewalks to maintain and three bridges that are maintained by the Town. The Public Works Department, through a pavement management system, annually evaluates the roads to determine level of

maintenance/repair and cost to maintain/repair. A prioritized list is generated from this database.

The Town of Gorham has a fund balance policy (see Note 2, STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE & ACCOUNTABILITY, A. BUDGETARY INFORMATION) and the amount in excess of the required fund balance can be used for one-time capital equipment/project purchases. During fiscal year 2006, there was \$308,071 in funds available for allocation to capital equipment and capital project needs. The Town Council approved at their May 10, 2005 meeting as part of the adopted budget the use of the excess undesignated fund balance of \$308,071 to fund road projects.

With the \$280,000 budget request and the \$308,071 in excess undesignated fund balance, the total amount available for road projects in fiscal year 2006 was \$588,071. However, out of the \$588,071, the Town has reserved \$60,400 as the local share of a Safe Route to Schools grant received to build a sidewalk on South Street. The balance of these funds will be able to fund the first seven projects identified this year by Public Works as roads with the most crucial need for repairs.

Road	Length	Type of Repair	E	Estimated Cost	C	umulative Cost
Miscellaneous		Full depth patching	\$	50,000	\$	50,000
New Portland Road	2.37	Shim & surface		165,215	•	215,215
New Portland Road	0.43	Base & surface		113,520		328,735
Buck Street	1.10	Shim & surface		76,682		405,417
Winslow Road	0.69	Shim & surface		48,101		453,518
Whipple Road	0.19	Shim & surface		13,245		466,763
Cressey Road (Flaggy	0.29	Base & surface		61,248		528,011
Meadow to Rte 25)				,		020,011
Harding Road	0.63	Shim & surface		43,918		571,929
Hickory Lane	0.24	Shim & surface		16,731		588,660
Old Oak Lane	0.08	Shim & surface		5,577		594,237
Line Road	1.53	Base & surface		218,117		812,354
Osborne Road	0.76	Shim & surface		52,980		865,334
Plummer Road	1.45	Base & surface		206,712	1	1,072,046
Running Springs Road	0.52	Shim & surface		36,250		1,108,296
Mighty Street	2.08	Base & surface		296,525		1,404,821

1. \$10,000, to fund NPDES (National Pollution Discharge Elimination System) Phase II. The funds will be used to continue implementing this federally mandated program to control storm water runoff. The Town is working cooperatively with ten other communities in an effort to address this program regionally and cost effectively.

In an effort to improve the Town's management practices and establish specific guidelines for the Treasurer and the Finance Director with respect to investing the Town's funds, an investment policy was developed. The Finance Committee reviewed the policy and suggested minor changes along with the Town's Attorney. At the Town Council's April 4, 2006 meeting, the Council adopted the revised Investment Policy.

#### **Other Information**

Awards: The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Town of Gorham, Maine for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2005. This was the third year in a row that the Town has achieved this prestigious award. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized comprehensive annual financial report. This report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

Acknowledgements: I would like to express my gratitude to the various departments for providing the necessary information needed to complete sections of the Town's fourth comprehensive annual financial report. I would also like to extend my thanks to the Town Manager, David Cole, and the Gorham Town Council for their continued support of my efforts to improve the Town's level of financial reporting. I would like to acknowledge our independent auditors, Runyon Kersteen Ouellette, for the professional audit work provided and the continued support and assistance.

Sincerely,

Maureen R. Finger Finance Director

Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting

Presented to

# Town of Gorham, Maine

For its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2005

A Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting is presented by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada to government units and public employee retirement systems whose comprehensive annual financial reports (CAFRs) achieve the highest standards in government accounting and financial reporting.

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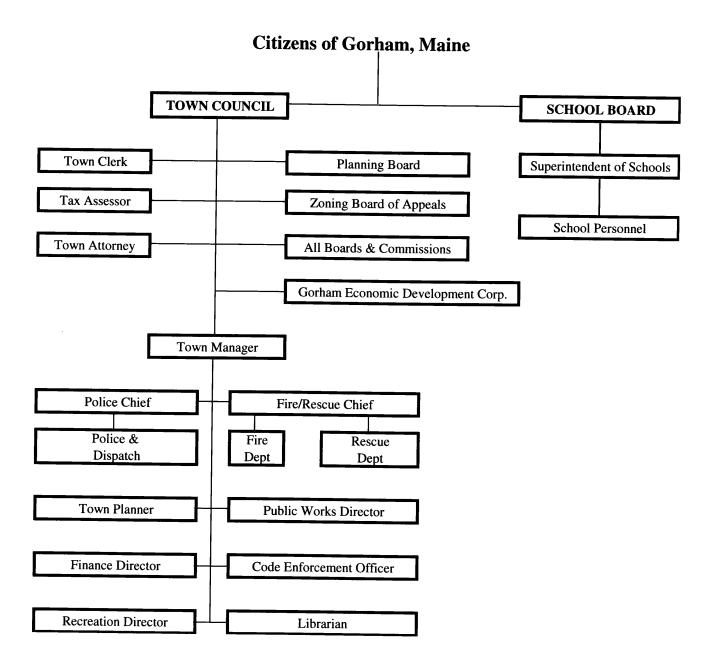
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# Town of Gorham, Maine Organizational Chart



# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE List of Principal Officials June 30, 2006

Michael J. Phinney, Council Chairman Philip A. Dugas Burleigh H. Loveitt Calvin H. Hamlin Matthew J. Robinson Norman E. Justice, Jr. Jane S. Willett David O. Cole, Town Manager Christina Silberman, Town Clerk Michael D'arcangelo, Tax Assessor Clinton Cushman, Jr., C.E.O. Thomas E. Ellsworth, Econ. Dev. Director Maureen R. Finger, Finance Director Robert S. Lefebvre, Fire Chief Pamela E. Turner, Librarian Deborah F. Fossum, Planner Ronald W. Shepard, Police Chief Robert J. Burns, Jr., Public Works Director Cynthia A. Hazelton, Recreation Director James J. Hager, Jr., School Board Chairman Steven R. Caldwell Jason P. Libby Rose Marie South Roger L. Marchand **Dennis Libby** Janet Williams Theodore G. Sharp, School Superintendent

Paul A. Kelly, School Business Manager

# FINANCIAL SECTION

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# Independent Auditor's Report

Town Council
Town of Gorham, Maine

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Gorham, Maine as of and for the year ended June 30, 2006, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Gorham, Maine as of June 30, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated September 14, 2006, on our consideration of the Town of Gorham, Maine's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should considered in assessing the results of our audit.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis, as listed in the table of contents, is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Town Council Town of Gorham, Maine

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Gorham, Maine's basic financial statements. The introductory section, combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, and statistical section are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The introductory and statistical sections have not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

September 14, 2006

South Portland, Maine

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# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

This section of the Town of Gorham's annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the Town's financial performance during the fiscal year that ended on June 30, 2006. We encourage the readers to consider the information presented in conjunction with the Town's financial statements, which follow this section.

#### **Financial Highlights**

- The total assets of the Town of Gorham exceed its liabilities by \$31,777,452, an increase of \$3,312,235 or 11.6% when compared to the beginning net asset figure of \$28,465,217.
- The ending fund balance for Governmental Funds is \$14,166,817. Although expenditures exceeded revenues by \$3,719,049, with capital lease proceeds of \$330,058 and general obligation bond proceeds of \$5,000,000, the net change was an increase of \$1,611,009.
- The General Fund's ending fund balance is \$6,794,609, an increase of \$994,678 over the prior year's ending fund balance of \$5,799,931. Of the \$6,794,609, \$298,828 is reserved for encumbrances, \$15,097 is reserved for trash bag inventory and \$691,735 is designated for capital projects, accrued compensated absences and self-funded programs. A detail listing can be found in the notes to basic financial statements, NOTE 16, DESIGNATED FUND BALANCE.
- The Town of Gorham has a fund balance policy. The Town must maintain a General Fund and Special Revenue Fund (School Operations Fund) balance of at least 8% of the yearly School, Town, and Cumberland County appropriations. The combined General Fund and Special Revenue Fund School Operations Fund undesignated fund balances as of June 30, 2006 was \$3,770,322 or 9.6% of the total FY07 budgeted appropriations. The Town Council uses any excess funds to fund the capital needs of the community as deemed appropriate. The Town Council generally reviews and approves the capital projects during the annual budget process.
- The Town of Gorham's general obligation debt increased by \$2,305,354 or a 7.6% increase in the outstanding bonded debt total. In September 2005, a \$5,000,000 general obligation bond was issued for the renovation of the old Shaw School into a municipal and community center.

## **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This annual report consists of three parts – management's discussion and analysis, the basic financial statements, and unaudited statistical tables. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the Town:

## Government-wide Statements

The Governmental-Wide Financial Statements present the financial picture of the Town from the economic resources measurement focus using the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to what private-sector companies use. These statements present governmental activities and business type activities separately.

The statement of net assets includes *all* of the government's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report the Town's *net assets* and how they have changed. Net assets – the difference between the Town's assets and liabilities – is one way to measure the Town's financial health, or position. Over time, increases or decreases in the Town's net assets are an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.

These statements are divided into two categories: governmental activities and business-type activities.

- Governmental activities Most of the Town's basic services are included here, such as the police, fire, public works, education, and general administration. Property taxes, and state and federal grants finance most of these activities.
- Business-type activities Currently, the Town of Gorham does not have any business-type activities to report.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the Town's most significant *funds* – not the Town as a whole. Funds are accounting devices that the Town uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes.

The Town has two kinds of funds -- governmental, and fiduciary.

Governmental funds – Most of the Town's basic services are included in governmental funds. These fund statements tell how general government services were financed in the current year as well as what remains (fund balance) for future spending. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash.

• Fiduciary funds – The Town is the trustee, or fiduciary, for the School Activity fund and the private purpose trust fund (scholarships). The Town excludes this activity from its other financial statements because the Town cannot use these assets to fund operations.

# Reporting the Town's Fiduciary Responsibilities

The Town is the trustee, or fiduciary, for the various school activity accounts and Trust Funds that are set up primarily as scholarships. These assets, because of a trust arrangement, can only be used for trust beneficiaries. All of the Town's fiduciary activities are reported in separate Statements of Fiduciary Net Assets and Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets on pages 44 and 45. The Town excludes these activities from the Town's other financial statements because the Town cannot use these assets to finance its operations. The Town is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes.

# Reporting the Town as a Whole

#### **Net Assets**

The following is a condensed version of the Statement of Net Assets.

	Governmental Activities			
	2006	2005	\$ Chg	% Chg
Current & other assets	\$21,328,020	\$18,481,686	\$2,846,334	15.4%
Capital assets, net	51,444,258	47,464,464	<u>3,979,794</u>	8.4%
Total assets	72,772,278	5,946,150	6,826,128	10.4%
Long-term debt outstanding	34,170,994	31,758,437	2,412,557	7.6%
Other liabilities	6,823,832	5,722,496	1,101,336	19.2%
Total liabilities	\$40,994,826	\$37,480,933	\$3,513,893	9.4%
Net assets:				
Invested in:				
Capital assets, net of related debt	17,962,590	16,377,091	1,585,499	9.7%
Restricted	384,443	352,781	31,662	9.0%
Unrestricted	13,430,419	11,735,345	1,695,074	14.4%
Total net assets	\$31,777,452	\$ 28,465,217	\$ 3,312,235	11.6%

The increase of \$2,846,334 in the current and other assets category is primarily due to the increase in investments of \$2,860,788, which can be attributed to the remaining bond proceeds at June 30, 2006 of the \$5,000,000 GO bonds issued in September 2005.

The Capital Asset disclosure in the notes to the financial statements, see Note 6, shows how the change in capital assets, net of \$3,979,794 resulted.

The Long-term Debt disclosure in the notes to the financial statements, see Note 10, shows how the change in long-term debt outstanding of \$2,412,557 resulted.

The change in the other liabilities of \$1,101,336 is a combination of the following:

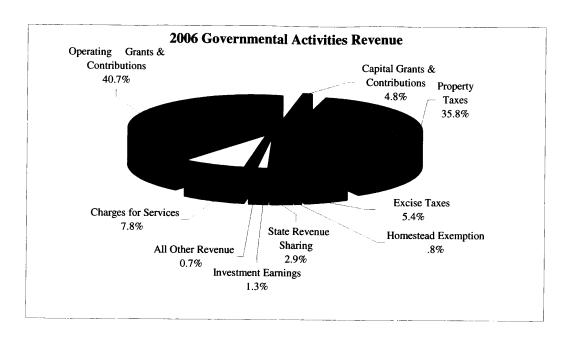
- an increase of \$897,237 in the accounts payable and other liabilities category, which is primarily due to the year-end payables to the general contractor and other vendors working on the renovation project of the Shaw School; and
- an increase of \$278,340 in the accounts payable and other liabilities category, which is due to the increase in the cash performance escrow accounts held as of June 30, 2006 from various developers.

## **Changes in Net Assets**

The following is a condensed version of the Statement of Activities.

	Governmental Activities			
	2006	2005	\$ Chg	% Chg
Revenues:				
Program revenues				
Charges for services	\$ 3,667,704	\$ 3,365,714	\$ 301,990	9.0%
Operating grants & contributions	19,244,840	16,493,334	2,751,506	16.7%
Capital grants & contributions	2,262,981	1,800,096	462,885	25.7%
General revenues				
Property taxes	16,918,807	17,234,005	(315,198)	-1.8%
Payment in lieu of taxes	55,469	51,083	4,386	8.6%
Motor vehicle & boat excise taxes	2,480,592	2,359,645	120,947	5.1%
Grants and contributions not restricted				
to specific programs				
Homestead exemption	379,972	369,434	10,538	2.9%
Other state aid	31,716	27,807	3,909	14.1%
State revenue sharing	1,372,122	1,302,053	70,069	5.4%
Investment earnings	628,511	273,500	355,011	129.8%
Miscellaneous revenues	251,818	245,789	6,029	2.5%
Total revenues:	47,294,532	43,522,460	3,772,072	8.7%
Expenses:				
General government	4,023,144	3,925,978	97,166	2.5%
Public safety	2,979,424	2,879,251	100,173	3.5%
Public works	3,517,160	3,262,818	254,342	7.8%
Health & welfare	45,423	52,415	(6,992)	-13.3%
Recreation, library & museum	1,229,648	1,264,777	(35,129)	-2.8%
Development	414,130	377,263	36,867	9.8%
Education	30,564,714	27,770,333	2,794,381	10.1%
Interest on debt	1,370,154	1,306,889	63,265	4.8%
Total expenses:	44,143,797	40,839,724	3,304,073	8.1%
Excess (deficiency) before	, , ,	, ,	0,001,012	0.170
special items and transfers	3,150,735	2,682,736	467,999	17.4%
Special items	161,500	_,,	161,500	n/a
Increase (decrease) in net assets:	3,312,235	2,682,736	629,499	23.5%
, ,	, ,	_,,-	,	20.070

Approximately 35.8% of the Town's revenues come from property taxes, while 40.7% comes from operating grants and contributions. Approximately 74% of the operating grants and contributions revenue source comes from state aid to education and state construction aid. The following pie chart shows the sources of revenue for fiscal year 2006.

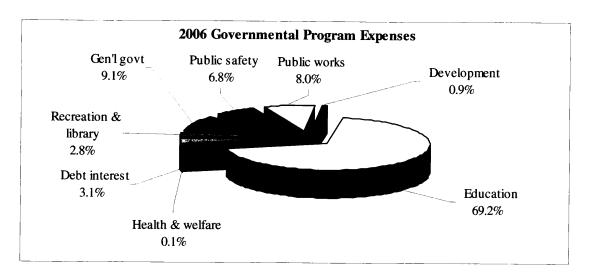


I would like to note that the County Tax for fiscal year 2006 have been allocated to the General Government category, and the fiscal year 2005 figures have been adjusted to reflect this change. Also, the expenses for the renovation work on the old Shaw School into a new municipal/community center was previously reported under the Recreation category but in fiscal year 2006, I have reported it in the General Government category with the fiscal year 2005 figures being adjusted to reflect the reporting change.

Education, which makes up 69.8% of the expenses for fiscal year 2006, increased by \$2,794,381 and is attributed to higher employee benefit costs, an increase in the MSR onbehalf payments, higher depreciation expense, and higher energy costs such as heating fuel, electricity, and gas and diesel. Also, in fiscal year 2005, approximately \$415,000 more in capital assets was capitalized when compared to fiscal year 2006.

The Public Works category increase is primarily due to an increase in the road and road projects completed during fiscal year 2006. When compared to fiscal year 2005, \$254,342 more was expended on road and road projects during fiscal year 2006 and is reflected in the Public Works expense category.

The following pie chart shows functional expenses for fiscal year 2006.



#### **Governmental Activities**

The cost of all governmental activities was \$44,143,797. However, as shown on the Statement of Activities, the amount that the taxpayers of Gorham ended up financing was \$16,918,807 or 38.3%, because some of the cost was paid by those who directly benefit from the programs --\$3,667,704, or by other governments and organizations that subsidized certain programs with operating grants and contributions -- \$19,244,840, and capital grants and contributions --\$2,262,981. The Town also received \$5,200,200 in other general revenues, such as State Revenue Sharing, motor vehicle and boat excise taxes, homestead exemption, and interest earnings, to fund operations during fiscal year 2006. Also during fiscal year 2006, the Town sold a property it no longer deemed necessary for a possible by-pass road in the New Portland Road area for \$161,500.

The Town's governmental activities include general government, public safety, public works, health & welfare, recreation, library & museum, development, education, and interest on debt. Note: the general government activity includes insurance, employee benefits, unclassified, and county tax expenditures.

Governmental activities resulted in an increase to the Town of Gorham's net assets of \$3,312,235.

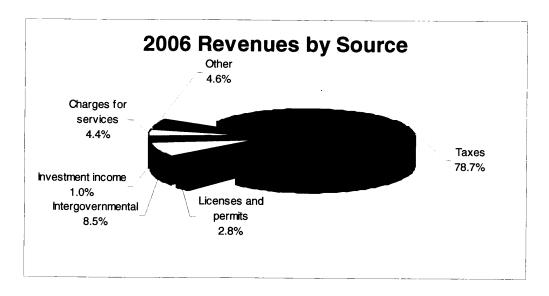
#### The Town's Funds

The following is an analysis of the balances in the Town's major individual funds.

# **General Major Governmental Functions**

The following table summarizes the fiscal year 2006 revenues by source for the General Fund with the 2005 information for comparison while the pie chart summaries the 2006 revenues by source. Information is from Statement 4.

	<u>2006</u>	<u> 2005</u>	\$ Chg	% Chg
Revenues by source:				
Taxes	\$19,152,643	\$19,353,785	\$(201,142)	-1.0%
Licenses and permits	671,498	478,148	193,350	40.4%
Intergovernmental	2,074,424	2,102,286	(27,862)	-1.3%
Investment income	243,115	110,166	132,949	120.7%
Charges for services	1,064,714	885,825	178,889	20.2%
Other	1,121,613	936,529	185,084	<u>19.8</u> %
Total revenue	\$24,328,007	\$23,866,739	\$461,268	1.9%



General Fund revenues increased by 1.9% over the fiscal year 2005 amount. Below are some of the reasons for the changes in the revenue sources.

Taxes: The net appropriation or local tax requirement for FY2006 decreased by 2.23% or \$395,035 from the FY2005 level, with the primary decrease due to the Education budget, which received an increase in State Aid to Education funding from the State of Maine of 30.2% or \$2,911,394. The result of the additional State Aid dropped the need for local tax dollars to fund Education by \$1,047,633 or 8.3%. Conversely, the Municipal side required an additional \$604,046 or 14.9% in local tax dollars to fund its FY06 budget. The primary cause for the increase on the municipal side was the addition of \$446,491 in the debt service budget to cover the debt service payments related to the new bond issue for the renovation of the Shaw School into a municipal/community center.

Licenses and permits: The building permits revenue was \$289,879 more than the FY06 estimate. As mentioned in the Introductory Section, the building activity in Gorham continues at a brisk pace and the new \$21 million residence hall at the University of Southern Maine contributed \$130,965 to the building permits revenue in May 2006.

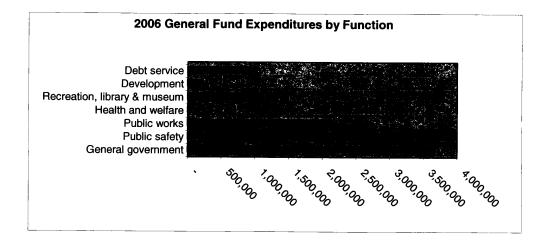
Interest income: During fiscal year 2006, interest rates started out in the low 3% range and ended up in the high 4% range with the average interest rate for fiscal year 2006 being 3.94% compared to the 1.76% for fiscal year 2005.

Charges for services: The major increase in this category is the fire and rescue fees. In January 2006, the Town Council approved increases in the various rescue fees and the last four or five months of the fiscal year reflected the impact of these increased fees. Also, the allowance for uncollectible rescue fees was reduced from \$70,000 to \$50,000, resulting in a lower year-end adjustment to the revenue account.

Other: The Town received \$177,864 in Homeland Security Grant funds during fiscal year 2006, which has contributed to the increase in the other category.

The following table summarizes the General Fund expenditures by function for fiscal year 2006 with 2005 information for comparison while the graph displays the General Fund expenditures by function for fiscal year 2006. Information is from Statement 4.

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	\$ Chg	% Chg
Expenditure by function:				_
General government	\$3,676,038	\$3,546,209	\$129,829	3.7%
Public safety	2,755,743	2,680,546	75,197	2.8%
Public works	2,139,946	2,146,064	(6,118)	-0.3%
Health and welfare	45,423	52,199	(6,776)	-13.0%
Recreation, library & museum	1,122,005	1,088,416	33,589	3.1%
Development	196,437	180,108	16,329	9.1%
Debt service	948,660	570,573	378,087	66.3%
Total expenditures	\$10,884,252	\$10,264,115	\$620,137	6.0%



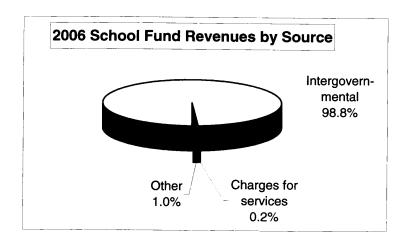
The General Fund expenditures increased by 6.0% over fiscal year 2005 levels. The biggest change was in the debt service, which increased by \$378,087 or 66.3%. As previously mentioned, the Town budgeted for the first principal and interest payments for the general obligation bonds issued in September 2005. The actual debt service repayment schedule was structured to have a November principal and interest payment and an interest payment in May to coincide with the Town's tax due dates. The actual first year debt service costs for this bond was \$387,025.

The primary cause for the increase in the general government function was the increase in retirement funding. The Town increased the 457 Plan match from 5% to 7% resulting in higher contribution expense.

The following table summarizes the fiscal year 2006 revenues by source for the Special Revenue Fund's School Operations Fund with 2005 information for comparison while the pie chart summaries the 2006 revenues by source. The information is from Statement 4.

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u> </u>	% Chg
Revenues by source:				
Intergovernmental	\$17,005,405	\$14,283,346	\$2,722,059	19.1%
Charges for services	28,153	21,132	7,021	33.2%
Other	180,849	168,037	12,812	<u>7.6</u> %
Total revenue	\$17,214,407	\$14,472,515	\$2,741,892	18.9%

The 18.9% increase in School Operation Fund revenues is primarily from the increased state aid to education and state construction aid, which amounted to an increase of \$2,911,394.

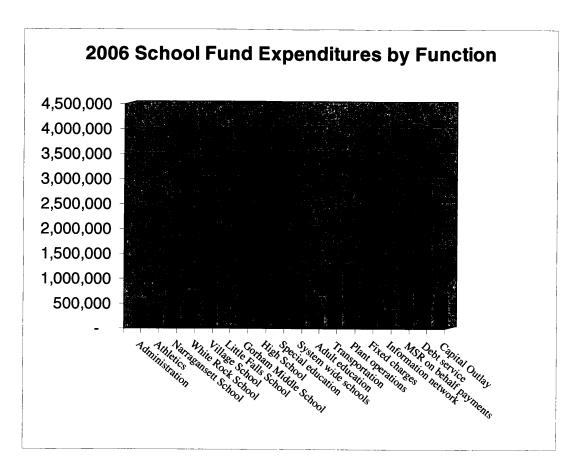


The following table summarizes the School Operations Fund expenditures by function for fiscal year 2006 with 2005 information for comparison while the graph displays the expenditures by function for fiscal year 2006. Information is from Statement 4. Following the table, an explanation of the major changes is provided.

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	\$ Chg	% Chg
<b>Expenses by function:</b>				
Administration	\$547,633	\$509,260	\$38,373	7.54%
Athletics	449,260	393,708	55,552	14.11%
Narragansett School	1,806,336	1,635,006	171,330	10.48%
White Rock School	710,238	666,154	44,084	6.62%
Village School	2,302,186	2,254,177	48,009	2.13%
Little Falls School	17,502	12,302	5,200	42.27%
Gorham Middle School	2,666,423	2,531,221	135,202	5.34%
High School	3,995,995	3,704,281	291,714	7.88%
Special education	3,311,619	3,107,455	204,164	6.57%
System wide schools	1,057,508	798,248	259,260	32.48%
Adult education	252,433	226,168	26,265	11.61%
Transportation	1,116,225	1,039,720	76,505	7.36%
Plant operations	1,284,346	1,199,031	85,315	7.12%
Fixed charges	4,018,719	3,508,064	510,655	14.56%
Information network	340,592	309,829	30,763	9.93%
MSR on-behalf payments	2,662,214	2,205,447	456,767	20.71%
Debt service	2,879,685	2,972,767	(93,082)	-3.13%
Capital Outlay	677,313	530,573	146,740	<u>27.66</u> %
<b>Total expenses</b>	\$30,096,227	\$27,603,411	\$2,492,816	9.03%

The School Operations Fund's expenditures are 9.0% higher than fiscal year 2005. The five functions that saw the greatest increases are as follows.

- The fixed charges were up \$510,655 primarily due to health insurance.
- The Maine State Retirement on-behalf payments, which are made by the State of Maine but reported in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance, were up 20.7% or \$456,767 due to the increase in the contribution rate from 17.77% to 19.15%. See note 7, PENSION PLANS for more information.
- The High School function was up \$291,714 or 7.9% primarily due to the following: teachers salaries up \$168,403 or 5.8%, added an Assistant Principal during FY06 at a cost of \$69,178, and higher energy costs of \$55,699 or 27% increase.
- The System-wide schools function was up 34.5% or \$259,260 due to the following: all textbook costs were shifted to this function impacting the category by \$123,944, approximately \$47,482 in additional district nurse salaries, approximately \$54,707 in additional staff development costs, and higher legal costs of approximately \$38,000.
- The last function that saw a significant increase was the Special Education function, which was up \$204,164 or 6.6%. This increase is primarily due to higher in-house instructional costs, while the student out-of-district tuition decreased by \$127,182 when compared to fiscal year 2005. Also, the Special Education department added a secretary during fiscal year 2006.



The following table summarizes the fiscal year 2006 revenues by source for the Special Revenue Fund's Capital Reserve Fund with 2005 information for comparison. The information is from Statement 4.

	<u> 2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	\$ Chg	% Chg
Revenue by source:				
Intergovernmental	\$ 15,253	\$ -	\$ 15,253	n/a
Investment income	303,181	80,750	222,431	275.5%
Charges for services	32,441	-	32,441	n/a
Unclassified	<u>554,957</u>	472,938	82,019	<u>17.3</u> %
Total revenues	\$905,832	\$553,688	\$ 352,144	63.6%

The major increase was in the investment income revenue source. The increase was, in part, due to the higher interest rates received on investments during fiscal year 2006, but also the interest earned on the unspent Municipal/Community Center bond proceeds.

The following table summarizes the Capital Reserve Fund expenditures by function for fiscal year 2006 with 2005 information for comparison. Information is from Statement 4.

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	\$ Chg	% Chg
<b>Expenses by function:</b>				
Roads and road projects	\$ 703,251	\$ 249,278	\$ 453,973	182.1%
Library and museum	17,813	29,106	(11,293)	-38.8%
Public works facilities	31,412	43,890	(12,478)	-28.4%
Municipal/community center	3,817,570	483,769	3,333,801	689.1%
All other	<u>488,406</u>	<u>301,616</u>	186,790	61.9%
<b>Total expenses</b>	\$ 5,058,452	\$ 1,107,659	\$ 3,950,793	356.7%

As you can see from the above table, the Special Revenue Fund's Capital Reserve Fund expenses for fiscal year 2006 were up significantly, 356.7% or \$3,950,793 from fiscal year 2005. The biggest increase was due to the renovation work being done on the old Shaw School to turn it into a joint municipal/community center.

It should also be noted that the roads and road projects function was up 182.1% or \$453,973. However, approximately \$200,000 was for work done at the end of the fiscal year (June 2006) for road projects identified in the fiscal year 2007 budget. Due to the year-end payable entry done to reflect the true period the expenditures occurred in, the designated fund balance shown in note 16 for paying is a negative \$166,713.

#### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The Town continues to meet its responsibilities for sound financial management. As shown in Statement 6, actual revenues exceed budgeted revenues by \$1,960,593, while actual expenditures were under budgeted appropriations by \$320,585. This resulted in a positive net effect of \$1,640,008. However, after transfers and changes in encumbrances, the net change in fund balance was a positive \$994,678.

The undesignated fund balance at \$5,788,949 is still a healthy figure and represents 14.7% of the total general fund and school operations fund budgeted appropriations for FY2007. The goal of the Town's fund balance policy is to maintain a General Fund and Special Revenue Fund (School Operations Fund) balance of at least 8% of the yearly School, Town, and Cumberland County appropriations. However, when the school operations fund's deficit balance of (\$2,018,627) is factored in the percentage drops to 9.6%. The Town's management anticipates that during the FY2008 budget process, the Council will utilize the undesignated fund balance in excess of the 8% for the Town's Capital Budget Part II.

The original (or adopted) budget for fiscal year 2005-2006 amount of \$37,226,212 (expenditures of \$36,599,647 plus transfers of \$626,565), compared to the final budget amount of \$37,636,920 (expenditures of \$37,010,355 plus transfers of \$626,565) reflects a change of \$410,708. The change is the result of prior period encumbrances being added to the various departments' appropriations. However, the prior period encumbrances are not reflected in the final budget figures on Statement 6 or Exhibit A-2. The following chart shows the changes made to the adopted budget during the fiscal year.

# FY 2005 - 2006 BUDGET

Dept	Original	Adjustment	Adjusted Budget	Pr Period Encumbrances	Final Adjusted Budget
General Government	\$1,041,724	\$61,975	\$1,103,699	\$54,610	\$1,158,309
Public Safety	2,726,230	38,262	2,764,492	141,906	2,906,398
Public Works	2,135,468	10,000	2,145,468	47,243	2,192,711
Health and Welfare	67,693	-	67,693	-	67,693
Recreation	610,170	-	610,170	11,672	621,842
Development	203,603	-	203,603	81,693	285,296
Insurances & Benefits	1,725,570	2,460	1,728,030	50,000	1,778,030
County Tax	677,471	-	677,471	-	677,471
Unclassified	275,160	(112,697)	162,463	15,684	178,147
Debt Service	1,020,107	-	1,020,107	7,900	1,028,007
Education	26,116,451	-	26,116,451	-	26,116,451
Budget Without Transfers:	36,599,647	-	36,599,647	410,708	37,010,355
Transfers to SRF - Econ Deve Fund	63,000	-	63,000	-	63,000
Transfers to SRF - Capital Reserve	563,565	-	563,565	-	563,565
Budget With Transfers:	\$37,226,212	-	\$37,226,212	\$410,708	\$37,636,920

# **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

# **Capital Assets**

At the end of fiscal year 2006, the Town had invested \$6,694,319 in a broad range of capital assets. The following chart identifies the assets that were added during fiscal year 2006 (includes the construction in progress projects – renovation of the old Shaw School into a municipal/community center).

	Category		Category Total
Land			
Recreation	Shaw Park, 7.5 acre park	\$303,800	
			303,800
Land improveme	nts		
Genl Govt	Municipal Center parking lot paved	15,922	
Recreation	Fencing at Shaw Park's multipurpose field	20,000	
			35,922
Buildings and bu	ilding improvements		ŕ
Pubic Works	Boiler for old Public Works Building	6,886	
Recreation	Brick concession stand at Shaw Park	50,000	
	Two (2) brick dugouts at Shaw Park	32,000	
			88,886
Machinery and e	quipment		
Public Safety	Police - microwave system/multiplexer	15,030	
	Police - talk-a-phone for Police/Dispatch	5,846	
	Fire - six (6) diesel exhaust removal systems	50,000	
	Fire - station alerting system	11,974	
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	Fire - voter system	26,341	
Recreation	Cable TV bulletin board system	7,648	
	Four (4) Dugout enclosures at Village School	4,145	
			120,984
Furniture and offi	ce equipment		, ,
Genl Govt	Mailing machine w/feeder & scale	4,506	
Public Safety	Fire - 6 station dehydrator (dryer)	5,767	
	Fire - Continental washer	7,815	
Recreation	Six (6) concrete picnic tables for Shaw Park	12,000	
			30,088
Computer equipm	ent		•
Public Safety	IBM server, Police Dept.	5,235	
			5,235
Vehicles			•
	Public Safety, Fire vehicles	16,997	
	Public Safety, Police vehicles	63,990	
	Public Works vehicles	311,936	
	School vehicles	118,012	_
		<del>-</del>	510,935
Infrastructure			
	Roads	1,793,842	
	Construction in progress	3,804,627	
			5,598,469
	Total Assets Added During FY200	6	\$6,694,319

During fiscal year 2006, a number of assets where transferred from one function/activity to another function/activity. The following chart shows these transfers.

Category	Function and Activity	Amount Transferred
Vehicles	Public Safety (Police), 2001 Chevy Impala Public Works, 2001 Chevy Impala Education, Transportation, 1991 School Bus Recreation, 1991 School Bus Public Safety (Police), 2001 Chevy Impala Public Works, 2001 Chevy Impala Public Safety (Police), 2001 Chevy Impala Public Works, 2001 Chevy Impala	\$(19,689) 19,689 (45,939) 45,939 (19,689) 19,689 (19,689) 19,689

The depreciation expense for 2006 was \$2,554,525. The following is a summary of the Town of Gorham's capital assets, net of depreciation. This amount represents a net increase (including additions and deductions) of \$3,979,794 or 8.4%, over last fiscal year.

# Capital Assets (net of depreciation)

	Governme	ntal Activities		
	<u>2006</u>	<u> 2005</u>	\$ Change	% Chg
Land	\$1,722,959	\$1,579,159	\$143,800	9.1%
Books/Historical Treasures/Artwork	1,090,274	1,090,274	-	0.0%
Construction in Progress	4,447,477	642,850	3,804,627	591.8%
Land improvements	3,734,999	3,863,000	(128,001)	-3.3%
Buildings and building improvements	28,683,175	29,752,879	(1,069,704)	-3.6%
Machinery and equipment	895,611	889,748	5,863	0.7%
Furniture and office equipment	1,190,450	1,392,345	(201,895)	-14.5%
Computer equipment	52,114	73,633	(21,519)	-29.2%
Vehicles	2,726,453	2,719,211	7,242	0.3%
Infrastructure	<u>6,900,746</u>	5,461,365	1,439,381	26.4%
	Totals \$51,444,258	\$47,464,464	\$3,979,794	8.4%

The Town has appropriated \$495,930 in fiscal year 2007 for the following capital expenditures: two police cruisers, the third lease payment for a pickup truck and dump truck, the lease purchase over 5 years of a plow truck, a front end loader, a street sweeper and a trackless tractor or sidewalk plow, and various road projects. Additionally, the Council allocated \$186,998 in undesignated fund balance, which was in excess of the 8% fund balance policy to add funds to the rescue reserve account, provide additional funds for road projects, funds to purchase a vital records software program and cemetery maintenance software, and provide additional funds to complete the installation of air handling systems at the outlying fire stations.

More information on the Town's capital assets is presented in the notes to the financial statements. See NOTE 1 G, SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CAPITAL ASSETS, and NOTE 6, CAPITAL ASSETS.

#### **Debt Administration**

As of June 30, 2006, the Town had a total of \$32,733,250 of outstanding general obligation debt, and \$1,340,000 in authorized but unissued debt. The Town's outstanding general obligation bonds as of June 30, 2006 is \$2,305,354 more than last fiscal year – an increase of 7.6%.

The Town of Gorham currently has an A1 rating from Moody's on its general obligation bond issues. The Town's outstanding indebtedness is only 2.65% of the State's equalized value.

More detailed information on the Town's long-term debt is presented in NOTE 10, LONG-TERM DEBT to the financial statements.

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

On May 9, 2006, the Town Council approved a total gross appropriation of \$39,349,709 to fund municipal and education operations, and the county tax. This is an increase of \$2,123,497 or 5.7% over the FY2006 appropriation. After applying non-property tax revenues, transfers and use of fund balance the FY2007 net appropriation is \$18,049,955, an increase of \$710,298 or 4.1%. The increase is primarily due to three factors:

- Anticipated new debt service for the Libby/Brackett Road construction project of \$150,300, and
- The appropriation of funds for a full year of operations at the new municipal/community center \$133,380,
- Reduction of \$187,631 in use of fund balance by the Gorham School Department, and
- Increase in overlay of \$200,807 and the tax increment-financing amount of \$32,561.

The assessed valuation for the Town went from \$889,213,200 to \$930,410,050, a 4.6% increase.

The Town of Gorham's tax rate went from \$19.50 to \$19.40, a decrease of 0.5%.

The Town's municipal appropriation is \$10,971,322, a 5.2% increase over the FY2006 budget. Included in the municipal budget are funds for the new principal and interest debt payments for the Libby/Brackett Road construction project, \$133,000 in additional funding for the Gorham Municipal/Community Center to reflect a full year of operational costs, and adjustments to many of the budgets to reflect the rising costs of heating, electricity, gas and diesel, as well as other services impacted by these rising costs. An increase in non-property tax revenues of \$354,246 or 6.5%, and transfers from the TIF Fund, have resulted in a net appropriation of \$4,927,806, an increase of 5.7% or \$264,783. The municipal tax rate will go from \$5.76 to \$6.04.

The Town's education budget is \$27,684,804; a 6.0% or an \$1,568,353 increase over the FY2006 budget. The major components of the budget increase included:

- 5.3% for existing programs (mainly increases in salary and benefits)
- 0.6% for increased energy costs

Although the School Department saw a reduction in their use of fund balance, a substantial increase in State Aid to Education funding of approximately \$1,865,000 resulted in a net education appropriation of \$11,736,688, a modest increase of \$196,035 or 1.7% from FY2006. The result is an education tax rate decrease of \$0.37 or 2.8%, and will go from \$12.98 per thousand to \$12.61 per thousand.

The county tax assessment was up 2.4% or \$16,112, resulting in a slight decrease in the tax rate for the County Tax. The rate went from \$0.76 to \$0.75.

# **Contacting the Town's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the Town's finances and to show the Town's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, contact the Finance Department, at the Town, 270 Main Street, Gorham, Maine 04038.

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**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** 

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# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Statement of Net Assets June 30, 2006

<b>June 30, 2006</b>		
	(	Governmental Activities
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	127,909
Investments	Ψ	17,322,229
Receivables:		17,322,229
Accounts		245,557
Intergovernmental		215,481
Rescue receivable (net of allowance of \$50,000)		114,204
Taxes receivable - current year		492,503
Taxes receivable - prior year		5,985
Tax liens		276,055
Notes		11,750
Inventory		35,300
Other		2,481,047
Non-depreciable capital assets		7,260,710
Depreciable capital assets, net		44,183,548
Total assets		72,772,278
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and other current liabilities		1,807,087
Accrued wages and benefits		2,265,361
Performance bond deposits		2,477,424
Middle School impact fees		273,960
Noncurrent liabilities		273,700
Due within one year		2,889,985
Due in more than one year		31,281,009
Total liabilities		40,994,826
NET ASSETS		·
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		17,962,590
Restricted for:		17,502,390
Nonexpendable trust principal		384,443
Unrestricted		13,430,419
Total net assets	\$	31,777,452
	Ψ	31,111,434

# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

		ī	Program Revenu		Net (expense) revenue and changes in
Functions/programs	Expenses	Charges for services	Operating grants and contributions	Capital _ grants and contributions	net assets Primary Government Governmental activities
Primary government:					
Governmental activities:					
General government	\$ 4,023,144	762,661	99,099	101,240	(3,060,144)
Public safety	2,979,424	435,752	381,193	21,878	(2,140,601)
Public works	3,517,160	1,181,418	327,669	1,425,336	(582,737)
Health & welfare	45,423	13,710	10,834	1,120,000	(20,879)
Recreation	1,229,648	513,804	22,855	602,290	(90,699)
Development	414,130	91,139	,	-	(322,991)
Education	30,564,714	669,220	18,403,190	112,237	(11,380,067)
Interest on debt	1,370,154	-	-	-	(1,370,154)
Total governmental activities	44,143,797	3,667,704	19,244,840	2,262,981	(18,968,272)
Total primary government	\$ 44,143,797	3,667,704	19,244,840	2,262,981	(18,968,272)
	General revenue	es:			
	Property taxe	s, levied for gen	eral purposes		16,918,807
	Payment in li				55,469
		e and boat excis	e taxes		2,480,592
			tricted to specific	c programs:	2,400,372
	Homestead ex		-F	F8	379,972
	Other State a				31,716
	State Revenu	e Sharing			1,372,122
		estment earning	S		628,511
	Miscellaneous r	evenues			251,818
	Special item - S	ale of Property			161,500
		evenues and trai	nsfers		22,280,507
		Change in net as	ssets		3,312,235
	Net assets - begi	inning			28,465,217
	Net assets - end	ling		\$	31,777,452

# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2006

		General	School Operations Fund	Capital Reserve Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmenta Funds
ASSETS						
Cash	\$	5,071	_	_	122,838	127,909
Investments	•	9,096,038	_	7,145,125	1,081,066	17,322,229
Receivables:		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		,,1 .5,125	1,001,000	17,322,223
Accounts		143,744	697	10,238	90,878	245,557
Rescue receivable (net of allowance of \$50,000)	)	114,204	-	10,200	-	114,204
Taxes receivable - current year		492,503	-	_	_	492,503
Taxes receivable - prior year		5,985	_	_	_	5,985
Tax liens		276,055	_	_	_	276,055
Notes			_	11,750	_	11,750
Due from other governments		_	115,991		99,490	215,481
Interfund loans receivable		_	409,163	585,197	1,705,590	2,699,950
Tax acquired property		3,623	-	-	1,705,570	3,623
Other assets - performance bonds & impact fees		2,477,424	_	_	_	2,477,424
Inventory		15,097	_	_	20,203	35,300
Total assets	\$	12,629,744	525,851	7,752,310	3,120,065	24,027,970
Accounts payable Accrued wages and benefits		698,263 94,860	24,519 2,170,501	791,621 -	24,104	
			2,170,501	-	-	2,265,361
Interfund loans payable Deferred revenues		1,777,628	184,338	521,235	216,749	2,699,950
Performance bond deposits		513,000	-	-	92,951	605,951
Middle school impact fees		2,477,424	-	-	-	
		273,960 5 835 135	2 270 259	1 212 956	222 904	273,960
Total liabilities		5,835,135	2,379,358	1,312,856	333,804	273,960
Total liabilities			2,379,358	1,312,856	333,804	273,960
Total liabilities Fund balances:			2,379,358		333,804	273,960 9,861,153
Total liabilities  fund balances:  Reserved for:		5,835,135		1,312,856	-	273,960 9,861,153 381,648
Total liabilities  Fund balances:  Reserved for:  Noncurrent receivables/encumbrances		5,835,135			384,443	273,960 9,861,153 381,648 384,443
Total liabilities  Fund balances:  Reserved for:  Noncurrent receivables/encumbrances  Nonexpendable trust principal		5,835,135			-	273,960 9,861,153 381,648 384,443
Total liabilities  fund balances:  Reserved for:  Noncurrent receivables/encumbrances  Nonexpendable trust principal  Inventory		5,835,135 298,828 15,097	71,070 - -	11,750 - -	384,443	273,960 9,861,153 381,648 384,443 35,300
Total liabilities  fund balances:  Reserved for:  Noncurrent receivables/encumbrances  Nonexpendable trust principal  Inventory  Unreserved:		5,835,135			384,443	273,960 9,861,153 381,648 384,443
Total liabilities  fund balances:  Reserved for:  Noncurrent receivables/encumbrances  Nonexpendable trust principal  Inventory  Unreserved:  Designated		5,835,135 298,828 15,097	71,070 - -	11,750 - -	384,443	273,960 9,861,153 381,648 384,443 35,300 7,073,673
Total liabilities  fund balances: Reserved for: Noncurrent receivables/encumbrances Nonexpendable trust principal Inventory Unreserved: Designated Undesignated, reported in:		5,835,135 298,828 15,097 691,735	71,070 - - - 94,050	11,750 - - 6,287,888	384,443 20,203	273,960 9,861,153 381,648 384,443 35,300 7,073,673 5,788,949
Total liabilities Fund balances: Reserved for: Noncurrent receivables/encumbrances Nonexpendable trust principal Inventory Unreserved: Designated Undesignated, reported in: General fund		5,835,135 298,828 15,097 691,735	71,070 - -	11,750 - -	384,443 20,203 - - 1,620,200	273,960 9,861,153 381,648 384,443 35,300 7,073,673 5,788,949 (258,611)
Total liabilities  Fund balances:  Reserved for:  Noncurrent receivables/encumbrances  Nonexpendable trust principal  Inventory  Unreserved:  Designated  Undesignated, reported in:  General fund  Special revenue funds		5,835,135 298,828 15,097 691,735	71,070 - - - 94,050	11,750 - - 6,287,888	384,443 20,203 - 1,620,200 575,261	273,960 9,861,153 381,648 384,443 35,300 7,073,673 5,788,949 (258,611) 575,261
Total liabilities  Fund balances:  Reserved for:  Noncurrent receivables/encumbrances  Nonexpendable trust principal Inventory  Unreserved:  Designated  Undesignated, reported in:  General fund Special revenue funds  Capital projects funds		5,835,135 298,828 15,097 691,735	71,070 - - - 94,050	11,750 - - 6,287,888	384,443 20,203 - - 1,620,200	5,788,949 (258,611)

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE

# Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2006

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,733,250 708,418	51,444,258
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	\$ 14,166,817

# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE

# Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

# Governmental Funds For the year ended June 30, 2006

	1010	he year ended J	School	Canital	Other	7D - 4 - 1
				Capital		Total
		General	Operations Fund	Reserve	Governmental	Governmental
		General	<u> </u>	Fund	Funds	Funds
Revenues:						
Taxes	\$	19,152,643	_	_	263,793	10 416 426
Licenses and permits	•	671,498	_	_	203,793	19,416,436 671,498
Intergovernmental		2,074,424	17,005,405	15,253	1,401,071	20,496,153
Investment income		243,115	17,005,405	303,181	32,178	20,490,133 578,474
Charges for services		1,064,714	28,153	32,441	752,718	
Unclassified		1,121,613	180,849	554,957	696,295	1,878,026
Total revenues		24,328,007	17,214,407	905,832	3,146,055	2,553,714
		21,320,007	17,214,407	905,852	3,140,033	45,594,301
Expenditures:						
Current:						
General government		3,676,038	_	_		3,676,038
Public safety		2,755,743		_	-	
Public works		2,139,946	_	_	624,582	2,755,743
Health & welfare		45,423	_	-	024,362	2,764,528
Recreation		1,122,005	-	-	-	45,423
Development		196,437	-	-	-	1,122,005
Unclassified		170,437	-	-	1 100 051	196,437
Education		-	- 26 520 220	-	1,182,951	1,182,951
Debt service:		-	26,539,229	-	1,166,810	27,706,039
Principal		504 122	1 000 517		211.000	
Interest and other charges		594,122	1,889,516	-	211,008	2,694,646
Capital maintenance		354,538	990,169	400 700	41,385	1,386,092
Capital improvements		-	677,313	499,503		1,176,816
		10.004.050	-	4,558,949	47,683	4,606,632
Total expenditures		10,884,252	30,096,227	5,058,452	3,274,419	49,313,350
Excess (deficiency) of revenues						
over (under) expenditures		13,443,755	(12 001 020)	(4.152.620)	(100.064)	(2.510.040)
over (under) expenditures		13,443,733	(12,881,820)	(4,152,620)	(128,364)	(3,719,049)
Other financing sources (uses):						
Capital lease proceeds		_	330,058			220.050
Long-term debt issued		_	330,036	5 000 000	-	330,058
Transfers in		273,486	11 571 461	5,000,000	155.070	5,000,000
Transfers out		•	11,571,461	1,431,594	155,278	13,431,819
Total other financing sources (uses)		(12,722,563)	11 001 510	(321,792)	(387,464)	(13,431,819)
Total office infallenig sources (uses)		(12,449,077)	11,901,519	6,109,802	(232,186)	5,330,058
Net change in fund balances		994,678	(090 201)	1.057.193	(2(0,550)	1 (11 000
		224,U10	(980,301)	1,957,182	(360,550)	1,611,009
Fund balances (deficit), beginning of year		5,799,931	(873,206)	4,482,272	2 1/4 011	12 555 000
			(0/3,200)	4,402,212	3,146,811	12,555,808
Fund balances (deficit), end of year	\$	6,794,609	(1,853,507)	6,439,454	2,786,261	14,166,817
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# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities

For the year ended June 30, 2006

(58,262)
(50.262
2,694,646
(5,000,000)
125,951
3,979,794
<b>\$</b>

# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE

# Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Budget and Actual - Budgetary Basis All Budgeted Governmental Funds For the year ended June 30, 2006

		Genera	al Fund				al Revenue Fun rations Fund	ds
				Variance with Final Budget		ochoor Ope	aciviis F Wild	Variance with
		amounts		Positive	Budgeted		_	Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
Revenues:								
Taxes	18,887,505	18,887,505	19,152,643	265,138				
Licenses and permits	333,200	333,200	671,498	338,298	•	-	-	•
Intergovernmental	1.955,530	1,955,530	2,074,424	118,894	14,108,117	14 100 117	-	
Investment income	100,000	100,000	243,115	143,115	14,100,117	14,108,117	14,343,191	235,074
Charges for services	963,160	963,160	1,064,714	101,554	17,000	17.000	20.152	
Other revenues	128,019	128,019	1,121,613	993,594	169,000	17,000	28,153	11,153
Total revenues	22,367,414	22,367,414	24,328,007	1,960,593	14,294,117	169,000 14,294,117	180,849 14,552,193	258,076
					1 1,22 1,117	11,251,117	14,552,195	238,070
Expenditures:								
Current:								
General government	1,719,195	1,781,170	1,637,512	143,658	-	-	_	
Public safety	2,726,230	2,764,492	2,727,490	37,002	_	-	_	
Public works	2,135,468	2,145,468	2,124,712	20,756	_	_	_	
Health and welfare	67,693	67,693	45,423	22,270	_	_		·
Recreation	610,170	610,170	1,139,582	(529,412)	_	_	_	•
Development	203,603	203,603	202,179	1,424	_		-	•
Insurances and employee benefits	1,725,570	1,728,030	1,594,991	133,039	_		•	•
Education	-	-	-,	-	23,236,804	23,236,804	23,531,678	(204.974
Unclassified	275,160	162,463	391,132	(228,669)	23,230,004	23,230,604	23,331,078	(294,874
Debt service	1,020,107	1,020,107	940,760	79,347	2,879,647	2,879,647	2 970 695	-
Capital maintenance	-	-		75,547	2,073,047	2,679,047	2,879,685	(38
Total expenditures	10,483,196	10,483,196	10,803,781	(320,585)	26,116,451	26,116,451	26,411,363	(294,912
E (1.7.1 ) .								(2) 1,512
Excess (deficiency) of revenues								
over (under) expenditures	11,884,218	11,884,218	13,524,226	1,640,008	(11,822,334)	(11,822,334)	(11,859,170)	(36,836
Other financing sources (uses):								
Utilization of prior year surplus								
Transfers to school fund	-	-	-	-	281,681	281,681	-	(281,681)
	(11,540,653)	(11,540,653)	(11,540,653)	-	11,540,653	11,540,653	11,571,461	30,808
Transfers to special revenue - economic development	(63,000)	(63,000)	(53,486)	9,514	-	-	-	
Transfers to special revenue - capital reserve	(563,565)	(563,565)	(1,128,424)	(564,859)	-	-	-	-
Transfers in special revenue - TIF and capital reserve	283,000	283,000	273,486	(9,514)		-	-	-
Total other financing sources (uses)	(11,884,218)	(11,884,218)	(12,449,077)	(564,859)	11,822,334	11,822,334	11,571,461	(250,873)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other							-	
financing sources over (under) expenditures								
and other financing uses - budgetary basis	-	-	1,075,149	1,075,149	-	-	(287,709)	(287,709)
Reconciliation to GAAP basis:								
Change in accrued payroll								
Change in encumbrances			(00.471)				(202,272)	
change in cheanistances			(80,471)				(490,320)	
Net change in fund balance			994,678				(000 201)	
-			,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,				(980,301)	
Fund balance (deficit), beginning of year			5,799,931				(873,206)	
Fund balance (deficit), end of year \$			6,794,609				(1.053.505)	
			0,774,007			44 444	(1,853,507)	

# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets Fiduciary Funds June 30, 2006

	Agency Fund (School Activity)		Private-purpos Trust Fund (Scholarships)	
ASSETS				
Cash	\$	199,935	-	
Investments			31,094	
Total assets		199,935	31,094	
LIABILITIES				
Due to student groups		199,935	-	
Accounts payable		- -	600	
Total liabilities		199,935	600	
NET ASSETS				
Held in trust	\$	-	30,494	

# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets Fiduciary Funds

# For the year ended June 30, 2006

		vate-purpose Trust Fund cholarships)
Additions:		
Donations	\$	1,000
Investment income	r	195
Total additions		1,195
Deductions:		
Scholarships awarded		600
Total deductions		600
Change in net assets		595
Net assets, beginning of year		29,899
Net assets, end of year	\$	30,494

# **Note 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Town of Gorham, Maine was incorporated in 1764 and operates under a Council-Manager form of government, adopted by charter in 1967.

The accounting policies of the Town of Gorham conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the more significant of such policies.

# A. The Reporting Entity

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

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

The accounts of the Town 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, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures. 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.

# C. Basis of Accounting/Measurement Focus

# **Government - Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Town. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements.

# Note 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

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

Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. The Town of Gorham, at this time, does not have any business-type activities.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. The Town has elected not to allocate indirect costs among the programs, functions and segments. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported as general revenues.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

Fund financial statements report detailed information about the Town. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column.

# **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

All governmental funds are accounted for using modified accrual basis of accounting and the current financial resources measurement focus. Under this basis, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become measurable and available. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable. An exception to the general rule is principal and interest on long-term debt which is recognized when due.

# Note 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

The Town reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund and the School Operations Fund in the Special Revenue Fund are the Town's primary operating funds. They account for all financial resources of the general government and education, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The Capital Reserve Fund in the Special Revenue Fund, which accounts for all capital equipment and project expenditures funded through fund balance transfers, is another major governmental fund.

Additionally, the Town reports the following fund type:

Fiduciary funds account for assets held by the Town in a trustee capacity or as an agent on behalf of others. The Town's fiduciary funds include the following types: agency funds (school activity funds) and private-purpose trust funds (scholarships).

# **Revenue Recognition**

Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Those revenues susceptible to accrual are property taxes, interest, and charges for services. Licenses and permits, fines and forfeits, and miscellaneous revenues (except investment earnings) are recorded as revenues when received in cash because they are generally not measurable until actually received. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenues as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

# **Expenditure Recognition**

The measurement focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Most expenditures are measurable and are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. However, principal and interest on long-term debt as well as expenditures related to certain compensated absences and claims and judgments are only recorded when payment is due. Allocation of costs, such as depreciation, is not recognized in the governmental funds.

# Note 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

# D. Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, whereby commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded to preserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is being employed by the Town during the fiscal year. At year-end, encumbrances are recorded as an expenditure for budgetary reporting and as a designation of fund balance within the fund financial statements, since they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities and are added to the subsequent year's adopted appropriations.

#### E. Investments

Investments are stated at fair value.

# F. Inventories

Inventory consists of the School Lunch Fund (Governmental Special Revenue Fund) food, supplies, and donated commodities and is recorded at the lower of cost or market on the first-in, first-out basis. The Town has also chosen to record the trash bag inventory maintained by the Public Works Department for the pay-per-bag program instituted on July 1, 2002. This inventory is recorded at cost on the first-in, first-out basis.

#### G. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. The Town defines capital assets as assets with an estimated useful life in excess of one year and an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000. The Town's assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated historical cost. For roads accepted by the Town from a developer, the Town will record the accepted road's value at the average cost per mile based on the road type. The Public Works Department will determine the average cost per mile for each road type. Gifts or contributions of capital assets are recorded at fair market value when received. The Town does not intend to use the "modified approach" to record infrastructure. The Town has also decided not to capitalize immaterial assets such as firearms, firefighting equipment such as air-paks, and certain computer equipment.

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

# Note 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

Depreciation is recorded based on the straight-line method using the full-month convention beginning with the month following the purchase date over the assets' estimated useful live. In addition, all assets will be depreciated down to zero. Historical treasures, works of art, and library books, which are capitalized, will not be depreciated.

The following estimated useful lives are used to compute depreciation:

Buildings -- 40 years
HVAC Systems & Roofing -- 20 years
Electrical/Plumbing Systems -- 30 years
Land Improvements -- 20–30 years
Roads -- 20-50 years
Bridges -- 50 years
Vehicles
Cars and light trucks -- 7 years
Police cruisers -- 4 years
Buses and rescue units -- 10 years
Fire Trucks -- 20 years
Office furniture and fixtures -- 7 years
Equipment -- 10-20 years
Computer equipment -- 5-7 years

The Town conducted an inventory of all capital assets for fiscal year 2003 and completes internal updates annually. This process involved determining the original cost. Original costs were developed in one of four ways: 1) historical records; 2) assessed value records deflated to date of acquisition; 3) engineering estimates and Land Use and Development Code; or 4) present cost indexed by a reciprocal factor of the price increase from the construction/acquisition date to the current date. The accumulated depreciation, as defined as the total depreciation from the date of construction/acquisition to the current date on a straight-line, unrecovered cost method was computed using industry accepted life expectancies for each capital asset. The book value was then computed by deducting the accumulated depreciation from the original cost.

#### H. Compensated Absences

Employees earn vacation and sick leave as they provide services. Under the terms of personnel policies and union contracts, vacation and sick leave are granted in varying amounts according to length of service. Town employees may accumulate (subject to certain limitations) up to 180 days of unused sick leave and, upon retirement, termination or death, may be compensated for amounts up to 90 days at current rates of pay.

# Note 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

Vacation time is earned based on anniversary date and length of service in amounts ranging from two to four weeks per year. Unused vacation days for regular full-time employees may accrue from one year to the next at a maximum of 150 hours for employees with less than six (6) years of continuous service, 225 hours for an employee with six (6) years of continuous service but less than eleven (11) years of continuous service and 260 hours for employees with eleven (11) years of continuous service. Employees are paid for allowable accruals upon termination of employment.

In the fund financial statements, no amount is recorded unless the amount is to be paid out shortly after year-end. But the full liability is recorded in the government-wide statements.

# I. Long-term Obligations

Long-term debt is recognized as a liability of a governmental fund when due. In the fund financial statements, for other long-term obligations, only that portion expected to be financed from expendable available financial resources is reported as a fund liability of a governmental fund.

#### J. Interfund Transactions

During the course of normal operations, the Town has numerous transactions between funds including expenditures and transfers of resources to provide services, construct assets, and service debt. These transactions are reported as transfers.

#### K. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

# L. Fund Equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designated fund balances represent tentative plans for future use of financial resources.

# Note 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, Continued

# M. Comparative Data/Reclassification

Comparative data for the prior year have been presented only for certain funds in the fund financial statements in order to provide an understanding of the changes in the financial position and operations of these funds.

# Note 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

# A. Budgetary Information

Budgets are adopted for the General Fund and School Operations Fund only, and are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) except as described in the budget footnote, Note 17, BUDGETARY VS. GAAP ACCOUNTING. The level of control (level at which expenditures may not exceed budget) is the Department for the general fund budget and the total budget for the school operations fund. With Council authorization, mid-year budget adjustments between departments can be made. The budget as presented reflects these changes. Generally, all unexpended budgetary accounts lapse at the close of the fiscal year. However, the Town adopted a policy that allows certain departments to carry 50% of unexpended balances to be used towards future capital purchases. These amounts have been shown as transfers to the capital reserve special revenue fund at year-end. Additionally, the Town has a policy in which the amount of fund balance at the end of the year, which is greater than 8% of the budget, is transferred to a capital reserve account. This transfer happens subsequent to year-end, during the next fiscal years' budget process.

# **B.** Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations

For the year ended June 30, 2006, expenditures exceeded appropriations in the following departments and the school operations fund as shown on Statement 6:

Education \$294,912

The Education category overage was due to higher fixed costs particularly the health insurance premiums incurred during fiscal year 2006.

The above over expenditures lapsed to fund balance.

# Note 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY, Continued

# C. Deficit Fund Equity

The School Operations Fund has a deficit fund balance of \$1,853,507 at June 30, 2006. This is due primarily to variations between the budgetary and GAAP methods of accounting for summer teachers' payroll. See Note 17, BUDGETARY VS. GAAP ACCOUNTING. The Special Revenue Funds' School Lunch Fund has a deficit fund balance of \$1,241 at June 30, 2006.

#### **Note 3 – RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets, errors and omissions, and natural disasters for which the Town either carries commercial insurance, participates in a public entity risk pool, or is effectively self-insured. Currently, the Town participates in several public entity and self-insured risk pools sponsored by the Maine Municipal Association, which provides the following coverages to the Town: property & casualty, liability, vehicle, and workers' compensation. The Town is self insured for unemployment compensation. Based on the coverage provided by these pools, as well as coverage provided by commercial insurance purchased, the Town is not aware of any material actual or potential claim liabilities, which should be recorded at June 30, 2006.

# **Note 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

The Town's policy is to invest public funds in a way that will provide the highest investment return with the maximum security while meeting daily cash flow demands of the Town and conforming to all state and local statutes governing the investment of public funds.

The average yield for the Town's investments during fiscal year 2006 was 3.94%, producing total investment income for the General Fund of \$346,896 less bank management fees of \$7,057 and allocation of interest earnings to the Capital Reserve Fund of \$96,724 for a net of \$243,115.

# Note 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS, Continued

# A. Deposits

At June 30, 2006, cash consisted of the following:

	Carrying	Bank
	<u>amount</u>	<u>balance</u>
Checking, savings, NOW, and		
certificates of deposit accounts		
Government Funds	\$127,109	\$126,568
Agency Funds	199,935	199,935
Petty Cash - Government Funds	800	<del></del>
Totals	\$ <u>\$327,844</u>	\$ <u>\$326,503</u>

The variance between the bank balance and carrying amount in the government funds is due to the Special Revenue Funds' School Lunch fund.

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits. In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Town's investment policy does not directly address custodial credit risk for deposits. As of June 30, 2006, \$31,937 of the Town's bank balances of \$326,503 was exposed to custodial credit risks because it was uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the Town's name. All of this risk in concentrated in the High School Activity Agency Fund.

#### **B.** Investments

At June 30, 2006, investments consisted of the following:

			Maturities			
Investment Type		Total	Within 6 Months	6 Months to 1 Year	1 Year to 3 Years	Over 3 Years
Mutual Funds	\$	4,529,374	\$4,529,374	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
U.S. Treasuries		586,714	75,023	29,662	377,621	104,408
Commercial Paper		5,189,887	5,189,887	-	_	-
Repurchase Agreements		7,029,708	7,029,708	-	-	-
Common Stock		17,640	_	-	-	-
Total Fair Value:	\$_	17,353,323	\$ <u>16,823,992</u>	\$ <u>29,662</u>	\$ <u>377,621</u>	\$ <u>104,408</u>
% of Portfolio:			97.0%	0.2%	2.2%	0.6%

# Note 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS, Continued

Out of the total \$17,353,323 in investments, \$17,322,229 is from investments in the governmental funds, while \$31,094 is for investments in the fiduciary funds' private purpose trust funds.

Interest Rate Risk. The Town of Gorham's investment policy addresses interest rate risk by structuring the investment portfolio so that securities mature to meet cash requirements for ongoing operations, thereby avoiding the need to sell securities on the open market prior to maturity and by investing operating funds primarily in shorter-term securities, money market mutual funds, or similar investment pools.

Credit Risk. Maine statutes authorize the Town to invest in obligations of U.S. Treasury and U.S. Agencies, repurchase agreements, and certain corporate stocks and bonds. Generally, the Town invests funds in certificates of deposit or savings accounts in the case of special revenue, capital projects and trust funds, and in commercial paper or repurchase agreements (through a financial institution trust department) in the case of the General Fund. The Town only invests in commercial paper, rated in the highest tier (e.g., A-1, P-1, F-1, or D-1 or higher) by a nationally recognized rating agency. As of June 30, 2006, all commercial paper was rated A-1.

Concentration Risk. The Town of Gorham will diversify its investment portfolio by security type and institution. With the exception of U.S. Treasury securities and authorized pools, no more than 50% of the Town's total investment portfolio will be invested in a single security type or with a single financial institution. At June 30, 2006, the Town was in compliance with its investment policy's stipulations on portfolio diversification.

Custodial Credit Risk – Investments. For an investment, this is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Town will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Of the investments in commercial paper, \$7,029,708, the Town has a custodial credit risk exposure of \$7,029,708 because the related securities are uninsured, unregistered and held by the Town's brokerage firms which are also the counterparty for these particular securities.

#### **Note 5 - PROPERTY TAXES**

Property taxes for the current year were committed on August 30, 2005, on the assessed value listed as of the prior April 1 for all real and personal property located in the Town. Assessed values are periodically established by the Town's Assessor at 100% of assumed market value. A revaluation was completed for the list of April 1, 2001. The assessed value represented 60% of market value and 80.0% of the estimated State valuation of \$1,234,200,000.

# **Note 5 - PROPERTY TAXES, Continued**

The Town is permitted by the laws of the State of Maine to levy taxes up to 105% of its net budgeted expenditures for the related fiscal period. The amount raised in excess of 100% is referred to as overlay, and amounted to \$180,032 for the year ended June 30, 2006. The variance between actual property tax revenues and budgeted property tax revenues represents overlay plus supplemental taxes less abatements.

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

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

The following summarizes the 2006 and 2005 levies:

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Assessed Value	\$869,744,400	\$868,307,900
Tax Rate (per \$1,000)	19.50	20.00
Commitment	16,960,016	17,366,158
Supplemental Taxes Assessed	20,192	13,824
	16,980,208	17,379,982
Less: Abatements	40,254	108,846
Collections	16,447,451	16,719,750
Receivable at June 30, 2006 and 2005	<b>\$</b> 492,503	<b>\$</b> 551,386
Due Date(s)	1/2 11/15/2005	1/2 11/15/2004
	1/2 05/15/2006	1/2 05/15/2005
Interest Rates on Delinquent Taxes	7.75%	6.50%
Collection Rate	97.1%	96.8%

Of the total taxes committed for the year ended June 30, 2006, the original amount allocated to the Gorham Industrial Park Municipal Development Tax Increment Financing District, the ODAT-Grondin Municipal Development Tax Increment Financing District, and the Pettingill Ross Municipal Development Tax Increment Financing District was \$278,478.

However, on May 2, 2006, the Gorham Town Council approved writing off the personal property taxes outstanding for Portland Machine Tool Services since the business went out of business and all the assets sold at auction. These personal property taxes were part of the Gorham Industrial Park TIF District and impacted both the 2004-2005 and 2005-2006 tax years.

# **Note 5 - PROPERTY TAXES, Continued**

The total write off was \$14,686 with \$7,044 from the 2004-2005 tax year and \$7,642 for the 2005-2006 tax year.

The following amounts were allocated to various companies located within the three tax increment financing districts located in the Town.

Gorham Industrial Park District	
Big Water	\$ 9,145
CMJ, Inc.	8,229
Foreside Management Co.	54,608
D C Associates	5,973
D & G Group (see note below)	27,325
Hampstead Associates	24,201
Mega Industries	37,477
Montalvo	43,856
Transformit	12,299
Subtotal:	223,113
ODAT/Grondin District	
ODAT	17,527
Grondin Properties	26,467
Subtotal:	 43,994
Pettingill Ross District	
Pettingill Ross	11,371
Subtotal:	 11,371
<b>Total TIF Financing Plan Amount:</b>	\$ 278,478

Note: The \$27,325 for D & G Group was the amount prior to the personal property tax write off of \$7,642.

(see Note 14, TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICT)

# **Note 6 – CAPITAL ASSETS**

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 34, the Town has reported all capital assets including infrastructure in the Government-wide Statement of Net Assets. All capital assets were reported using the basic approach whereby accumulated depreciation and depreciation expense has been recorded.

# Note 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS, Continued

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2006 was as follows:

	Balance June 30, <u>2005</u>	<u>Increases</u>	Decreases	Balance June 30, 2006
Governmental Activities:				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Books/Historical Treasures/Artwork	\$ 1,090,274	\$ -	\$ -	\$1,090,274
Land	1,579,159	303,800	160,000	1,722,959
Construction in Progress	642,850	3,804,627	-	4,447,477
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	3,312,283	4,108,427	160,000	7,260,710
Capital assets, being depreciated:			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Land improvements	4,400,837	35,922	_	4,436,759
Buildings and building improvements	41,088,112	88,886	-	41,176,998
Machinery and equipment	1,300,954	120,984	_	1,421,938
Furniture and office equipment	1,949,727	30,088	_	1,979,815
Computer equipment	289,059	5,235	_	294,294
Vehicles	6,896,258	510,935	236,274	7,170,919
Infrastructure	18,823,171	1,793,842	· -	20,617,013
Total capital assets being depreciated	74,748,118	2,585,892	236,274	77,097,736
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Land improvements	537,837	163,923	-	701,760
Buildings and building improvements	11,335,233	1,158,590	-	12,493,823
Machinery and equipment	411,206	115,121	-	526,327
Furniture and office equipment	557,382	231,983	_	789,365
Computer equipment	215,426	26,754	-	242,180
Vehicles	4,177,047	503,693	236,274	4,444,466
Infrastructure	13,361,806	354,461	-	13,716,267
Total accumulated depreciation	30,595,937	2,554,525	236,274	32,914,188
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	44,152,181	31,367	-	44,183,548
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$47,464,464	\$4,139,794	\$160,000	\$51,444,258

# Note 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS, Continued

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

#### Governmental activities:

General government	\$	81,187
Public safety		284,694
Public works, including depreciation of general infrastructure assets		554,131
Recreation and library		97,978
Education	1	1,536,535

Total depreciation expense – governmental activities \$ 2.554.525

#### **Note 7 – PENSION PLANS**

# A. MSRS - Consolidated Plan

Description of the Plan – The Town contributes to Maine State Retirement System Consolidated Plan, a cost sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system established by the Maine State legislature. The Maine State Retirement System provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The authority to establish and amend benefit provisions rests with the State Legislature. The Maine State Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the Consolidated Plan. That report may be obtained by writing to Maine State Retirement System, 46 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0046 or by calling 1-800-451-9800.

Funding Policy – Plan members are required to contribute 6.5% of their annual covered salary and the Town of Gorham is required to contribute an actuarially determined rate. The current rates range from 2.8% to 4% of annual covered payroll. The contribution rates of plan members and the Town of Gorham are established and may be amended by the Maine State Retirement System Board of Trustees. Due to an unfunded liability credit, the Town's contribution to the Maine State Retirement System Consolidated Plan for the years ended June 30, 2006, 2005 and 2004 are \$0, \$0 and \$0, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

# **B.** MSRS Teacher's Group

**Description of Plan** – All schoolteachers, plus other qualified educators, participate in the Maine State Retirement System's teacher group. The teacher's group is a cost-sharing plan with a special funding situation, established by the Maine State legislature. The Maine State Retirement System provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments,

# Note 7 – PENSION PLANS, Continued

and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The authority to establish and amend benefit provisions rests with the State Legislature. The Maine State Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the Teacher's Group. That report may be obtained by writing to Maine State Retirement System, 46 State House Station, Augusta, Maine 04333-0046 or by calling 1-800-451-9800.

Funding Policy – Plan members are required to contribute 7.65% of their compensation to the retirement system. The same statute requires the State of Maine's Department of Education to contribute the employer contribution, which amounts to \$2,662,214 (19.15%) for the fiscal year 2006. This amount has been reported as an intergovernmental revenue and retirement expenditure in the GAAP basis financial statements (Statement 2 and Statement 4). There is no contribution required by the School except for federally funded teachers, for which the School contributed 19.15% of their compensation. This cost is charged to the applicable grant.

# C. Deferred Compensation Plan

The Town of Gorham offers all its employees not participating in Maine State Retirement a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 457. The plan permits participating employees to defer a portion of their salary until future years. The Town expended \$181,716 for the year ended June 30, 2006, and \$158,208 for the year ended June 30, 2005. The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency.

Assets of the plan are placed in trust for the exclusive benefit of participants and their beneficiaries. Accordingly, the assets and the liabilities for the compensation deferred by plan participants, including earnings on plan assets, are not included in the Town's financial statements.

# **D.** Other Retirement Contributions

Additionally, the Town participates in the Social Security Retirement Program. The Town contributed \$351,449 including F.I.C.A. and Medicare to the Social Security Retirement Program on behalf of Town employees for the year ended June 30, 2006 and \$352,130 for the year ended June 30, 2005.

School employees who are not eligible for the Maine State Retirement Program participate in the Social Security Retirement Program. In addition, a small group of School employees participates in both programs. The School Department contributed \$328,318 including F.I.C.A. and Medicare to the Social Security Retirement Program on behalf of the School employees for the year ended June 30, 2006 and \$276,039 for the year ended June 30, 2005.

# **Note 8 – INTERFUND ACCOUNTS**

Individual interfund loans receivable and payable balances at June 30, 2006, were as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	Interfund loan receivable	Interfund loan payable
Governmental Funds		
General fund	\$ -	\$ 1,777,628
School operations fund	409,163	184,338
Capital reserve fund	585,197	521,235
Other governmental funds:		
Special revenue funds:		
School special revenue funds	260,401	96,422
School lunch fund	-	109,629
Sewer operations	889,536	, -
Little Falls sewer reserve & loan fund	14,552	_
Economic development fund	23,639	-
Tax increment financing district	375,812	-
Capital project funds:		
Middle school construction	-	_
White Rock school project	98,814	-
Various school projects	31,172	_
Permanent funds:	·	
Cemetery perpetual care	11,550	-
Parks and recreation grounds	· -	-
Baxter library and museum	114	10,298
Schools	-	, -
Public purpose and civic improvements	-	-
Miscellaneous		400
Total other governmental funds	1,705,590	216,749
Totals	\$ 2,699,950	\$ 2,699,950

The purpose of the interfunds is to charge revenue and expenditure activity to the appropriate funds. With centralized cash, everything is received and disbursed through the general fund. With interfund accounts, it allows the activity to be recorded within the proper fund, even though the activity occurs within the general fund cash account.

# Note 8 - INTERFUND ACCOUNTS, Continued

Interfund transfers during the year ended June 30, 2006 consisted of the following:

<u>Fund</u>	Transfer In	Transfer Out
General fund	\$ 273,486	\$ 12,722,563
School operations fund	11,571,461	
Capital reserve fund	1,431,594	321,792
Other governmental funds:		
Special revenue funds:		
School Grant fund	_	30,808
Economic Development fund	53,486	-
TIF fund	1,792	53,486
Capital project funds:	-,	22,100
Narragansett School roof project fund	_	303,170
White Rock School project fund	100,000	
Total other governmental funds	155,278	387,464
Totals	\$ 13,431,819	\$ 13,431,819

The transfer outs comprised of the following:

- 1. From the General Fund: to provide the school operations fund with the local tax allocation for education (\$11,540,653); to provide the capital reserve fund with the allocation of undesignated fund balance approved by the Town Council to fund projects and the transfer of half balances remaining at year-end in departmental budgets to fund future capital needs for those departments (\$1,128,424); and to transfer the economic development corporation expenditures to the special revenue funds' economic development fund (\$53,486).
- 2. From the Capital Reserve Fund: to provide funds to assist in purchasing two dump trucks (\$125,000) and to provide funds to hire a Town Engineer (\$95,000) through the general fund; provide seed money for the White Rock School project (\$100,000); and to provide funds to the TIF fund to assist in purchasing Welcome to Gorham signs (\$1,792).
- 3. From the Special Revenue Fund's School Grant Fund: to provide funding for higher than anticipated cost for special education in the School's Operations Fund (\$30,808).

# Note 8 - INTERFUND ACCOUNTS, Continued

- 4. From the Special Revenue Fund's TIF Fund: to provide funding for the Economic Development Corporation (\$53,486).
- 5. From the Capital Project Fund's Narragansett School Roof Project Fund: to close out balance of this project account to the Capital Project Reserve Fund's Municipal/Community Center project as approved by the voters of Gorham (\$303,170).

# **Note 9 – DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS**

Due from other governments is comprised of the following:

School operations fund – State agency clients	\$ 115,991
Other governmental funds:	 
School special revenue funds	
Title IA, NCLB	50,200
Title IIA, NCLB	14,908
Title IID, NCLB Tech Literacy Challenge	2,504
School Lunch – USDA subsidy	 31,878
Total other governmental funds	 99,490
Total	\$ 215,481

# **Note 10 – LONG-TERM DEBT**

# A. Statutory Debt Limit

In accordance with 30 MRSA, Section 5061, as amended, no municipality shall incur debt for specified purposes in excess of certain percentages of state valuation of such municipality. At June 30, 2006, the Town was in compliance with these limitations. (see Table 13, STATISTICAL SECTION)

# Note 10 - LONG-TERM DEBT, Continued

# B. Changes in Long Term Debt

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2006, was as follows:

Governmental activities:	Beginning Balance	<b>Additions</b>	Reductions	_	Due Within One Year
_	\$ 30,427,896	, ,,	, ,	32,733,250	, ,
Capital leases	659,477	330,058	,	708,418	190,335
Accrued vacation and sick leave	671,064	94,222	2 35,960	729,326	40,000
Governmental activity Long-term liabilities	\$ 31,758,437	5,424,280	3,011,723	34,170,994	2,889,985

# C. Bonds and Notes Payable

General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the Town. These bonds are issued as serial bonds, generally with equal amounts of principal maturing each year.

General obligation bonds currently outstanding at June 30, 2006, are comprised of the following:

Original								
	Date of	Issue	Date of	Interest				Balance
	<u>Issue</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<b>Maturity</b>	<u>Rate</u>		<b>Balance</b>		by Bond
Bonds and notes payable:								
Governmental activities:								
Public Works, paving/Village sewer								
lines & pump stations	5/20/1987	3,030,000	10/25/2007	5.7-7.5%	\$	480,000	\$	480,000
Robie Gym improvements & Baxter								
Library handicapped access	6/2/1988	80,250	10/25/2008	5.9-7.7%		24,650		
Public Works, dump truck, transfer								
trailer, truck scale	6/2/1988	117,700	10/25/2008	5.9-7.7%		19,040		
Public Safety, aerial ladder truck & lucas tool	6/2/1988	210 200	10/25/2009	50770		27.740		
		*	10/25/2008	5.9-7.7%		37,740		
General Gov't, voting machines	6/2/1988	26,750	10/25/2008	5.9-7.7%		3,570		85,000
Rebuild tennis courts and Baxter								
Library handicapped addition	10/26/1988	75,000	10/25/2008	6.5-7.4%		13,620		
Public Works, hauler truck, back hoe,	10/0/11000							
paving box	10/26/1988	174,000	10/25/2008	6.5-7.4%		31,620		
Public Safety, repair and pump tank 3	10/26/1988	50,000	10/25/2008	6.5-7.4%		9,120		
General Gov't, computer upgrade	10/26/1988	31,000	10/25/2008	6.5-7.4%		5,640		60,000
Education, Village school addition	5/4/1989	4,100,000	10/25/2009	7.25-7.3%		820,000		820,000

### Note 10 - LONG-TERM DEBT, Continued

		Original				
	Date of	Issue	Date of	Interest		Balance
	Issue	Amount	Maturity	Rate	Balance	by Bond
Robie Gym windows, Chick						
recreation area, playground	5/24/1990	\$ 21,600	10/25/2010	7.1-7.2%	\$ 5,357	
Public Works, plow truck, street						
sweeper, Mitchell bridge, transfer trailer,						
air compressor, underground tanks, Great Falls bridge (local share)	5/24/1990	227 920	10/05/0010	71700	01.021	
Public Safety, new rescue and base	3/24/1990	321,830	10/25/2010	7.1-7.2%	81,931	
radio upgrade	5/24/1990	106,000	10/25/2010	7.1-7.2%	26,568	
10	2.2 1330	100,000	10/25/2010	7.1-7.270	20,508	
Education, Village & GSH schools	£/0.4/1.000	427.570	10/05/0010	5 1 5 0°	400.004	
asbestos abatement, and High school roof	5/24/1990		10/25/2010		109,394	223,250
Education, GSH expansion	9/1/1993	11,565,000	9/1/2013	4.6-5.25%	4,590,000	4,590,000
Public Works, new facility	6/1/2000	1,295,000	6/1/2020	5.7-5.75%	910,000	910,000
Education, New Middle School	044					
Construction	9/1/2002	20,375,000	11/1/2022	2.25-4.375%	17,315,000	
Baxter Library, addition and renovations	9/1/2002	950,000	11/1/0017	0.05.4.2750	<b>670.000</b>	157.005.000
Old Shaw School/Community Ctr,	9/1/2002	850,000	11/1/2017	2.25-4.375%	670,000	17,985,000
renovation	2/1/2004	2,688,345	2/1/2024	3.25-4.35%	2,476,655	
Narragansett School, roof	2/1/2004	2,000,545	21112024	3.23-4.33%	2,470,033	
replacement	2/1/2004	112,237	2/1/2009		43,345	
Public Safety, 50% share of fire truck	2/1/2004	350,000			310,000	2,830,000
• .	_, ,,_,,,	220,000	2/1/2024		310,000	2,030,000
Municipal/Community Ctr, renovation (old Shaw School)	9/1/2005	<b>5</b> 000 000	12/1/2024	2.75.4.0007	4.750.000	4.750.000
,	71112003	3,000,000	12/1/2024	3.75-4.00%	4,750,000	4,750,000
Total governmental activities					\$ 32,733,250	\$ 32,733,250

The General Fund, the Special Revenue Funds' School Operations Fund and Sewer Fund, and the Permanent Funds' Baxter Library and Museum Fund pay all governmental activities long-term debt service requirements. The annual debt service requirements to amortize bonds and notes payable are as follows:

### Note 10 – LONG-TERM DEBT, Continued

Fiscal Year Ended			
<u>June 30</u>	<b>Principal</b>	<u>Interest</u>	<b>Total</b>
2007	\$ 2,659,650 \$	1,271,652 \$	3,931,302
2008	2,674,650	1,164,843	3,839,493
2009	2,424,650	1,073,015	3,497,665
2010	2,374,650	975,209	3,349,859
2011	2,169,650	883,447	3,053,097
2012-2016	9,455,000	3,168,199	12,623,199
2017-2021	7,480,000	1,513,982	8,993,982
2022-2026	3,495,000	207,536	3,702,536
Total	\$ 32,733,250 \$	10,257,883 \$	42,991,133

### D. Capital Leases

The Gorham School Department has entered into various lease agreements as lessee for school buses and copiers, and the Town has entered into two lease agreements for a pickup truck and dump truck. Those leases qualify as capital leases for accounting purposes, and therefore, have been recorded in the government-wide financial statements at the present value of future minimum lease payments as of the date of their inception.

The following is a summary of the capital lease commitments as of June 30, 2006:

	Original Purchase Price	Annual Depreciation Expense	Total Minimum Lease Payments	Interest	Present Value of Minimum Lease Payments
Education, twelve (12) School Buses	645,446	63,561	464,519	41,637	422,882
Education, Photocopiers,	212,046	n/a	235,544	23,498	212,046
Public Works, 2005 Chevy Pickup	27,000	1,478	17,553	1,371	16,182
Public Works, 2005 Dump Truck	95,628	9,563	62,364	5,056	
	_		\$779,980	\$71,562	\$708,418

The following is a schedule of future minimum lease payments under the capital lease and the present value of the minimum lease payment at June 30, 2006:

### Note 10 – LONG-TERM DEBT, Continued

Fiscal year ending	<u>Pr</u>	rincipal	<u>Interest</u>	Total Lease Obligation
2007	\$	190,335	28,053	218,388
2008		196,680	21,709	218,389
2009		184,188	13,398	197,586
2010		67,244	5,565	72,809
2011		69,971	2,837	72,808
	\$	708,418	71,562	779,980

### E. Compensated Absences

The Town's policy relating to compensated absences is described in Note 1, H. The long-term portion of this debt, amounting to \$729,326 for governmental activities at June 30, 2006, is expected to be paid in future years from future resources. The Town has estimated that out of the \$729,326, approximately \$40,000 will be due within the next year. In prior years, compensated absences have been liquidated primarily by the general fund.

### **Note 11 - OPERATING LEASES**

The School Department has entered into seven leases for portable buildings, five expiring July 31, 2008 and two expiring August 31, 2007. For accounting purposes, all of these leases are considered to be operating leases. Lease expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2006 amounted to \$92,400. Future minimum lease payments for these leases are as follows:

Year ended June 30,	
	00.400
2007	92,400
2008	70,400
2009	11,000
Total	\$ 173,800

### **Note 12 – OVERLAPPING DEBT AND OTHER CONTINGENCIES**

### A. Overlapping Debt

The Town is subject to an annual assessment of its proportional share of Cumberland County expenses, including debt repayment, as determined by the percentage of the Town's State valuation to the County's State valuation. At June 30, 2006, the Town's State valuation of \$1,234,200,000 was 3.59% of the County's State valuation of \$34,366,000,000. The Town's share is 3.59% or \$379,246 of Cumberland County's \$10,560,000 long-term debt outstanding as of June 30, 2006.

The Town is also served by the Portland Water District. At June 30, 2006, the Town's share of self-supporting bonded water debt is 5.37% or \$1,144,978 of total debt of \$21,325,000. At June 30, 2006, the Town's portion of Portland Water District's bonded sewer debt for which the Town of Gorham is directly obligated through sewer user fees is \$1,040,764. The Town also shares an obligation with the Town of Windham for a joint sewer project. Gorham's share of this debt amounts to \$5,298. The Water District annually assesses the Town for its proportionate share of debt issued for engineering and construction costs of a sewage treatment plant.

### **B.** Contingencies

Ecomaine, formerly Regional Waste Systems, Inc., a Maine corporation with twenty-one participating municipalities including the Town of Gorham, has issued bonds to fund the design. construction and start-up of a resource recovery system. The bonds are special revenue obligations of Ecomaine, payable from and secured by a pledge of Ecomaine revenues. The bonds do not constitute a debt or liability within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory provision of the State of Maine, or a pledge of the full faith and credit of any political subdivision of the State of Maine. Ecomaine has no taxing power. Notwithstanding the foregoing, pursuant to the Waste Handling Agreements, the participating municipalities are obligated severally to deliver certain of the solid waste produced within each such participating municipality to Ecomaine for processing, to make service payments and pay tipping fees for such processing in amounts which, when added to other available monies, will at least equal required debt service of the bonds. The obligations of the participating municipalities under the Waste Handling Agreements are secured by the full faith and credit of the participating municipalities subject to certain limitations. On June 30, 2006, outstanding "Incinerator Debt" of Ecomaine totaled \$43,076,000 of which the Gorham share, based on estimated tonnage to be delivered, amounted to \$1,736,581.

The Town has also entered into an agreement with Ecomaine, as one of twenty-one Ecomaine Member Municipalities along with an additional six Participating Municipalities, to establish a Material Recycling Facility ("MRF") at Ecomaine's demolition debris and recycling facility in Gorham. It is anticipated that the Town's share of debt incurred for this project will also be paid through service charges and user fees over the life of the project. At June 30, 2006, the Town's share is \$281,624 of Ecomaine's outstanding MRF debt of \$5,029,000.

### Note 12 - OVERLAPPING DEBT AND OTHER CONTINGENCIES, Continued

Ecomaine operates a licensed balefill and ashfill site for which projected landfill closure and postclosure care costs approximate \$20,737,626 at June 30, 2005, the most recent data available. The Town's proportionate share of these estimated landfill closure and postclosure care costs is 4.05% or \$839,821.

### **Total Debt and Contingencies**

		As of June	30, 2006	
	Direct	Overlapping	Contingent	Total
Governmental Unit	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Debt</u>	<u>Debt</u>
Town of Gorham	\$32,733,250	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,733,250
Cumberland County	-	379,246	_	379,246
Portland Water District - sewer debt	-	1,040,764	_	1,040,764
Portland Water District – sewer shared				-,010,701
with Town of Windham	-	5,298	_	5,298
Portland Water District - water debt	-	1,144,978	_	1,144,978
Ecomaine:		, ,		1,211,570
Resources recovery system	-	_	1,736,581	1,736,581
Material recycling facility	_	_	281,624	281,624
Landfill closure	-	_	839,821	839,821
Totals	\$32,733,250	\$2,570,286		\$ 38,161,562

### C. Arbitrage

Pursuant to the Tax Reform Act of 1986, municipalities issuing tax-exempt bonds or entering into note or lease obligations are required to perform an arbitrage rebate calculation upon the fifth anniversary of the obligation and to remit such rebate to the federal government, subject to certain exceptions. The Town has had several issues for which a rebate calculation is or has been required. As of June 30, 2006, substantially all such calculations have been performed.

### D. Grant Funds

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

### Note 12 - OVERLAPPING DEBT AND OTHER CONTINGENCIES, Continued

### E. Litigation

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

### F. Conduit Debt

From time to time, the Town has issued Industrial Revenue Bonds to provide financial assistance to private sector entities for the acquisition and construction of industrial and commercial facilities deemed to be in the public interest. The bonds are secured by the property financed and are payable solely from payments received on the underlying mortgage loans. Upon repayment of the bonds, ownership of the acquired facilities transfers to the private-sector entity served by the bond issuance. Neither the Town, the State, nor any political subdivision thereof is obligated in any manner for repayment of the bonds. Accordingly, the bonds are not reported as liabilities in the accompanying financial statements.

As of June 30, 2006, there were two series of Industrial Revenue Bonds outstanding, with an aggregate principal amount payable of \$3,505,000.

### Note 13 – REIMBURSEMENT FOR DEBT SERVICE EXPENDITURES

The State of Maine currently reimburses the Town for a portion of the financing costs of school building and school bus purchases. Continuation of such reimbursement is dependent upon continued appropriation by the state legislature.

Hannaford Brothers has agreed to reimburse the Town for certain debt service costs related to the Village Sewer Construction project. During the years ended June 30, 2006 and 2005, these reimbursements amounted to \$16,625 and \$17,675, respectively. Principal and interest to be reimbursed will total \$488,407 through fiscal year 2008. These reimbursements are recorded as revenue in the Sewer operations special revenue fund for 2006.

### **Note 14 - TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICT**

Tax increment financing (TIF) pursuant to Chapter 207 of Title 30-A of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended, enables a municipality to finance development by utilizing the future increased property tax receipts attributable to the development. Under the statutory framework, the municipality designates a tax increment-financing district and adopts a development program (the Development Program) stating the means and objectives for the development district.

### Note 14 - TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICT, Continued

The municipality may designate, or "capture", all or a portion of the increase in assessed value resulting from development within the district and dedicates the increased property taxes it receives in future years generated by the "captured" assessed value to payment of the costs of the Development Program, which may include debt service on borrowing to fund such costs.

Tax increment financing districts are subject to statutory limits on their size, including the following limitations: (a) the total area of a single development district may not exceed 2% of the total acreage of the municipality, (b) the total area of all districts within a municipality may not exceed 5% of the total acreage of the municipality, and (c) the aggregate value of equalized taxable property of all districts within the municipality as of the April 1<sup>st</sup> preceding the date of designation of each such district cannot exceed 5% of the municipality's total value of equalized taxable property, excluding from this limit any district involving project costs in excess of \$10,000,000, the geographic area of which consists entirely of contiguous property owned by a single taxpayer with an assessed value in excess of 10% of the municipality's total assessed value.

The increase in assessed value captured by the municipality is excluded from the municipality's equalized just value for each year's State valuation filed with the Secretary of State in accordance with Title 36, Section 208 and 305 of Maine Revised Statutes, as amended, and is therefore not included in calculating that municipality's share of State educational aid, State municipal revenue sharing, the county tax or the 15% debt limitation for the municipality pursuant to Title 30-A, Section 5257 of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended.

In March 1997, the Town designated a 19.97 acre area within the Gorham Industrial Park as the Gorham Industrial Park Municipal Development Tax Increment Financing District (the district). The district included three companies, Mega Industries, a high technology metals fabrication company, Transformit, a high quality fabric structures firm, and Foreside Company, an import-export, wholesale, retail company.

Subsequently, in March 1999, the Town expanded the geographic scope of the district. The expansion allows the Town to assist three additional businesses to be located in the district. The expansion of the district encompasses approximately 6.83 acres of taxable land.

On June 4, 2002, the Town Council approved a minor amendment to the original Tax Increment Financing District as subsequently amended on March 31, 1999, by adding approximately 1.08 acres which is part of Tax Map 12, Lot 33-5, to the District.

### Note 14 - TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICT, Continued

On August 5, 2003, the Town designated approximately 28.1 acres within the Gorham Industrial Park as the ODAT/Grondin Development District. The joint name is to reflect that this district involves efforts of two separate developers on two separate but geographically proximate locations. ODAT is a precision manufacturer of component machine parts and will be constructing a 21,000 square foot manufacturing facility on its 4.9 acre tract of land.

The purpose of the Grondin portion of the district is to encourage the creation of five (5) new industrial lots on 23.14 acres of land: Grondin Properties, LLC will develop a new industrial park access road on part of this 23 acre parcel of land and will be reimbursed from the TIF revenues generated over a 15 year period, up to a maximum of \$429,064 for construction costs related to the development of the new road.

On January 6, 2004, the Town Council approved the creation of a permanent Revolving Loan Fund program with the funding coming from the Town's portion of Tax Increment Financing revenues derived from the ODAT/Grondin Development District.

On March 2, 2004, the Town designated a 6.5-acre parcel of land in the Gorham Industrial Park as the Pettingill Municipal Development District. The Pettingill Ross Company, a sheet metal company, currently located in the Westbrook Industrial Park, has acquired the old Hill-Loma building and intends to improve, rehabilitate, construct and equip a manufacturing facility at this location in the Gorham Industrial Park.

On March 1, 2005, the Town designated a 2.1-acre parcel of land located at 14 County Road (Route 22) as the VIP, Inc. Tax Increment Financing Development District. VIP, Inc., a retail parts, tires, and automotive services business, requested the TIF designation when they found out that one of the conditions of building a new 9,620 sq. ft. retail store on the former Roberts' Welding property would be to construct a center turning lane. VIP estimates that the cost of the turning lane to be in the \$170,000 range, a cost that "makes the project bear an unreasonable amount of its share of rectifying the traffic problem," as stated in a February 14, 2005 letter to Town Manager David Cole. The Town Council in a 4-1 vote approved a 15-year TIF, which would give back 50% of the taxes generated from the increased tax value generated from the new building.

On June 6, 2006, the Town designated three parcels of land totaling 58.3 acres located on Narragansett Street near the existing Moody's Collision Center as the Moody's Collision Centers Municipal Development and Tax Increment Financing District. Moody's Collision Centers, Inc. plans on expanding on the three parcels with additional 6 acre vehicle storage, a 2 acre 17,000 sq. ft. new repair facility, and another 4 acre vehicle storage area. As part of this development activity, Moody's is planning to add the following infrastructure improvements: phase 3 power and T-1 telephone/network service to the new collision repair facility.

### Note 14 - TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICT, Continued

The total infrastructure improvements are estimated to costs Moody's \$53,000. The Town Council in a 4-3 vote approved a 15-year TIF, which would give back 50% of the taxes generated from the increased tax value from the new building and improvements up to a maximum of \$46,638.

### **Note 15 - CLASSIFICATION OF NET ASSETS**

In the Government-wide financial statements net assets are classified in the following categories:

**Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt** - This category groups all capital assets, including infrastructure, into one component of net assets. Accumulated depreciation and the outstanding balances of debt that are attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of these assets reduces this category.

**Restricted Net Assets** - This category presents external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments and restrictions imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. This category presents restrictions placed on the Permanent fund.

Unrestricted Net Assets - Represent the net assets of the Town, not restricted for any project or other purpose.

In the Funds financial statements, reserves and designations segregate portions of fund balance that are either not available or have been earmarked for specific purposes. The various reserves and designations are established by actions of the Town Council and Management and can be increased, reduced or eliminated by similar actions. As of June 30, 2006, reservations of fund balance are described below:

**Reserved for Non-Current Receivables/Encumbrances** - These reserves represent the portion of purchase orders and contracts awarded for which goods and services have not yet been received, as well as the portion of receivables not due within the next 12 months after year end.

Reserved for Nonexpendable Trust Principal - These reserves represent that portion of originally contributed trust fund assets restricted from disbursement.

**Reserved for Inventory** - Represent that portion of General Fund and Special Revenue Fund – School Lunch Fund, restricted for trash bags, and food, supplies and donated commodities, used in the lunch program, respectively.

### **Note 16 – DESIGNATED FUND BALANCES**

At June 30, 2006 and 2005, portions of the General Fund and the Special Revenue Funds' School Operation Fund and Capital Reserve Fund fund balances were appropriated to future periods as follows:

		<u>2006</u>		<u>2005</u>
General Fund:				
D.A.R.E.	\$	8,698	\$	9,442
Bicycle patrol		376		376
Restorative justice grant		4,742		3,697
Drug forfeiture		4,271		4,250
Little Falls substation		2,272		2,272
Gorham triad		3,728		3,728
Seatbelt enforcement grant		-		(1,956)
Child safety seats		885		885
Fire/rescue donations		25		-
Fire prevention		1,883		2,284
Cumberland County hazmet		14,156		6,313
WMD homeland security		240		(2,914)
Homeland security grant		-		(23,053)
Regional grant - maintenance facility		33,000		-
Narragansett foundation - fire police vehicle		10,339		-
Street opening permits		87,912		53,260
Pay-per-bag startup costs		5,636		5,636
Recycling committee		644		7
Recreation		95,281		149,292
Tree grant		1,358		1,358
Community Center donations		750		750
Vacation/comp/sick reserve		137,877		39,877
Unemployment insurance contingency reserve		21,500		21,500
Accrued compensated absences		256,162		251,068
Total general fund	\$	691,735	\$	528,072
Special Revenue Fund:				
School operation fund:				•
Budgeted use of fund balance		94,050		281,681
	<b>d</b>		φ	
Total school operation fund	\$	94,050		281,681
•				

### Note 16 - DESIGNATED FUND BALANCES, Continued

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Capital reserve fund:		
Village plan study	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000
Municipal center	_	35,200
Revaluation	147,162	122,162
Paving	(166,713) *	2,020
South St sidewalk (grant project)	59,218	, -
Impact study - residential growth	30	30
State roads projects	273,892	652,634
Longfellow bridge	35,000	35,000
Extension - Wentworth Drive	6,500	6,500
Fire ponds/dry hydrants	31,150	_
Limited access highway	75,000	75,000
Drainage, 130 Main Street	6,219	6,219
Storm water phase II	18,296	15,177
Stumpage	4,789	6,570
South St sidewalk (Heartwood)	136,411	119,431
Morrell Ave sidewalk	85,124	-
Community center granite sign	4,727	4,552
Shaw park	3,500	-
Town clock	75,000	-
Repairs to outlying fire stations	14,326	5,752
Fire Dept master plan	200	22,620
Little Falls tennis courts	1,469	1,469
Baxter Memorial Library Assoc (BMLA)	3,013	4,838
Baxter library expansion	20,437	20,021
Historical society building repairs	2,164	2,164
Recreation facility reserve	125,500	140,000
Narragansett skating	-	20,000
Public Works building	13,119	43,691
Chick property site development	1,947	1,947
Recreation master plan	8,487	-
Baxter museum repairs	17,696	14,046
Municipal/community center project	3,474,354	1,720,006
Public safety building project	113,483	-
Land acquisition	281,525	40,772
Recreation facility impact fee	366,823	218,613

Note 16 - DESIGNATED FUND BALANCES, Continued

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Capital reserve fund:		
Open space impact fee	\$ 63,264	\$ 37,616
Water impact fee	21,143	15,787
Equipment	90,032	88,381
Portable Building - Planning Dept	-	1,792
Administration	6,030	266
Finance software/computer upgrade	192,561	197,569
Compensation study	15,000	-
Assessing	2,780	1,618
Code	4,474	436
Town clerk	2,977	660
Police vests	309	-
Pistol magazines (duty weapons)	1,200	-
Shotguns (replacement)	2,667	-
Cruisers	21,365	16,686
Police	9,561	9,561
Communications	7,276	7,276
Fire	854	854
Rescue	3,545	2,573
Public Works	24,605	26,619
Public Works vehicles	2,061	80,410
Fuel depot	4,421	-
Baxter Library	6,053	5,088
Recreation	1,583	748
Cable TV	342,799	275,953
Planning	6,817	6,817
GIS system	46,659	50,109
Internet	18,711	18,711
Web site development	10,143	10,143
Fire truck reserve	· •	130,942
Rescue reserve	130,942	, -
Recreation vehicles	2,208	2,208
Total capital reserve fund	\$6,287,888	\$4,331,257
Total governmental funds	\$7,073,673	\$5,141,010

Note: \* Paving deficit due to paving work done in June 2006 but funded with fiscal year 2007 funds.

### Note 17 - BUDGETARY VS. GAAP ACCOUNTING

Through June 30, 2006, the Town did not budget for expenditures related to teachers' summer pay on an accrual basis. Additionally, for budgetary purposes, the Town has recorded certain encumbrances as expenditures at year-end. The following is a reconciliation of fund balance for the General Fund and School Operations Fund (Special Revenue Fund) on the basis of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and on the budgetary basis.

	General <u>Fund</u>	Special Revenue <u>School</u>
Fund balance (deficit), June 30, 2006 – GAAP basis Accrued summer salaries	\$6,794,609 -	\$ (1,853,507) 2,079,187
Encumbrances	(298,828)	(71,070)
Fund balance, June 30, 2006 – budgetary basis	\$6,495,781	<b>\$ 154.610</b>

As required by generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), the Town has recorded a revenue and expenditure for Maine State Retirement contributions made by the State of Maine on behalf of the Gorham School Department. These amounts have not been budgeted in the General Fund and result in a difference in reporting on a budgetary basis of accounting vs. reporting under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America of \$2,662,214. These amounts have been included as an intergovernmental revenue and an education expenditure in the General Fund on Statement 2 (GAAP basis). There is no effect on the fund balance at the end of the year.

Additionally, the Gorham School Department has budgeted to utilize \$94,050 of its June 30, 2006 fund balance as part of its fiscal year ending June 30, 2007 budget.

### Note 18 – LANDFILL CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE CARE COSTS

The Town has two landfills, one that holds household refuse and a second, which is used for demolition debris. The first was capped in the 1970's in accordance with Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP) standards at the time. Monitoring wells in the area had shown levels of contamination and MDEP ordered a study be performed to determine the extent of contamination. This study has now been completed. Current MDEP requirements call for testing twice a year which is expected to cost the Town \$10,000 annually. The demolition debris landfill is now presently capped. Because of the study, the engineers do not expect any contamination problems in the future.

### Note 18 - LANDFILL CLOSURE AND POSTCLOSURE CARE COSTS, Continued

All potential postclosure monitoring cost for this site has been deemed immaterial, and therefore no liability for these amounts has been accrued. Postclosure monitoring costs will be included in the Town's operating budget annually.

### Note 19 – CONSTRUCTION COMMITMENT

At June 30, 2006, the Town was committed to contracts for the renovation work at the old Shaw School to turn it into a joint Municipal and Community Center project for approximately \$1,983,985.

### **Note 20 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

On September 5, 2006, the Gorham Town Council approved establishing a tax-increment-financing district designated as the Nappi Distributors Municipal Development and Tax Increment Financing District. Nappi Distributors intends on constructing a 155,000 square foot facility for warehousing and administration. This TIF period is 20 years with a 52% of the captured tax revenues returned to the developer.

Also on September 5, 2006, the Gorham Town Council approved increasing the sewer rates as follows:

- Base rate for first 100 cubic feet (cf) from \$11.44 per month to \$13.74 per month
- Readiness to serve fee from \$11.44 per month to \$13.74 per month
- Additional HCF after first 100 cf from \$4.44 per month to \$6.29 per month

The current sewer rates have not been adjusted since January 1995. And with the Town moving forward with the project to close the Little Falls Treatment Plant and extend the sewer line down Route 237 to the Westbrook Treatment Plan, which will be funded by new debt service, an increase in the sewer rates was necessary. The new rates will become effective November 1, 2006.

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### **GENERAL FUND**

The general fund is the general operating fund of the Town. All general tax revenues and other receipts that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to another fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenses, the fixed charges and the capital improvement costs, which are not paid through other funds.

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# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Comparative Balance Sheet - General Fund June 30, 2006 and 2005

		2006	2005
ASSETS			
Cash	\$	5,071	5,000
Investments	Ψ	9,096,038	8,382,316
Receivables:		,,0,0,0,00	0,502,510
Accounts		143,744	167,221
Rescue receivable (net of allowance of \$50,000 and 70,000)		114,204	76,582
Taxes receivable - current year		492,503	551,386
Taxes receivable - prior year		5,985	2,627
Tax liens		276,055	208,803
Tax acquired property		3,623	
Inventory		15,097	11,187
Other assets - performance bonds		2,477,424	2,443,561
Total assets	\$	12,629,744	11,848,683
Liabilities:			
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE			
Accounts payable and payroll withholdings		698,263	420,227
Accrued wages and benefits		94,860	160,670
Interfund loans		1,777,628	2,299,591
Deferred tax revenues		513,000	480,000
Middle school impact fees		273,960	244,703
Performance bond deposits		2,477,424	2,443,561
Total liabilities		5,835,135	6,048,752
Fund balance:			
Reserved for:			
Encumbrances		298,828	379,300
Inventory		15,097	11,187
Unreserved:		13,077	11,107
Designated		691,735	528,072
Undesignated		5,788,949	4,881,372
Total fund balance		6,794,609	5,799,931
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	12,629,744	11,848,683

### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE

### **General Fund**

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

Year ended June 30, 2006

(with comparative actual amounts for the year ended June 30, 2005)

		<del></del> -	2006		
		Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)	2005 Actual
Revenues:					
Taxes:					
Property taxes	\$	16,501,505	16,655,014	153,509	16,982,25
Change in deferred property tax revenue	*	-	(33,000)	(33,000)	(42,000
Excise taxes		2,316,000	2,480,592	164,592	2,359,64
Interest and costs on taxes		70,000	50,037	(19,963)	53,88
Total taxes		18,887,505	19,152,643	265,138	19,353,785
Licenses and permits:					
Building permits		225,000	514 970	200 070	220.62
Plumbing/electrical fees		22,000	514,879 41,001	289,879 19,001	329,629
Motor vehicle renewal fees		48,500	50,071	1,571	32,07
Town clerk fees		31,700	42,489	10,789	50,05
Other		6,000	23,058	17,058	45,78
Total licenses and permits		333,200	671,498	338,298	20,59 478,148
		333,200	071,470	330,290	4/0,14
Intergovernmental:					
State revenue sharing		1,299,600	1,372,122	72,522	1,302,05
Homestead exemption		379,642	379,972	330	369,43
Highway block grant		240,788	279,760	38,972	240,78
DARE		210,700	20	20	240,786
Other state grants		20,500	31,716	11,216	27,80
FEMA reimbursement			51,710	11,210	151,930
Human services assistance		15,000	10,834	(4,166)	10,22
Total intergovernmental		1,955,530	2,074,424	118,894	2,102,286
Investment income		100,000	243,115	143,115	110,166
			2.0,113	113,113	110,100
Charges for services:					
Recreation fees		30,000	30,001	1	20,028
Fire and rescue fees		317,100	409,393	92,293	239,677
Subdivision/development fees		43,560	88,239	44,679	91,901
Sewer inspection fees		3,000	2,900	(100)	7,820
Miscellaneous public works		4,100	5,854	1,754	7,858
Cable TV franchise fee		140,000	91,163	(48,837)	75,102
Solid waste user charges		391,500	404,425	12,925	404,619
Police fees, fines and outside work		21,400	20,239	(1,161)	26,320
University of Southern Maine assistance		12,500	12,500	<del></del>	12,500
Total charges for services		963,160	1,064,714	101,554	885,825

### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General Fund, Continued

	-		2006	<del></del>	
				Variance	2007
		Budget	Actual	Positive	2005
		Duaget	Actual	(Negative)	Actual
Revenues, continued:					
Other Revenues:					
Cemetery income	\$	8,000	8,725	725	7,470
Rent		46,080	46,080	-	46,080
Recreation reimbursement		-	483,803	483,803	548,948
Senior Mealsite		12,500	13,710	1,210	12,186
Payment in lieu of taxes		52,439	55,469	3,030	51,083
Miscellaneous		9,000	12,663	3,663	16,014
Miscellaneous unbudgeted		-	501,163	501,163	254,748
Total other revenues		128,019	1,121,613	993,594	936,529
Total revenues		22,367,414	24,328,007	1,960,593	23,866,739
			21,320,007	1,700,373	23,000,739
Expenditures:					
Current:					
General government:					
Administration		377,295	367,384	9,911	394,694
Assessing		128,133	97,821	30,312	121,811
Code enforcement		125,591	117,515	8,076	120,586
Elections		230,023	225,388	4,635	226,422
Municipal center		117,982	109,751	8,231	111,433
Technology		82,275	29,212	53,063	111,433
Shaw municipal center		42,400	12,970	29,430	52,402
Total general government		1,103,699	960,041	143,658	1,027,348
-					
Public Safety:					
Police department		1,314,415	1,321,890	(7,475)	1,267,055
Fire department		642,938	651,139	(8,201)	650,848
Rescue squad		380,760	366,317	14,443	349,580
Public utilities		110,500	76,727	33,773	105,301
Communications		315,879	311,417	4,462	312,989
Total public safety		2,764,492	2,727,490	37,002	2,685,773
Public Works:					
Public works maintenance		1 172 016	1 224 402	(50 505)	
Solid waste removal		1,173,016	1,226,603	(53,587)	1,234,859
Engineering		897,452	850,150	47,302	724,738
Total public works		75,000 2,145,468	47,959	27,041	1.050.507
Total public works		2,143,408	2,124,712	20,756	1,959,597
Health and Welfare		67,693	45,423	22,270	52,199
Recreation:					
Baxter Memorial Library		401.024	200.761	2.072	
Baxter Museum		401,834	398,761	3,073	382,339
		8,009	4,332	3,677	6,367
Little Falls Library		1,800	1,800	-	1,800
North Gorham Library		10,000	10,000	-	12,593
Parks and conservation		500	500	-	(29)
Recreation		188,027	186,350	1,677	177,637
Recreation - reimbursable programs		-	537,839	(537,839)	514,212
Total recreation		610,170	1,139,582	(529,412)	1,094,919

### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General Fund, Continued

			2006		
	•			Variance Positive	2005
		Budget	Actual	(Negative)	Actual
Expenditures, continued:					
Current, continued:					
Development:					
Planning	\$	187,212	186,906	306	178,829
Social services	Ψ	600	600	500	600
Appeals board/assessment appeals		1,650	532	1,118	657
G.P.C.O.G.		14,141	14,141	-	13,434
Total development		203,603	202,179	1,424	193,520
Insurances:					
Multi peril policy		136,000	129,480	6,520	121,044
Public liability		13,000	16,496	(3,496)	
Worker's compensation		119,690	101,054	18,636	11,307
MMA insurance premium		11,275	101,034	365	97,263 10,910
Total insurance		279,965	257,940	22,025	240,524
		277,703	237,740	22,023	240,324
Employee benefits:					
Group life insurance		600	752	(152)	640
Retirement		251,500	250,418	1,082	153,783
Major medical insurance		841,700	770,586	71,114	796,449
Direct unemployment compensation		2,500	1,957	543	2,494
Social security		350,765	312,288	38,477	312,854
Employee assistance program		1,000	1,050	(50)	600
Total employee benefits		1,448,065	1,337,051	111,014	1,266,820
Intergovernmental - County Tax		677,471	677,471		659,977
- County Tur		077,471	077,471		039,977
Unclassified:					
Contingency		74,278	27,000	47,278	42,716
Town clock		500	500	-	1,300
Memorial day		2,100	1,736	364	1,668
Gorham cable TV		84,585	73,057	11,528	69,488
Gorham sno-goers		1,000	1,000	-	-
Miscellaneous unbudgeted			287,839	(287,839)	261,899
Total unclassified		162,463	391,132	(228,669)	377,071
Debt service (excluding education):					
Principal		608,522	594,122	14 400	260 140
Interest		411,585	346,638	14,400 64,947	368,140
Total debt service		1,020,107	940,760	79,347	210,333 578,473

### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE

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

		2006		
<del>-</del>	Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)	2005 Actual
Expenditures, continued:				
Current, continued:				
Total expenditures \$	10,483,196	10,803,781	(320,585)	10,136,221
Excess of revenues over expenditures	11,884,218	13,524,226	1,640,008	13,730,518
Other financing sources (uses):			<u> </u>	
Transfers to school fund	(11,540,653)	(11,540,653)	_	(12,588,286)
Transfers to special revenue - economic	, , ,	( , ,,,,,,,,,		(12,500,200)
development	(63,000)	(53,486)	9,514	(58,299)
Transfers to special revenue - capital	, ,	(,,	2,22.	(50,2))
reserve	(563,565)	(1,128,424)	(564,859)	(507,726)
Transfers in from special revenue - TIF	(= == ,= == )	(1,120,121)	(501,057)	(307,720)
and capital reserve funds	283,000	273,486	(9,514)	125,232
Total other financing sources (uses)	(11,884,218)	(12,449,077)	(564,859)	(13,029,079)
Excess of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other uses - budgetary basis		1,075,149	1,075,149	701,439
Reconciliation to GAAP basis:				
Change in encumbrances		(80,471)		(127,894)
		(80,471)		(127,894)
Net change in fund balance		994,678		573,545
Fund balance, beginning of year		5,799,931		5,226,386
Fund balance, end of year \$		6,794,609	-	5,799,931

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ALL OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

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### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Combining Balance Sheet All Other Governmental Funds June 30, 2006

		Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Other Governmental Funds
ASSETS					
Cash	\$	122,838	_	_	122,838
Investments	•	59,501	445,275	576,290	1,081,066
Accounts receivable		90,878	-	-	90,878
Intergovernmental		99,490	-	_	99,490
Inventory		20,203	-	_	20,203
Interfund loans receivable		1,563,940	129,986	11,664	1,705,590
Total assets	\$	1,956,850	575,261	587,954	3,120,065
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities: Accounts payable		17,445	-	6,659	24,104
Deferred Medicaid revenues		92,951	-	-	92,951
Interfund loans payable		206,051	-	10,698	216,749
Total liabilities		316,447		17,357	333,804
Fund balances:					
Reserved for:					
Inventory		20,203	-	-	20,203
Unreserved:					
Designated		-	-	384,443	384,443
Undesignated		1,620,200	575,261	186,154	2,381,615
Total fund balance		1,640,403	575,261	570,597	2,786,261
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	1,956,850	575,261	587,954	3,120,065

### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances All Other Governmental Funds

For the year ended June 30, 2006

		Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Permanent Funds	Total Other Governmental Funds
Revenues:					
Property taxes	\$	263,793	_		263,793
Intergovernmental	*	1,288,834	112,237	_	1,401,071
Investment income		2,084	23,139	6,955	32,178
Other revenue		1,420,849	16,000	12,164	1,449,013
Total revenues		2,975,560	151,376	19,119	3,146,055
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Education		1,166,810	_	_	1,166,810
Public works - sewer		624,582	_	_	624,582
Other:		02.,502			024,362
Food services		927,436	-	_	927,436
Miscellaneous		240,603	_	14,912	255,515
Debt service:		,		11,512	255,515
Principal		208,650	_	2,358	211,008
Interest and other costs		41,298	_	87	41,385
Capital improvements		-	47,683	-	47,683
Total expenditures		3,209,379	47,683	17,357	3,274,419
Excess (deficiency) of revenues					
over (under) expenditures		(233,819)	103,693	1,762	(128,364
Other financing sources (uses):					
Transfer from other funds		55,278	100,000	_	155,278
Transfer to other funds		(84,294)	(303,170)	_	(387,464)
Total other financing sources (uses)		(29,016)	(203,170)		(232,186)
Net change in fund balances		(262,835)	(99,477)	1,762	(360,550)
Fund balances, beginning of year	_	1,903,238	674,738	568,835	3,146,811
Fund balances, end of year	\$	1,640,403	575,261	570,597	2,786,261

### **SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

Special revenue funds are used to account for specific revenues that are restricted by law or administrative action for particular purposes.

Special revenue funds are established for the following purposes:

**School Operations Fund --** To account for the operations of the Town of Gorham School Department, the revenues of which are dedicated by State statute for school purposes. The School Fund has been presented as a major fund. See Statement 3 and 4.

**School Special Revenue Funds --** To account for various federal and state grants for special programs administered by the School Department, as well as the activity of miscellaneous school programs.

**School Lunch Fund --** To account for the activity of the school lunch program.

**Sewer Operations** -- To account for the revenues and expenditures of the Sewer operations.

**Little Falls Sewer Reserve and Loan Fund --** To account for the financial activity of a reserve established for the Little Falls Sewer and of certain loans provided to sewer users.

**Economic Development Fund --** To account for a reserve earmarked for the Gorham Industrial Park.

**Capital Reserve --** To account for a reserve earmarked for future capital outlays. The Capital Reserve has been presented as a major fund. See Statement 3 and 4.

**Recreation Funds--** To account for the activity of miscellaneous recreation programs.

Public Safety Funds -- To account for the activity that benefits various fire companies and public safety groups.

Gorham Senior Citizens -- To account for the activities that benefit the senior citizens of Gorham.

**TIF Funds --** To account for the activity of the Gorham Industrial Park redevelopment district, the Grondin-ODAT development district, and the Pettingill Ross development district.

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# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Combining Balance Sheet Special Revenue Funds June 30, 2006 (with comparative actual amounts for the year ended June 30, 2005)

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					Little rails							
		School			Sewer							
		Special	School		Reserve	Economic		Public	Gorham			
		Revenue	Lunch	Sewer	and Loan	Development	Recreation	Safety	Senior	TIF	Totals	<u>.s</u>
		Funds	Fund	Operations	Fund	Fund	Funds	Funds	Citizens	Funds	2006	2005
ASSETS												
Cash	<del>69</del>	ı	53,710	1	ı	16,104	7,586	45,438	•	í	122.838	231,996
Investments		•	•	•	49,450		,		10.051	1	59,501	59 130
Accounts receivable		1,086	2,597	87,195	,	1		•		ı	90.878	149.814
Due from other governments		67,612	31,878	1	•	•	ı	•		1	99,490	66,160
Inventory		1	20,203	•	•	•	•	ı	1	1	20,203	20,000
Interfund loans receivable	ļ	260,401	1	889,536	14,552	23,639	1	1	•	375,812	1,563,940	1,538,912
Total assets	∳	329,099	108,388	976,731	64,002	39,743	7,586	45,438	10,021	375,812	1,956,850	2,066,012
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES												
Accounts payable		17,445	1	•	•	ı	•	•	,	•	17 445	008
Deferred Medicaid revenues		92,951	•	1	1	1	•	•	•	•	92.951	3 '
Interfund loans payable		96,422	109,629	-	-	•	1	•	•	1	206,051	161,974
Total liabilities		206,818	109,629	ı			1				316,447	162,774
Fund balances:												
Reserved for:												
Inventory		•	20,203	1	•	1	1	1	•	1	20,203	20,000
Unreserved:												
Undesignated		122,281	(21,444)	976,731	64,002	39,743	7,586	45,438	10,051	375,812	1,620,200	1,883,238
Total fund balances (deficit)		122,281	(1,241)	976,731	64,002	39,743	7,586	45,438	10,051	375,812	1,640,403	1,903,238

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976,731

108,388

329,099

Total liabilities and fund balances \$

# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Special Revenue Funds For the year ended June 30, 2006 (with comparative actual amounts for the year ended June 30, 2005)

	School			Little Falls							
	Special Revenue	School	Sewer	Reserve	Economic Develonment	Recreation	Public Sefety	Gorham	Ţ	E	Ļ
	Funds	Fund	Operations	Fund	Fund	Funds	Funds	Citizens	Funds	2006	2005
Revenues:											
Intergovernmental:											
Federal grants \$	842,500	1	1	•	•	•	•	•	•	842 500	843 313
Other state grants	216,427	•		•	•	•	•	Į	•	216.427	439 977
USDA subsidies	•	229,907	•	1	•	•	•	r	•	229,907	220.436
Total intergovernmental	1,058,927	229,907	-	•		,	ļ.	ļ ·	-	1.288,834	1.503.726
Investment income	1	1,697	•	308	16		,	63		2.084	2 542
Other revenues:					!						
Property taxes	•	1	•	•	•				262 702	263 703	051 740
Hannaford payment	Ī	1	16625			1	•	•	667,607	203,793	17 (25
User fees	Î	1	736.093				•	•	•	10,625	17,675
Miscellaneous	•	641,067		ı	62	13.583	13.419			668 131	670 205
Total other revenues	1	641,067	752,718		62	13,583	13,419	.	263,793	1.684.642	1.725,156
Total revenues	1,058,927	872,671	752,718	308	78	13,583	13,419	63	263.793	2.975.560	3.231.424
Expanditures:										22.26	
Commont.											
Education:											
Federal education grants	375 375	,	1							000	
State orants and special uses	290,323		•	ı	•	•	•	1	•	8/6,325	993,472
Total education	1 166 810	.   .	:		1		•	•	•	290,485	3/8,920
riornanna mor	1,100,010					•	•		۱	1,166,810	1,3/2,392
Public works - sewer costs			624,582	ı	,	-			r	624,582	534,636
Other:											
Food services	•	927,436	•	1	ı	1	•	•	•	927 436	875 101
Miscellaneous	•	1	•	•	53.486	17.570	11.082	ı	158 465	240,603	202,161
Total other	1	927,436			53,486	17,570	11,082		158,465	1,168,039	1.077.865
Debt service:							<u>.</u>		ļ		
Principal	•	,	208,650	1	•	1	•	•	•	208.650	194 000
Interest	-		41,298	•	•	1	٠	•	•	41.298	56.411
Total debt service	•		249,948			•		  - 	. 	249,948	250,411
Total expenditures	1,166,810	927,436	874,530	•	53,486	17,570	11,082	,	158,465	3,209,379	3.235.304
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TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Special Revenue Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2005
(with comparative actual amounts for the year ended June 30, 2005)

		School Special	School		Little Falls Sewer Reserve	Economic		Public	Gorham			
		Revenue Eurode	Lunch	Sewer	and Loan	Development	Recreation	Safety	Senior	TIF	Totals	
		rullas	runa	Operations	Fund	Fund	Funds	Funds	Citizens	Fund	2006	2005
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	¢.	(107 883)	(54.765)	(121.812)	300	(60)	(1000)	Ċ	(			
	,	(200,101)	(50,1,10)	(710,171)	2000	(33,400)	(3,987)	2,337	63	105,328	(233,819)	(3,880)
Other financing sources (uses):												
Transfers in		1	•	ı	1	53.486	1	,	•	1 792	55 778	0000
Transfers out		(30,808)	•	ı	•		ı	•		(53.486)	(84 204)	78,299
Total other financing sources (uses)		(30,808)	,		,	53,486	1	•	'	(51,694)	(94,234)	(30,299)
										(1,001,0)	(27,010)	
Net change in fund balance		(138,691) (54,765)	(54,765)	(121,812)	308	78	(3,987)	2,337	63	53,634	(262,835)	(3,880)
Fund balances, beginning of year		260,972	53,524	1,098,543	63,694	39,665	11,573	43,101	9.988	322.178	1.903.238	1 907 118
Fund balances (deficit), end of year	€	122.281	(1.241)	976.731	64.002	19 743	785 1	15 138	10.051	275 013	1 540 403	000 000 1
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### **CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND**

Capital projects fund are established to account for resources obtained and expended for the acquisition of major capital facilities.

The Town's individual capital project funds were established for the following purposes:

### **Middle School Construction**

To account for the construction of a new middle school on Weeks Road.

### **Narragansett School Roof Project**

To account for the replacement of the Narragansett School roof.

### **White Rock School Project**

To account for the preliminary work required before submitting a proposal of either renovating the existing White Rock school building or constructing a new elementary school to the State of Maine and requesting funding through the State's School Construction Aid program.

### **Various School Projects**

To account for various maintenance projects for the School Department.

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### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE

### Combining Balance Sheet Capital Project Funds June 30, 2006

(with comparative actual amounts for the year ended June 30, 2005)

	Middle School	Narragansett School	White Rock School	Various School	Tota	als
	 Project	Roof Project	Project	Project	2006	2005
ASSETS						
Investments	\$ 445,275	-	_	_	445,275	877,025
Interfund receivables	<u>-</u>		98,814	31,172	129,986	29,044
Total assets	\$ 445,275		98,814	31,172	575,261	906,069
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities:						
Accounts payable	_	_	_	_	_	_
Interfund loans payable	_	-	-	-	-	231,331
Total liabilities	-	-				231,331
Fund balances:						
Unreserved, undesignated	445,275	-	98,814	31,172	575,261	674,738
Total fund balances	 445,275	-	98,814	31,172	575,261	674,738
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 445,275	-	98,814	31,172	575,261	906,069

#### **Capital Project Funds**

#### Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances For the year ended June 30, 2006

(with comparative actual amounts for the year ended June 30, 2005)

	Middle	Narragansett	White Rock	Various		
	School	School	School	School	Tot	als
	Project	Roof Project	Project	Projects	2006	2005
Revenues:						
Intergovernmental	\$ -	112,237	-	_	112,237	_
Interest income	17,913	5,226	-	_	23,139	17,810
Miscellaneous income	-	_	-	16,000	16,000	5,000
Total revenues	17,913	117,463	-	16,000	151,376	22,810
Expenditures:						
Capital improvements:						
Construction and renovation	32,625	-	1,186	13,872	47,683	188,477
Total capital improvements	32,625	-	1,186	13,872	47,683	188,477
Total expenditures	32,625	<u> </u>	1,186	13,872	47,683	188,477
Excess (deficiency) of revenues						
over (under) expenditures	(14,712)	117,463	(1,186)	2,128	103,693	(165,667)
Other financing sources:						
Transfers - in	_	_	100,000	_	100,000	_
Transfers - out	_	(303,170)	-	_	(303,170)	_
Total other financing sources	-	(303,170)	100,000	-	(203,170)	
Net change in fund balance	(14,712)	(185,707)	98,814	2,128	(99,477)	(165,667)
Fund balances, beginning of year	459,987	185,707	<u> </u>	29,044	674,738	840,405
Fund balances, end of year	445,275		98,814	31,172	575,261	674,738

#### PERMANENT FUND

Permanent funds are established to account for assets received by the Town and held in trust.

#### **Cemetery Perpetual Care**

Various funds established to be used for the care and upkeep of the various town cemeteries.

#### **Parks and Recreation Grounds**

Various funds established to be used for the care and upkeep of the various parks in Gorham, as well as the Soldiers' monument in Gorham Village. The parks include Robie, Fort Hill, and Phinney.

#### **Baxter Library and Museum**

Various funds established to be used for the benefit of the Baxter Memorial Library and Baxter Museum.

#### **Schools**

Various funds established to be used for the purchase of equipment, library books, and pictures at Gorham High School.

#### **Public Purposes and Civic Improvements**

Various funds established to be used for any public purpose at the discretion of the Town Council.

#### Miscellaneous

Various funds established to be used for various benefits from permanent improvements, support and maintenance of Gorham's poor and indigent residents, eye care for Gorham students, and construction and upkeep of Gidding Chapel in Eastern Cemetery.

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Combining Balance Sheet Permanent Funds

June 30, 2006 (with comparative actual amounts for the year ended June 30, 2005)

	Cemetery Perpetual Care	Parks y and l Recreation Grounds	Baxter Library and Museum	Schools	Public Purpose and Civic Improvements	- Miscellaneous	Totals 2006	als 2005
ASSETS Investments Interfund loans receivable	\$ 163,950	0 12,406	188,243	37,937	14,342	159,412	576,290 11,664	594,049 6,983
Total assets	175,500	0 12,406	188,357	37,937	14,342	159,412	587,954	601,032
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:								
Accounts payable Interfund loans payable	6,659	6 -	10,298	1 1	1 1	- 400	6,659	5,546
Total liabilities	6,659	- 6	10,298	1	1	400	17,357	32,197
Fund balances: Principal	168,829	9 5,222	134,224	5,170	9,372	61.626	384,443	352.781
Unexpended income	12	7,184	43,835	32,767	4,970	97,386	186,154	216,054
Total fund balances	168,841	1 12,406	178,059	37,937	14,342	159,012	570,597	568,835
Total liabilities and and fund balances	\$ 175,500	) 12,406	188,357	37,937	14,342	159,412	587,954	601,032

TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

**Permanent Funds** 

For the year ended June 30, 2006 (with comparative actual amounts for the year ended June 30, 2005)

		Parks	Baxter		Public			
	Cemetery	y and	Library		Purpose			
	Perpetual	ll Recreation	and		and Civic		Totals	als
	Care	Grounds	Museum	Schools	Improvements	Miscellaneous	2006	2005
Revenues:								
Investment income	\$ 1.016	78	1.275	986	08	1361	2207	0770
Other miscellaneous			7	27	<b>.</b>	4,201	0,933	8,349
Donations	11,550		114	•	ı	200	12.164	15.452
Total revenues	12,566	78	1,389	236	68	4 761	19 119	23,432
Expenditures: Current:								
Debt Service:								
Principal	,	1	2.358	,	1	,	256	7 250
Interest and other charges	•	'	87	1	•	ı	6,730	6,230
Other miscellaneous	0499		7 8 5 2		ı	' 6	10	007
T-4-1	Coho		(,,0)	•	1	400	14,912	43,039
1 otal expenditures	6,659		10,298	•	1	400	17,357	45,657
Net change in fund balance	5,907	78	(8,909)	236	68	4,361	1,762	(21,856)
Fund balances, beginning of year	162,934	12,328	186,968	37,701	14,253	154,651	568,835	590,691
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 168,841	12,406	178,059	37,937	14,342	159,012	570,597	568,835

**FIDUCIARY FUNDS** 

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#### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets Fiduciary Funds

#### June 30, 2006

	Agency Funds	Private- purpose Trust Funds
ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 199,935	_
Investments		31,094
Total assets	199,935	31,094
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS Liabilities: Due to student groups Accounts payable	199,935	- 600
Total liabilities	 199,935	600
Net assets: Principal Unexpended income	-	29,836
Total net assets	 <u> </u>	658 30,494
Total liabilities and and net assets	\$ 199,935	31,094

#### Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets

#### Fiduciary Funds June 30, 2006

(with comparative actual amounts for June 30, 2005)

				Agency Fu	nds					
	High School Activity	White Rock Activity	Narragansett	Narragansett	Village Activity	Middle School Activity		Special	То	tals
	 Fund	Fund	Office	PIE	<u>Fund</u>	Fund	GCVE	Education	2006	2005
ASSETS										
Cash	\$ 131,920	13,822	2,952	15,186	13,863	19,960	2,215	17	199,935	215,361
Total assets	 131,920	13,822	2,952	15,186	13,863	19,960	2,215	17	199,935	215,361
LIABILITIES AND										
NET ASSETS										
Liabilities:										
Due to student groups	131,920	13,822	2,952	15,186	13,863	19,960	2,215	17	199,935	215,361
Total liabilities	 131,920	13,822	2,952	15,186	13,863	19,960	2,215	17	199,935	215,361
Net assets:										
Principal	-	_	_	_	_	_				
Unexpended income	_	-	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	-
Total net assets	-		-	<u> </u>	-					
Total liabilities and										
and net assets	\$ 131,920	13,822	2,952	15,186	13,863	19,960	2,215	17	199,935	215,361

#### Combining Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets

#### Fiduciary Funds June 30, 2006

(with comparative actual amounts for June 30, 2005)

	_			Private	-purpose Trust	Funds			
			Bob		Watson				
		Malcolm	Grant	Harry	Family	Thomas	Arthur/Jane		
		Smith	Memorial	Shevis	Trust	Fogg	Fogg	Tot	als
		Scholarship	Scholarship	Scholarship	Scholarship	Scholarship	Scholarship	2006	2005
ASSETS									
Investments	\$	2,976	2,378	3,270	12,638	8,362	1,470	31,094	30,349
Total assets		2,976	2,378	3,270	12,638	8,362	1,470	31,094	30,349
LIABILITIES AND									
NET ASSETS									
Liabilities:									
Accounts payable		100	100	100	300	_	-	600	450
Total liabilities		100	100	100	300	•	-	600	450
Net assets:									
Principal		2,776	2,208	3,070	11,950	8,362	1,470	29,836	29,257
Unexpended income		100	70	100	388	-	-	658	642
Total net assets	-	2,876	2,278	3,170	12,338	8,362	1,470	30,494	29,899
Total liabilities and									
and net assets	\$	2,976	2,378	3,270	12,638	8,362	1,470	31,094	30,349

#### Combining Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets

### Fiduciary Funds - Private-purpose For the year ended June 30, 2006

(with comparative actual amounts for June 30, 2005)

	Malcolm	Bob Grant	Harry	Watson Family	Thomas	Arthur & Jane		
	Smith	Memorial	Shevis	Trust	Fogg	Fogg	Tot	als
	Scholarship	Scholarship	Scholarship	Scholarship	Scholarship	Scholarship	2006	2005
Additions:								
Contributions:								
Donations \$	-	_	1,000	-	_	_	1,000	500
Investment earnings:			1,000				1,000	300
Interest	125	97	116	526	342	60	1,266	1,050
Net increase/(decrease) in the fair							1,200	1,050
value of investments	(106)	(83)	(95)	(446)	(290)	(51)	(1,071)	(578)
Total additions	19	14	1,021	80	52	9	1,195	972
Deductions:								
Current:								
Scholarships awarded	100	100	100	300	_	_	600	450
Total deductions	100	100	100	300		<u> </u>	600	450
Changes in net assets	(81)	(86)	921	(220)	52	9	595	522
Net assets, beginning of year	2,957	2,364	2,249	12,558	8,310	1,461	29,899	29,377
Net assets, end of year \$	2,876	2,278	3,170	12,338	8,362	1,470	30,494	29,899

#### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Statement of Changes in Assets and Liabilities Agency Funds

#### For the year ended June 30, 2006

	Balance			Balance
	July 1, 2005	Additions	Deletions	June 30, 2006
ASSETS				
Cash:				
High School Activity Fund \$	137,948	325,925	331,953	131,92
White Rock Activity Fund	13,272	17,355	16,805	13,82
Narragansett Office	3,161	5,979	6,188	2,95
Narragansett PIE	12,268	38,338	35,420	15,180
Village Activity Fund	2,762	54,826	43,725	13,863
Middle School Activity Fund	42,940	155,939	178,919	19,960
GCVE	2,847	3,776	4,408	2,215
Special Education	163	3,449	3,595	17
Total assets \$	215,361	605,587	621,013	199,935
LIABILITIES				
Funds held for student activities:				
	107.040			
High School Activity Fund	137,948	325,925	331,953	131,920
White Rock Activity Fund	13,272	17,355	16,805	13,822
Narragansett Office	3,161	5,979	6,188	2,952
Narragansett PIE	12,268	38,338	35,420	15,186
Village Activity Fund	2,762	54,826	43,725	13,863
Middle School Activity Fund	42,940	155,939	178,919	19,960
GCVE	2,847	3,776	4,408	2,215
Special Education	163	3,449	3,595	17
Total liabilities \$	215,361	605,587	621,013	199,935

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## CAPITAL ASSETS USED IN THE OPERATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

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## TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Capital Assets Used in the Operation of Governmental Funds - By Source June 30, 2006

(with comparative actual amounts for the year ended June 30, 2005)

		Tot	als
	•	2006	2005
Governmental fund capital assets:	•		
Land and buildings	\$	47,336,716	47,068,108
Furniture and equipment		11,957,240	11,526,272
Infrastructure		25,064,490	19,466,021
Total governmental fund capital assets	\$	84,358,446	78,060,401
Investments in governmental fund capital assets by source:			
General fund		79,910,969	77,417,551
Capital project funds	<del></del>	4,447,477	642,850
Total governmental fund capital assets	\$	84,358,446	78,060,401

## TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Schedule of Capital Assets Used in the Operation of Governmental Funds by Function and Activity June 30, 2006

(with comparative actual amounts for the year ended June 30, 2005)

	Land and	T	-	Tot	tals
Function and Activity	buildings	Furniture and equipment	Infrastructure	2006	2005
General government \$	2,965,692	237,105	_	3,202,797	2 242 260
Education	39,214,294	4,137,495			3,342,369
Public safety	570,380	3,791,795	-	43,351,789	43,324,990
Public works	1,753,811	•	-	4,362,175	4,212,446
Recreation, library and museum	, ,	2,423,832	20,617,013	24,794,656	22,813,726
	2,832,539	276,739	-	3,109,278	2,633,746
Construction in progress	-	-	4,447,477	4,447,477	642,850
Book collection, historical treasurers and artwork		1,090,274	-	1,090,274	1,090,274
Total governmental fund capital assets \$	47,336,716	11,957,240	25,064,490	84,358,446	78,060,401

Exhibit G-3
Schedule of Changes in Governmental Funds Capital Assets - By Function and Activity

For the year ended June 30, 2006

Function and Activity	Balance 2005	Additions	Deletions	Balance 2006
General government \$	2 242 262			
Education \$	3,342,369	20,428	160,000	3,202,797
	43,324,990	118,012	91,213	43,351,789
Public safety	4,212,446	208,995	59,266	4,362,175
Public works	22,813,726	2,171,930	191,000	24,794,656
Recreation, library and museum	2,633,746	475,532	-	3,109,278
Construction in progress	642,850	3,804,627		
Book collection, historical treasurers and artwork	_,	3,004,027	-	4,447,477
and all work	1,090,274	<u>-</u>	<del>-</del>	1,090,274
Totals \$	78,060,401	6,799,524	501,479	84,358,446

Note: Addition and Deletion totals include the assets transferred from one function/activity to another function/activity during fiscal year 2006 and amounts to \$105,205.

#### STATISTICAL SECTION

This part of the Town of Gorham's comprehensive annual financial report presents in detailed information as a context for understanding what the information in the financial statements and note disclosures says about the Town's overall financial health.

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These schedules contain trend information to help the reader understand how the government's financial performance and well-being have changed over time.	
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These schedules contain information to help the reader assess the government's most significant local revenue source, the property tax.	
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These schedules present information to help the reader assess the affordability of the government's current levels of outstanding debt and the government's ability to issue additional debt in the future.	
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These schedules offer demographic and economic indicators.	

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

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#### **Net Assets by Component**

## Last Ten Fiscal Years (1) (accrual basis of accounting)

	2003	<u>2004</u>	2005	2006
Governmental activities				
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	\$ 10,150,993	\$ 13,820,834	\$ 16,377,091	\$ 17,962,590
Restricted	350,383	354,163	352,781	384,443
Unrestricted	12,901,374	11,607,484	11,735,345	13,430,419
Total governmental activities net assets	\$ 23,402,750	\$ 25,782,481	\$ 28,465,217	\$ 31,777,452

<sup>(1)</sup> Fiscal year 2003 is the initial year of implementation of GASB Statement No. 34.

#### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Changes in Net Assets Last Ten Fiscal Years (1) (accrual basis of accounting)

				Fisc	al	Year		
		2003		2004		2005		2006
Expenses				<del></del>				
Governmental activities:								
General government	\$	2,281,895	\$	2,562,887	\$	3,925,978	\$	4,023,144
Public safety		2,496,047		2,819,226		2,879,251		2,979,424
Public works		1,957,858		1,973,330		3,262,818		3,517,160
Health & welfare		44,010		57,263		52,415		45,423
Recreation		267,235		1,039,901		1,264,777		1,229,648
Development		425,216		445,018		377,263		414,130
County tax <sup>3</sup>		595,692		645,663		-		_
Education		23,475,662		26,265,868		27,770,333		30,564,714
Interest on debt		1,251,078		1,158,576		1,306,889		1,370,154
Capital maintenance <sup>2</sup>		944,278		_		_		_
Total governmental activities expenses	•	33,738,971	-	36,967,732		40,839,724		44,143,797
Program Revenues	:		=		= =	10,002,727	•	11,113,757
Governmental activities:								
Charges for services:								
General government		352,799		474,992		553,250		762,661
Public safety		1,176,497		1,167,015		265,997		435,752
Public works		530,137		420,736		1,205,385		1,181,418
Health & welfare		12,735		13,712		12,186		13,710
Recreation		35,739		124,983		568,976		513,804
Development		51,735		55,508		99,721		91,139
Education		574,896		633,132		660,199		669,220
Operating grants and contributions		13,897,976		15,671,082		16,493,334		19,244,840
Capital grants and contributions		175,064		256,658		1,800,096		2,262,981
Total governmental activities program revenues	•	16,807,578		18,817,818		21,659,144	-	25,175,525
Net (expense)/revenue, governmental activities	=	(16,931,393)	•	(18,149,914)		(19,180,580)	=	(18,968,272)
General Revenues and Other Changes in	=		: :			<u> </u>	=	
Net Assets								
Governmental activities:								
Taxes								
Property taxes, levied for general purposes		14,808,959		16,253,550		17,234,005		16,918,807
Payment in lieu of taxes		45,233		52,922		51,083		55,469
Motor vehicle and boat excise taxes		2,107,389		2,267,577		2,359,645		2,480,592
Grants and contributions not restricted								
Homestead exemption		441,123		410,820		369,434		379,972
Other state aid		22,265		27,119		27,807		31,716
State revenue sharing		1,194,609		1,236,201		1,302,053		1,372,122
Unrestricted investment earnings		317,110		151,965		273,500		628,511
Miscellaneous revenues		194,214		129,491		245,789		251,818
Special item - sale of property								161,500
Total governmental activities	_	19,130,902		20,529,645		21,863,316	-	22,280,507
Change in Net Assets	=		•		. =		=	
Governmental activities	\$	2,199,509	\$	2,379,731	\$	2,682,736	\$	3,312,235

<sup>(1)</sup> Fiscal year 2003 is the initial year of implementation of GASB Statement No. 34.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Fiscal year 2003 is the only year that reported capital maintenance expenses. Fiscal year 2004 figures restated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Fiscal year 2002 and 2003 are the only years that reported county tax expenses separately. Fiscal year 2005 figure was restated and county tax expenses reported in general government. Fiscal year 2006 going forward will have the county tax expenses in the general government category.

#### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Governmental Activities Tax Revenues by Source Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)

(accrual basis of accounting)

		Interest &		
Fiscal	Property	Costs on	Excise	
Year	 Taxes	 Taxes	Taxes	Total
2003	\$ 14,828,959	\$ 76,937	\$ 2,107,389 \$	17,013,285
2004	16,289,550	65,968	2,267,577	18,623,095
2005	17,192,005	53,883	2,359,645	19,605,533
2006	16,885,807	50,037	2,480,592	19,416,436

<sup>(1)</sup> Fiscal year 2003 is the initial year of implementation of GASB Statement No. 34.

#### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Fund Balances of Governmental Funds Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)

(modified accrual basis of accounting)

	Fiscal Year						
		<u>2003</u>		2004		2005	 2006
General fund							
Reserved	\$	378,959	\$	523,870	\$	390,487	\$ 313,925
Unreserved		4,040,140		4,461,349		5,409,444	6,480,684
Total General Fund	=	4,419,099	•	4,985,219		5,799,931	 6,794,609
All other governmental funds							
Reserved		709,198		883,752		946,732	487,466
Unreserved, reported in:				,		,	.,
Special revenue funds		3,008,281		5,298,075		4,636,672	6,123,327
Capital project funds		4,657,117	2	840,405		674,738	575,261
Permanent funds	_	256,289		236,528	_	216,054	186,154
Total all other governmental funds	\$ _	8,630,885	\$	7,258,760	\$	6,474,196	\$ 7,372,208

<sup>(1)</sup> Fiscal year 2003 is the initial year of implementation of GASB Statement No. 34.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The increase in capital project funds unreserved fund balance was due to unspent bond proceeds from an issuance during the period for capital projects.

#### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)

(modified accrual basis of accounting)

•			Fise	cal	Year		
		2003	2004		2005		2006
Revenues							
Taxes	\$	17,013,285	\$ 18,623,095	\$	19,605,533	\$	19,416,436
Licenses and permits		265,683	403,479	•	478,148	-	671,498
Intergovernmental		15,512,386	17,277,215		17,889,358		20,496,153
Investment income		321,070	91,689		219,617		578,474
Charges for services		1,039,249	948,434		1,710,070		1,878,026
Other		1,887,704	2,191,176		2,268,251		2,553,714
Total General Fund		36,039,377	39,535,088		42,170,977		45,594,301
Expenditures							
General government		2,299,593	2,532,185		3,546,209		3,676,038
Public safety		2,404,927	2,528,566		2,680,546		2,755,743
Public works		2,358,406	2,271,766		2,680,700		2,764,528
Health & welfare		44,010	57,263		52,199		45,423
Recreation		503,617	613,591		1,088,416		1,122,005
Development		227,103	218,559		180,108		196,437
County tax <sup>2</sup>		595,692	645,663		_		_
Unclassified		996,485	1,132,948		1,120,904		1,182,951
Education		22,400,701	24,275,500		25,472,463		27,706,039
Debt Service		, ,	,,		,,,,_,,,		2.,,,,,,,,,
Principal		3,671,646	2,299,646		2,474,646		2,694,646
Interest		1,227,883	1,283,126		1,321,723		1,386,092
Capital maintenance		3,565,148	681,611		914,079		1,176,816
Capital improvements		13,046,960	5,177,893		912,630		4,606,632
Total expenditures		53,342,171	43,718,317		42,444,623		49,313,350
Other financing sources (uses)							
Capital lease proceeds		323,256	227,224		344,308		330,058
Long term debt issued		21,225,000	3,150,000		-		5,000,000
Transfers in		10,841,842	12,667,625		13,279,543		13,401,011
Transfers out		(10,841,842)	(12,667,625)		(13,279,543)		(13,401,011)
Total other financing sources (uses)	-	21,548,256	3,377,224		344,308		5,330,058
Net change in fund balances	\$	4,245,462	\$ (806,005)	\$	70,662	\$	1,611,009
Debt service as a percentage of							
noncapital expenditures		15.4%	10.5%		10.3%		10.3%

<sup>(1)</sup> Fiscal year 2003 is the initial year of implementation of GASB Statement No. 34.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Fiscal year 2002 and 2003 are the only years that reported county tax expenses separately. Fiscal year 2005 figure was restated and county tax expenses reported in general government. Fiscal year 2006 going forward will have the county tax expenses in the general government function.

## TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Assessed Value and State Equalized Value of Taxable Property Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year Ended June 30	Real P Residential Property	roperty Commercial Property	Personal Property	Less Tax Exempt Real Property	Total Taxable Assessed Value <sup>1</sup>	Total Direct Tax Rate	State Equalized Value <sup>2</sup>	Assessed Value as a Percentage of Equalized Value
1997	\$ 507,605,200	\$ 83.818.500	\$ 20,370,300	\$ 99,222,800	\$ 512,571,200	19.10	\$ 508,600,000	100.8%
1998	524,006,200	91,573,000	22,309,900	102,804,100	535,085,000	19.10	528,000,000	100.8%
1999	514,719,000	94,091,800	21,676,800	103,219,400	527,268,200	19.40	· · · ·	
2000	535,353,000	93,630,800	31,960,200	. , . ,	, ,		567,650,000	92.9%
	, ,	, ,	, -,	105,998,400	554,945,600	20.50	609,150,000	91.1%
2001	501,722,200	162,259,600	39,489,200	125,864,100	577,606,900	21.40	643,800,000	89.7%
2002	689,785,700	242,742,500	40,933,200	193,603,600	779,857,800	17.40	716,650,000	108.8%
2003	719,958,800	244,000,100	42,637,800	201,604,400	804,992,300	18.40	835,200,000	96.4%
2004	758,447,900	240,177,400	43,985,800	203,250,100	839,361,000	19.40	937,300,000	89.6%
2005	782,949,600	238,791,800	46,492,900	199,926,400	868,307,900	20.00	1,085,600,000	80.0%
2006	808,313,900	237,869,000	44,511,600	220,950,100	869,744,400	19.50	1,234,200,000	70.5%

#### Sources:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Gorham Assessing office. The substantial increase seen in fiscal year 2002 is due to a revaluation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> State of Maine, Bureau of Taxation

# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Property Tax Rates - All Direct and Overlapping Governments (Per \$1,000 of Assessed Value)

**Last Ten Fiscal Years** 

	Dir	ect	Overlapping	
Fiscal Year	Municipal Tax Rate	School Tax Rate	County Tax Rate	Total Tax Rate
1997	5.65	12.63	0.82	19.10
1998	5.74	12.85	0.81	19.40
1999	5.75	13.27	0.78	19.80
2000	5.84	13.94	0.72	20.50
2001	6.05	14.59	0.76	21.40
2002	4.58	12.20	0.62	17.40
2003	4.92	12.76	0.72	18.40
2004	5.09	13.56	0.75	19.40
2005	5.06	14.20	0.74	20.00
2006	5.76	12.98	0.76	19.50

Source: Gorham Assessing office.

<sup>1</sup> The drop in the tax rate for fiscal year 2002 was the result of revaluation.

#### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Principal Property Taxpayers Current Year and Nine Years Ago

		2006			1997		
Taxpayer	Current year assessed value	Rank	Percentage of total assessed value	Current year assessed value	Rank	Percentage of total assessed value	
Central Maine Power Co	\$ 21,691,000	1	2.49%	\$ 14,261,700	1	2.78%	
Grondin, R J & Phillip	11,221,600	2	1.29%	3,851,500	5	0.75%	
Gorham House	10,070,100	3	1.16%	6,521,200	2	1.27%	
American Tool Co	6,930,800	4	0.80%	4,802,200	3	0.94%	
Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline LLC	6,828,900	5	0.79%	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		002.70	
Gorham Savings Bank	6,740,700	6	0.78%	1,869,800	8	0.36%	
Hannaford Brothers	6,102,300	7	0.70%	.,,		0.5070	
Scott Paper	5,713,200	8	0.66%	2,394,500	6	0.47%	
Shaw Brothers Construction Co	5,270,400	9	0.61%	, ,	_	0,0	
Maine Mobile Homes	5,107,700	10	0.59%				
Sebago, Inc.				4,300,000	4	0.84%	
Cottle Realty				1,996,900	7	0.39%	
Goldman Machine Tool Group, Inc.				1,644,800	9	0.32%	
Eight Corners				1,394,000	10	0.27%	
Totals	\$ 85,676,700		9.87%	\$ 43,036,600		8.39%	

Source: Gorham Assessing office.

#### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Property Tax Levies and Collections Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year	Total Tax			within the of the Levy	Collections in		Total Collections to Date		
Ended		Levy for		Percentage	Subsequent Years			Percentage	
June 30	F	iscal Year 1	Amount	of Levy			Amount	of Levy	
1997	\$	9,801,003	\$ 9,438,354	96.3%	\$	358,270	\$ 9,796,624	100.0%	
1998		10,398,609	9,998,915	96.2%		394,294	10,393,209	99.9%	
1999		10,476,528	10,137,863	96.8%		333,586	10,471,449	100.0%	
2000		11,381,979	10,917,744	95.9%		457,921	11,375,665	99.9%	
2001		12,485,788	12,132,184	97.2%		344,728	12,476,912	99.9%	
2002		13,626,308	13,138,832	96.4%		470,526	13,609,358	99.9%	
2003		14,852,234	14,470,933	97.4%		351,563	14,822,496	99.8%	
2004		16,311,136	15,827,928	97.0%		429,597	16,257,525	99.7%	
2005		17,379,982	16,828,596	96.8%		408,954	17,237,550	99.2%	
2006		16,980,208	16,487,705	97.1%		· <u>-</u>	16,487,705	97.1%	

Tax commitment plus supplemental taxes assessed during fiscal year.

#### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Ratios of Outstanding Debt by Type Last Ten Fiscal Years

	Governmer	ıtal A	Activities					
Fiscal	General Obligation		Capital	_	Total Primary	Percentage of Personal		Per
Year	Debt		Leases		Government	Income 1	<u>C</u>	apita <sup>1</sup>
1997	\$ 17,094,964	\$	624,818	\$	17,719,782	10.19%	\$	1,364
1998	15,719,918		503,071		16,222,989	9.11%		1,220
1999	14,431,322		378,142		14,809,464	8.13%		1,088
2000	14,511,676		400,113		14,911,789	4.98%		1,055
2001	13,232,030		428,607		13,660,637	4.49%		952
2002	14,498,884		419,344		14,918,228	4.81%		1,019
2003	32,052,238		501,385		32,553,623	10.22%		2,164
2004	32,902,542		534,671		33,437,213	10.43%		2,208
2005	30,427,896		659,477		31,087,373	9.69%		2,053
2006	32,733,250		708,418		33,441,668	10.43%		2,208

Note: Details regarding the Town's outstanding debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Table 14, Schedule of Demographic and Economic Statistics, for personal income and population data.

#### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Ratios of General Bonded Debt Outstanding Last Ten Fiscal Years

Fiscal Year	General Obligation Debt	te ssed e of Per rty <sup>1</sup> Capit				
1997	\$ 17,094,964	3.36%	\$	1,316		
1998	15,719,918	2.98%	·	1,182		
1999	14,431,322	2.54%		1,060		
2000	14,511,676	2.38%		1,026		
2001	13,232,030	2.06%		922		
2002	14,498,884	2.02%		990		
2003	32,052,238	3.84%		2,131		
2004	32,902,542	3.51%		2,173		
2005	30,427,896	2.80%		2,009		
2006	32,733,250	2.65%		2,161		

Note: Details regarding the Town's outstanding debt can be found in the notes to the financial statements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Table 6, Schedule of Assessed Value and State Equalized Value of Taxable Property, for property value data.

Population data can be found in the Schedule of Demographic and Economic Statistics, Table 14.

# TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Direct and Overlapping Governmental Activities Debt General Obligation Bonds

As	of .l	une	30.	2006

Jurisdiction	Net general obligation bonded debt outstanding	Percentage applicable to government	Amount applicable to government
Direct:			
Town of Gorham	\$ 32,733,250	100.00%	\$ 32,733,250
Overlapping debt:			
Cumberland County	10,560,000	3.59%	379,246
Portland Water District - sewer debt, Gorham only	25,089,728	4.15%	1,040,764
Portland Water District - sewer shared with Windham	25,089,728	0.02%	5,298
Portland Water District - water debt	21,325,000	5.37%	1,144,978
Contingent debt:			
Ecomaine:			
Resources recovery system	43,076,000	4.03%	1,736,581
Material recycling facility	5,029,000	5.60%	281,624
Landfill closure (see note)	20,737,626	4.05%	839,821
	\$ 183,640,332		\$ 38,161,562

Note: Ecomaine's Landfill closure and postclosure costs and the municipal proportional share are as of June 30, 2005 since the June 30, 2006 figures are unavailable until their annual audit is completed.

#### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Statutory Debt Margin Information Last Ten Fiscal Years

In Accordance with 30 MRSA, Section 5061 as Amended

Fiscal Year	 Debt Limit	_	otal net debt licable to limit	]	Legal Debt Margin	Total net debt applicable to limit as a percentage of debt limit
1997	\$ 76,290,000	\$	17,094,964	\$	59,195,036	22.41%
1998	79,200,000		15,719,918		63,480,082	19.85%
1999	85,147,500		14,431,322		70,716,178	16.95%
2000	91,372,500		14,511,676		76,860,824	15.88%
2001	96,570,000		13,232,030		83,337,970	13.70%
2002	107,497,500		12,031,884		95,465,616	11.19%
2003	125,280,000		32,052,238		93,227,762	25.58%
2004	140,595,000		32,902,542		107,692,458	23.40%
2005	162,840,000		30,427,896		132,412,104	18.69%
2006	185,130,000		32,733,250		152,396,750	17.68%

Legal Debt Margin Calculation for Fiscal Year 2006

		Outstanding bonds and notes	Percent of state assessed value of \$1,234,200,000	Allowable Amount	Margin		
For school purposes	\$	22,877,737	10.00%	\$ 123,420,000	\$	100,542,263	
For storm or sanitary sewer purposes	453,250		7.50%	92,565,000		92,111,750	
For municipal, airport, water, and special district purposes		-	3.00%	37,026,000		37,026,000	
For all other purposes		9,402,263	7.50%	92,565,000		83,162,737	
Total	\$	32,733,250	15.00%	\$ 185,130,000	\$	152,396,750	

#### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Demographic and Economic Statistics Last Ten Fiscal Years

			Per Capita			
Fiscal		Personal	Personal	Median	School	Unemployment
Year	Population <sup>1</sup>	Income <sup>2</sup>	Income <sup>2</sup>	Age <sup>2</sup>	Enrollment <sup>3</sup>	Rate 4
1997	12,990	\$ 173,949,090	\$ 13,391	30.9	2,524	2.50%
1998	13,296	178,046,736	13,391	30.9	2,566	2.30%
1999	13,610	182,251,510	13,391	30.9	2,599	2.00%
2000	14,141	299,421,534	21,174	34.3	2,625	2.40%
2001	14,354	303,931,596	21,174	34.3	2,583	2.70%
2002	14,640	309,987,360	21,174	34.3	2,633	2.90%
2003	15,041	318,478,134	21,174	34.3	2,708	3.20%
2004	15,145	320,680,230	21,174	34.3	2,760	3.10%
2005	15,145	320,680,230	21,174	34.3	2,761	3.30%
2006	15,145	320,680,230	21,174	34.3	2,725	3.30%

#### Data Source

U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of Census The 1997-1999 figures are based on July Census estimates, while the 2000 is based on the 2000 actual Census data, and the 2001-2004 are based on July Census estimates. The 2005 and 2006 figures are the July 1, 2004 Census estimate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of Census (1990 and 2000)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Maine Department of Education. Figures are based on April 1 enrollment data. The April 1, 2006 enrollment data, however, is from the Gorham School Dept.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> U.S. Department of Labor. The 1997 - 2005 figures are annual rates. The 2006 figure was based on June 2006 data from U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Bureau of Census.

## TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Principal Employers Current Year and Nine Years Ago

		2006		1997 1				
Employer	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Gorham's Labor Force	Employees	Rank	Percentage of Gorham's Labor Force		
University of Southern Maine*	667	1	7.4%	399	2	5.3%		
Town of Gorham: School/Municipal	501	2	5.5%	400	1	5.3%		
Gorham House	214	3	2.4%	200	3	2.6%		
Hannaford Brothers	180	4	2.0%		J	2.0%		
Gorham Savings Bank	167	5	1.8%					
R. J. Grondin	155	6	1.7%	180	5	2.4%		
Shaw Brothers Construction, Inc. Irwin Industrial Tool	130	7	1.4%	100	Ü	2.170		
(formerly American Tool)	120	8	1.3%	190	4	2.5%		
GPX, International Tire Corp (formerly	<b></b>							
Maine Rubber International)	68	9	0.7%					
Maine Valve Rebuilders	50	10	0.6%					
	2,252		24.8%	1,369		18.1%		

Source: Maine Department of Labor and U.S. Department of Labor

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Only top five employers information available for fiscal year 1997.

<sup>\*</sup> Gorham campus only.

## TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Full-time Equivalent Town Government Employees by Function

Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)

	Full-time Equivalent Employees as of June 30									
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
Function										
General Government	13	13	14	14	14	15	15	15	16.5	
Public Safety:										
Police:										
Officers	16	17	18	20	20	20	20	21	21	
Civilians	6	6	6	8	8	8	8	9	2	
Fire:										
Firefighters and EMT's	5	5	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	
Civilians	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Public Works	13	15	15	15	18	18	18	18	19	
Recreation	11	11	11	11	12	12	15	15	15	
Development	4	4	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	
Total	70	73	<b>79</b>	83	86	87	90	92	87.5	

<sup>(1)</sup> Data unavailable for fiscal year 1997, so only nine years of data has been presented.

#### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Operating Indicators by Function Last Ten Fiscal Years (1)

	Fiscal Year <sup>2</sup>								
	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Function									
General Government:									
Building permits:									
Single family	82	90	93	94	137	193	84	90	91
Condos	9	20	13	8	0	0	7	13	41
Commercial	17	20	17	31	21	25	31	23	16
Total number permits issued	782	940	1,140	1,145	n/a	n/a	1,118	1,276	1,374
Public Safety:							,	,	_,
Police:									
Number of calls for service	n/a	8,364	8,335	8,553	12,600	16,502	17,359	18,832	17076
Number of physical arrests	n/a	440	318	462	521	462	349	286	353
Number of summons & warnings	n/a	5,474	4,248	4,650	3,711	3,086	3,654	2,525	3168
Parking tickets issued	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	369	662	503	372
Number of accidents investigated	n/a	578	513	588	n/a	649	658	586	668
Fire:									
Number of fire and rescue calls	2,352	2,779	2,537	3,000	3,000	4,719	4,904	5,028	5,285
Public Works:							·	,	,
Number of roads maintained	221	229	232	233	234	247	256	261	263
Lane miles of roads maintained	241.6	244.6	246.0	246.0	252.8	268.4	273.8	275.0	276.0
Acres of public area maintained	108.1	108.1	108.1	108.1	108.1	108.1	108.1	113.1	113.1
Acres of cemeteries maintained	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.8	17.8	19.6	21.1
Recreation:									
Library:									
Number of items circulated	89,304	96,725	97,031	95,585	95,166	106,238	91,669	89,091	91,784
						•			•

Sources: Various town departments.

n/a = data not available

<sup>(1)</sup> Information unavailable for fiscal year 1997, so only nine years of data has been presented.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Information reported for each fiscal year is for prior year's activity. Therefore, the fiscal year 2005 information is for activity in 2004.

#### TOWN OF GORHAM, MAINE Capital Asset Statistics by Function Last Ten Fiscal Years

	Fiscal Year										
	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
Function											
Public Safety:											
Police:											
Stations	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Patrol units	9	10	10	13	13	13	13	13	13	13	
Fire stations	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	
Public Works:								-	Ü	Ü	
Streets (miles) 1	152.5	156.5	157.2	157.7	157.7	252.8	268.4	273.8	275.0	276.0	
Street lights	330	330	330	338	338	342	342	357	357	365	
Traffic signals	9	9	9	9	9	10	10	11	11	11	
Cemeteries	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	
Recreation:								-	_		
Libraries	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Parks acreage	203.8	203.8	203.8	203.8	203.8	203.8	203.8	203.8	203.8	211.3	
Parks	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	
Tennis courts	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	
Outdoor basketball courts	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	

Sources: Various town departments.

Note: No capital asset indicators are available for the general government function.

In fiscal year 2002, the Public Works Department changed how it was calculating the total miles of roads in Gorham. They began computing lane miles instead of straight miles.