

TOWN OF NORTH ELBA

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the Town have been prepared using the statutory basis of accounting as prescribed by the Office of the State Comptroller of the State of New York for submitting annual financial reports to that office. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The statutory basis of accounting referred to above is considered an Other Comprehensive Basis of Accounting (OCBOA), which differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America primarily because it does not reflect the adoption of GASB Statements Number 34, 38 and 45. Consequently, the accompanying statutory basis financial statements are not intended to present financial position or results of operations in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In preparing financial statements in conformity with the statutory basis of accounting referred to above, Town management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the statutory basis financial statements, and reported amount of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

The following is a summary of the Town's significant accounting policies consistently applied in the preparation of the accompanying statutory basis financial statements:

A. Financial Reporting Entity

The Town of North Elba, New York (Town) was established in 1849 and is governed by Town Law of the State of New York, other general state laws, and various local laws and ordinances. The Town Board, which consists of a Supervisor and four councilmen, is the legislative body responsible for overall operations. The Supervisor serves as chief executive officer and as chief fiscal officer.

The Town provides the following basic services: general governmental support, fire protection, airport, highways and streets, a transfer station, public improvements, planning and zoning, general administrative services, water and sewer, and recreation (including a toboggan chute, equestrian show grounds and a golf course).

All governmental activities and functions performed for the Town of North Elba are its direct responsibility. No other governmental organizations have been included or excluded from the reporting entity.

In evaluating how to define the Town for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria set forth in accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The basic, but not the only, criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the governing body's ability to exercise oversight responsibility. The most significant manifestation of

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this ability is financial interdependence.

Other manifestations of the ability to exercise oversight responsibility include, but are not limited to, the selection of governing authority, the designation of management, the ability to influence operations significantly, and accountability for fiscal matters. A second criterion used in evaluating potential component units is the scope of public service. Application of this criterion involves considering whether the activity benefits the Town and/or its citizens, or whether the activity is conducted within the geographic boundaries of the Town and is generally available to its citizens. A third criterion used in evaluating potential component units is the existence of special financing relationships, regardless of whether the Town is able to exercise oversight responsibilities.

Based on the application of these criteria, the Town has no component units to be included in its reporting entity.

B. Fund Accounting

The Town of North Elba uses funds to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

The Town of North Elba records its transactions in the fund types described below.

Fund Categories

- a) **Governmental Funds** - Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of expendable financial resources and the related liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The measurement focus of the governmental funds is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position. The following are the Town of North Elba's governmental fund types.

General Fund - the principal operating fund which includes all operations not required to be recorded in another fund

Special Revenue Funds - used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. Since the Town includes the incorporated Village of Lake Placid and a portion of the incorporated Village of Saranac Lake, certain funds are required by the prescribed accounting principles identified above to account for revenues generated to finance activities provided outside the villages. The following Special Revenue Funds are utilized:

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General Outside Village Fund – used to account for operations (excluding those accounted for in the *Highway Outside Village Fund*) the expense of which are partially shared with Villages within the Town

Highway Town-wide Fund – used to account for revenues that are generated to finance expenditures for repairs and improvements to bridges.

Highway Outside Village Fund – used to account for revenues generated to finance expenditures for acquisition and repairs to highway machinery, snow removal, and repairs and improvements to town roads located outside the incorporated villages.

Sewer Fund – to account for revenues generated to finance operations, including debt service, of sewer districts. The Town has one sewer district and has elected not to account for sewer operations as a business-type activity in an enterprise fund.

Water Fund – to account for revenues generated to finance operations, including debt service, of the Town's water districts. The Town has three water districts and has elected not to account for water operations as a business-type activity in an enterprise fund.

Fire Protection District Fund – to account for revenues generated to finance fire protection and prevention operations, including debt service, of the Town's fire protection districts. The Town has three fire protection districts.

Park District Fund – used to account for revenues generated to finance recreation activities, such as the Craig Wood Golf Course, operations of the Lake Placid Airport, the Town's funding of the Olympic Regional Development Authority, and other recreation activities.

Road District Fund (Special Miscellaneous) – used to account for revenues generated to finance the paving of a private road dedicated to the Town.

Capital Projects Fund - used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition and/or construction of major capital facilities for the town's various governmental funds.

- b) Fiduciary Funds** - used to account for assets held by the Town in a trustee or custodial capacity. Fiduciary funds may consist of pension trust funds, private purpose trust funds, investment trust funds and agency funds. Currently, the Town reports only agency funds and one private purpose trust fund, as follows:

Agency Funds - used to account for money (and/or property) received and held in the capacity of trustee, custodian or agent pending payment to the proper agencies or organizations.

Private Purpose Trust Fund – used to account for monies received from the Jewish Community Center of

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Saranac Lake, Inc., pursuant to certain trust agreements, to be invested in eligible investments, with the income generated from such investments to be used for the perpetual care and maintenance of lots in the Hebrew Memorial Cemetery.

C. Basis of Accounting/Measurement Focus

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures and the related assets and liabilities are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus. Measurement focus is the determination of what is measured, i.e. expenditures or expenses.

Modified Accrual Basis – The Town's governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Under this basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when they become susceptible to accrual, which is when they are both measurable and available. Measurable means the amounts can be reasonably determined and available means the cash resources are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Revenues are considered to be available if collected within sixty (60) days of the end of the fiscal year. The Town's annual real property tax levies are guaranteed by the County of Essex, and the full amount of the levy is received each year. Accordingly, no outstanding tax receivables are shown in the Town's financial statements. A similar availability period is used to recognize other governmental fund revenues that are susceptible to accrual. Revenues susceptible to accrual include fuel sales, insurance premium reimbursements, water rents, court fines and fees, sewer rents, state aid and federal aid. Various other revenues, such as recreation fees, licenses, permits and miscellaneous charges for services are generally measurable when received, and accordingly are recorded on a cash basis.

Expenditures are recorded when related liabilities are incurred except that:

- a. Payments for inventory-type items are recognized as expenditures at the time of purchase (purchase method).
- b. Payments of principal and interest on indebtedness are recognized as expenditures when the payments are due.
- c. Compensated absences, such as vacation and sick leave which vests or accumulates, are charged as expenditures when paid.
- d. Costs of acquiring or improving capital assets are recorded as expenditures when applicable liabilities are incurred.
- e. Liability insurance costs are booked as a prepaid expense.

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D. Fund Balances

In fiscal 2011, the Town implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions (GASB 54). GASB 54 changed the classification of fund balance to focus on the constraints imposed on resources in governmental funds, instead of the previous focus on availability for appropriation.

Fund balance is now broken down into five different classifications: non-spendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned.

Nonspendable consists of assets that are inherently non-spendable in the current period either because of their form or because they must be maintained intact, including prepaid items, inventories, long-term portions of loans receivable, financial assets held for resale, and principal of endowments.

Restricted consists of amounts that are subject to externally enforceable legal purpose restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments; or through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed consists of amounts that are subject to a purpose constraint imposed by a formal action of the government's highest level of decision-making authority before the end of the fiscal year, and that require the same level of formal action to remove the constraint. The Town Board is the decision-making authority that can, by resolution prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance.

Assigned consists of amounts that are subject to a purpose constraint that represents an intended use established by the government's highest level of decision-making authority, or by their designated body or official. The purpose of the assignment must be narrower than the purpose of the general fund, and in funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the residual amount of fund balance. The Town Board, by appointment in organizational minutes has authorized the Budget Officer to assign fund balance.

Unassigned represents the residual classification for the government's general fund, and could report a surplus or deficit. In funds other than the general fund, the unassigned classification should be used only to report a deficit balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

E. Property Taxes

Real property taxes are levied annually no later than January 1st and become a lien on January 1st. Taxes are collected by the Town's Tax Collecting Officer during the period January 1st to April 30th as specified in the annual tax warrant issued by the County of Essex. On or before the time of settlement with the County during April of each year, the Town receives the total amount of taxes levied for each particular fund and special

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district. After the expiration of the warrant period, unpaid tax accounts are returned to the County of Essex, and the County assumes all subsequent enforcement responsibility.

F. Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies are recorded for budgetary control purposes to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriations, is employed in all governmental funds. Encumbrances are reported as reservations of fund balances since they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities. Expenditures for such commitments are recorded in the period in which the liability is incurred.

G. Capital Assets

Fixed assets purchased for general governmental purposes are recorded as expenditures in the governmental funds and are capitalized at cost or estimated historical costs in the Non- Current Governmental Assets supplemental schedule. Contributed fixed assets are recorded at fair market value at the date received.

Fixed assets consisting of certain infrastructure type improvements other than buildings, including roads, bridges, curbs and gutters, streets and sidewalks, drainage and lighting systems, have not been capitalized. Such assets normally are immovable and of value only to the Town of North Elba. Therefore, the purposes of stewardship for capital expenditures can be satisfied without recording these assets.

Accumulated depreciation has been provided on general fixed assets; interest on general fixed assets construction in progress has not been capitalized.

H. Prepaid Items

Payments to vendors for costs, such as rent, retirement, leases, and insurance that apply to future accounting periods are recorded as prepaid assets in the fund financial statements.

I. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

GASB Statement No. 63, Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position, and GASB Statement No. 65, Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities, defined and classified deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. A deferred outflow of resources is a consumption of net assets that applies to future period(s), and as such, will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until that time. A deferred inflow of resources is an acquisition of net assets that applies to future period(s), and as such, will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

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J. Insurance

The Town of North Elba assumes the liability for most risk including, but not limited to, property damage and personal injury liability. Judgments and claims are recorded when it is probable that an asset has been impaired or a liability has been incurred and the amount of loss can be reasonably estimated.

K. Compensated Absences

Employees accrue vacation leave as follows:

Employees employed prior to January 1, 1994 accrue 20 days of vacation each year. Non union employees employed after January 1, 1994 accrue 5 days after 1 full year of service, 10 days after 2 full years of service, 12 days after 8 full years of service, 15 days after 10 full years of service, 18 days after 15 full years of service, and 20 days after 20 full years of service. Union employees employed after January 1, 1994 accrue 40 hours after 1 year of service, 80 hours after 2 years of service, 96 hours after 8 years of service, 120 hours after 10 years of service, 152 hours after 15 years of service, and 160 hours after 20 years of service.

Employees accrue sick leave at the rate of 18 days per year and may accumulate such credits up to a total of 185 days. Employees who retire from Town service can elect to be compensated at 100% for 20 days; the remaining accumulated sick days may be added to credited service and used in the benefit calculation by the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System.

Vested vacation and sick leave is recorded in proprietary funds as a liability and expense, and in governmental funds as a long-term liability in the non-current governmental liabilities supplemental schedule if payable from future financial resources, or as a fund liability and expenditures, if payable from current resources. The liability for compensated absences for the years ended December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011 was \$426,068 and \$392,467, respectively, and is reported in the non-current governmental liabilities schedule.

II. Stewardship, Compliance, Accountability

A. Budget Policies - The Town's budget policies follow the appropriate provisions of the Town Law of the State of New York, and are as follows:

1. No later than October 5th, the budget officer submits a tentative budget to the Town Clerk for the fiscal year commencing the following January 1st for presentation to the Town Board. The tentative budget includes proposed expenditures and the proposed means of financing for the general fund and all special revenue funds other than the special grant fund.
2. After public hearings are conducted to obtain taxpayer comments, no later than November 20th, the Town Board adopts the budgets for the general fund and applicable special revenue funds.

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3. All modifications made to each budget must be approved by the Town Board.
4. Budgets are adopted annually on a basis consistent with the statutory basis of accounting as prescribed by the Office of the State Comptroller of the State of New York.
5. Appropriations in all budgeted funds lapse at the end of the fiscal year, except that outstanding encumbrances are re-apportioned in the subsequent year.

B. Property Taxes

Town real property taxes are levied annually no later than January 1 and become a lien on January 1. Taxes are collected by the Town's Tax Collecting Officer during the period January 1st to April 30th as specified in the annual tax warrant issued by the County of Essex. On or before the time of settlement with the County during April of each year, the Town receives the total amount of taxes levied for each particular fund and special district. After the expiration of the warrant period, unpaid tax accounts are returned to the County of Essex, New York, and the County assumes all subsequent enforcement responsibility.

In June of 2011 New York State passed Chapter 97 of the Laws of 2011 (Tax Cap Law). This law applies to all local governments in New York State. The Tax Cap Law restricts the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Town of North Elba in a particular year, beginning with the 2012 fiscal year. The growth in annual levy is limited to the lesser of two percent or annual change in the national unadjusted Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers – All Items (CPI-U), subject to certain limited exceptions and adjustments.

C. Deficit Fund Balance

Several capital projects funds had a deficit fund balance at December 31, 2013. The deficits will be reduced as short-term debt is redeemed or converted to permanent financing, or as federal and state grants are received.

III. Detail Notes on All Funds and Supplemental schedules

A. Assets

1. Cash and Investments

The Town of North Elba investment policies are governed by State statutes. In addition, the Town of North Elba has its own written investment policy. Town of North Elba monies must be deposited in FDIC-insured commercial banks or trust companies located within the State. The Supervisor is authorized to use demand accounts and certificates of deposit. Permissible investments include obligations of the U.S. treasury and U.S. agencies, repurchase agreements, and obligations of New York State or its localities.

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Collateral is required for demand deposits and certificates of deposit at 105 percent of all deposits not covered by federal deposit insurance. Obligations that may be pledged as collateral are obligations of the United States and its agencies and obligations of the State and its municipalities and school districts.

Deposits: All deposits, including certificates of deposit, are carried at cost plus accrued interest.

Investments: Investments are stated at cost plus accrued interest and are held by the Town of North Elba's third party custodial bank.

Deposits and investments at year-end were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by collateral held by the Town of North Elba's custodial bank in the Town of North Elba's name. They are scheduled on page 16 of the notes.

2. Property Taxes

Current year returned village taxes of \$198,469.81 are offset by liabilities to the villages which will be paid no later than March 11, 2014.

3. Changes in Capital Assets

	Balance 12/31/2012	2013 Additions	2013 Deletions	Balance 12/31/2013
Land	\$ 848,939	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 848,939
Land Improvements	100,000	-	(100,000)	-
Building Improvements	21,161	-	-	21,161
Buildings	21,711,177	-	-	21,711,177
Machinery and Equipment**	3,041,519	158,646	(45,035)	3,155,129.86
Totals	25,722,796	158,646	(145,035)	25,736,407
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Land Improvements	(55,000.00)	(1,667.00)	56,667.00	-
Building Improvements	(3,371.00)	(1,558.00)	-	(4,929.00)
Buildings	(17,837,475.60)	(494,462.00)	-	(18,331,937.60)
Machinery and Equipment**	(2,465,087.86)	(197,651.39)	41,608.00	(2,621,131.25)
Total Accumulated Depreciation*	(20,360,934)	(695,338)	98,275	(20,957,998)
Capital assets, net	\$ 5,361,861	\$ (536,692)	\$ (46,760)	\$ 4,778,409

* Depreciation is not currently charged to governmental functions

B. Liabilities

1. Pension Plans

Plan Description

The Town of North Elba participates in the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System (ERS). This is a cost-sharing multiple-employer retirement system. The System provides retirement benefits as well as death and disability benefits. Obligations of employers and employees to contribute and benefits to employees are governed by the New York State Retirement and Social Security Law (NYSRSSL). As set forth in the NYSRSSL, the Comptroller of the State of New York (Comptroller) serves as sole trustee and administrative head of the Systems. The Comptroller shall adopt and may amend rules and regulations for the administration and transaction of the business of the Systems and for the custody and control of their funds. The System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to the New York State and Local Retirement Systems, 110 State Street, Albany, NY 12244.

Funding Policy

The System is noncontributory except for employees who joined the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System after July 27, 1976 who contribute 3% of their salary for the first ten years of membership and employees who joined on or after January 1, 2010 who generally contribute 3% of their salary for the entire length of service. Under the authority of the NYSRSSL, the Comptroller annually certifies the actuarially determined rates expressed used in computing the employers' contributions based on salaries paid during the Systems' fiscal year ending March 31.

The Town is required to contribute at actuarially determined rates, which currently range from 11% for Tier VI employees to 27.7% for Tier I employees, of the annual covered payroll ending March 31, 2013. The required contributions for the current year and two preceding years were equal to 100% of the contributions required, and were as follows:

	<u>ERS</u>
2013	\$ 290,217
2012	\$ 224,907
2011	\$ 223,797

2. Post-Employment Benefits

In addition to providing pension benefits, the Town of North Elba provides health insurance coverage for retired employees. Substantially all of the Town of North Elba's employees may become eligible for these benefits if they reach normal retirement age while working for the Town of North Elba. Health care

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benefits are provided through an insurance company whose premiums are based on the benefits paid during the year. The Town of North Elba recognizes the cost of providing benefits by recording its share of insurance premiums as an expenditure in the year paid. In 2013 \$70,107 was paid on behalf of 12 retirees as compared to \$79,078 on behalf of 14 retirees in 2012. Post-employment benefits are recorded as expenditures in the general fund.

3. Short-Term Debt

Liabilities for bond anticipation notes (BANs) are generally accounted for in the capital projects funds. The notes or renewal thereof may not extend more than two years beyond the original date of issue unless a portion is redeemed within two years and within each 12-month period thereafter.

State law requires that BANs issued for capital purposes be converted to long-term obligations within five years after the original issue date. However, BANs issued for assessable improvement projects may be renewed for a period equivalent to the maximum life of the permanent financing, provided that stipulated annual reductions of principal are made.

As of December 31, 2013 the Town had no outstanding bond anticipation notes.

4. Short-Term Debt

- a. The changes in the Town's long term indebtedness during the year ended December 31, 2013 is summarized as follows:

	Bonds	Compensated Absences
Payable at beginning of fiscal year	\$ 1,635,253	\$ 426,068
Additions	-	27,230
Deletions	282,062	8,328
Payable at end of fiscal year	<u>\$ 1,353,191</u>	<u>\$ 444,970</u>

- b. Serial Bonds -The Town of North Elba borrows money in order to acquire land or equipment or construct buildings and improvements. This enables the cost of these capital assets to be borne by the present and future taxpayers receiving the benefit of the capital assets. These long-term liabilities, which are full faith and credit debt of the local government, are recorded in the non-current governmental liabilities schedule. The provision to be made in future budgets for capital indebtedness represents the amount exclusive of interest, authorized to be collected in future years from taxpayers and others for liquidation of the long-term liabilities.

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The following is the Town's summary of future debt service requirements:

Years Ending December 31,	Principal	Interest	Total
2014	\$ 182,062	\$ 44,680	\$ 226,742
2015	162,062	38,689	200,751
2016	162,062	33,708	195,770
2017	96,062	28,721	124,783
2018	91,862	25,421	117,283
2019-2023	434,678	79,180	513,858
2024-2028	196,891	13,649	210,540
2029-2032	27,512	12	27,524
	<u>\$ 1,353,191</u>	<u>\$ 264,060</u>	<u>\$ 1,617,251</u>

Long-Term Debt Maturity Schedule - The statement of serial bonds with corresponding maturity schedules is follows:

Description By Funds	Date Issued	Original Amount	Original Rate (%)	Final Maturity	Outstanding Balance
General Fund					
Landfill Closure Bond	07/01/95	\$ 1,600,000	5.02%	06/01/13	\$ -
Special Revenue Funds					
Town outside Village Highway Equipment Purchase	01/18/11	200,000	2.75%	01/18/16	120,000
Road District Bond	12/10/07	42,000	4.60%	12/10/17	16,800
Road District Bond	05/10/12	39,000	3.75%	05/10/12	35,100
Park District Athletic Fields Bond	02/26/08	350,000	4.25%	02/26/23	234,000
Park District Equipment Purchases	01/18/11	130,000	2.75%	01/18/16	78,000
Park District Craig Wood Clubhouse Construction	10/28/11	750,000	3 to 4%	10/15/26	650,000
		<u>1,230,000</u>			<u>962,000</u>
Sewer District Bond	05/28/75	758,000	5.00%	11/01/14	20,000
Sewer District Bond	07/24/03	130,950	.721% to 4.612%	07/15/30	85,000
		<u>888,950</u>			<u>105,000</u>
Water District Bond	06/20/02	131,362	0.00%	06/20/32	83,193
Water District Bond	01/08/07	62,198	4.60%	01/08/19	31,098
		<u>193,560</u>			<u>114,291</u>
Total		<u>\$ 4,193,510</u>			<u>\$ 1,353,191</u>

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- c. Other Long-Term Liabilities - In addition to the above long-term debt the local government had the following non-current liabilities:

Compensated Absences. Represents the value of earned and unused portions of the liability for compensated absences.

5. Landfill Closure and Post Closure Care Costs

State and federal laws and regulations require the Town of North Elba to perform certain maintenance and monitoring functions at the Town of North Elba Landfill after closure plan acceptance in 1990. During 2013 and 2012, the Town of North paid \$3,978 for the annual post closure monitoring event.

The Town currently operates a transfer station and contracts with Essex County for the transportation of waste. Expenditures for the operation of the transfer station are accounted for in the general fund.

C. Inter-fund Receivables and Payables

	<u>Receivables</u>	<u>Payables</u>
General	\$ 19,035	\$ -
Park District	2,899	-
Capital Projects	-	21,639
Water Districts	-	290
Trust and Agency	-	4
	<u>\$ 21,934</u>	<u>\$ 21,934</u>

D. Fund

Equity

1. Allocation of Fund Balance

Certain funds of the Town of North Elba apply to areas less than the entire Town of North Elba. The fund balances at December 31, 2013 are as follows:

Fund Balances:	Nonspendable	Restricted	Assigned	Unassigned	Total
General Fund	\$ 78,437	\$ 104,589	\$ 202,984	\$ 1,527,585	\$ 1,913,595
General Fund- Outside Villages	92	-	-	6,558	6,650
Town-wide Highway	-	-	38,803	-	38,803
Town Outside Villages	28,864	-	321,138	-	350,001
Capital Projects	-	-	520	(2,999)	(2,479)
Special Revenue Funds					
Park District	7,626	-	128,019	-	135,645
Road Districts	-	-	5,347	-	5,347
Fire Protection Districts	-	-	41,609	-	41,609
Sewer District	5,645	-	16,800	-	22,445
Water Districts	46	-	15,328	-	15,374
	<u>\$ 120,710</u>	<u>\$ 104,589</u>	<u>\$ 770,548</u>	<u>\$ 1,531,144</u>	<u>\$ 2,526,990</u>

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2. Adjustments to Fund Balance for 2013:

Beginning Fund Balance	\$	1,680,557
Fund Balance Adjustments:		
(1)		7,922
(2)		14
Beginning Fund Balance Restated:	\$	<u>1,688,493</u>

(1) Contribution paid by other governments towards fuel dispensing system repair reserve per contractual agreement for 2013 totaling \$9,656.31 less expenditures for fuel dispensing system repairs and maintenance for 2011 totaling \$1,598.96.

(2) Increase in restricted unassigned fund balance for overpaid taxes received from Town Tax Collector pending location and notification of payee.

E. Deferred Compensation Plan

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board issued Statement No. 32, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 Deferred Compensation Plans. This statement established accounting and financial reporting standards for Internal Revenue Code Section 457 deferred compensation plans of state and local governments.

As a result, Statement No. 32 became effective for the New York State Deferred Compensation Plan as of October 1, 1997. Since the plan no longer meets the criteria for inclusion in New York State's financial statements, municipalities which participate in the New York State's Deferred Compensation Plan are no longer required to report the value of the plan assets.

F. Lease Commitments and Leased Assets

The Town leases equipment under operating leases. Total rental expenditures on such leases for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013 were approximately \$57,000.

IV. Commitments and Contingencies

The Town of North Elba currently has three grants via the New York State Department of Transportation, for the planning and construction of a multi-use trail extending from the Village of Lake Placid to the Village of Saranac Lake. The total of the committed federal funding for the project is \$3,443,517. The Town's required match for the three grants totals \$987,138. The Town is working with a private agency to raise the \$987,000 through fundraising in the local communities.

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In December 2012, the Town was notified of an award of a matching grant in the amount of \$440,000 from the Municipal Grant program from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation. The funding is for the Lacrosse Field of Dreams project. The Town is in the award contract phase of this grant. To date no expenditures have been made.

V. *Subsequent Events*

In January 2014, the Town of North Elba issued a statutory bond in the amount of \$206,000 for the purchase of a plow truck.

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Bank Balances & Collateralization

Banking Institution	Classification	Carrying Fund(s)	Bank Balance	FDIC Amount	Collateral Amount	Custodial Bank
	Demand Deposit	General, Part Town, Highway Townwide, Highway Part Town, Fire Protection, Sewer, Water	\$ 241,097			
	Demand Deposit	Park District	38,705			
NBT Bank NA		As listed above	\$ 279,802	\$ 250,000	\$ 230,014	The Bank of New York
	Demand Deposit	General, Part Town, Highway Townwide, Highway Part Town, Park District, Fire Protection, Sewer, Water	\$ 7,658			
	Demand Deposit	Capital Projects	58,893			
	Demand Deposit	General, Part Town, Highway Part Town, Park District	66,797			
	Time Deposit	General, Part Town, Highway Townwide, Highway Part Town, Park District, Fire Protection, Sewer, Water, Capital Projects	1,857,291			
Adirondack Bank		As listed above	\$ 1,990,639	\$ 250,000	\$ 1,797,490	M&T Investment Group
MBIA CLASS	Investments	Trust, Expendable, restricted	\$ 27,103	n/a	\$ 159,717,027	New York CLASS Holdings, consisting of pooled investments