POTTSTOWN BOROUGH AUTHORITY (A Component Unit of the Borough of Pottstown)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Year Ended December 31, 2020

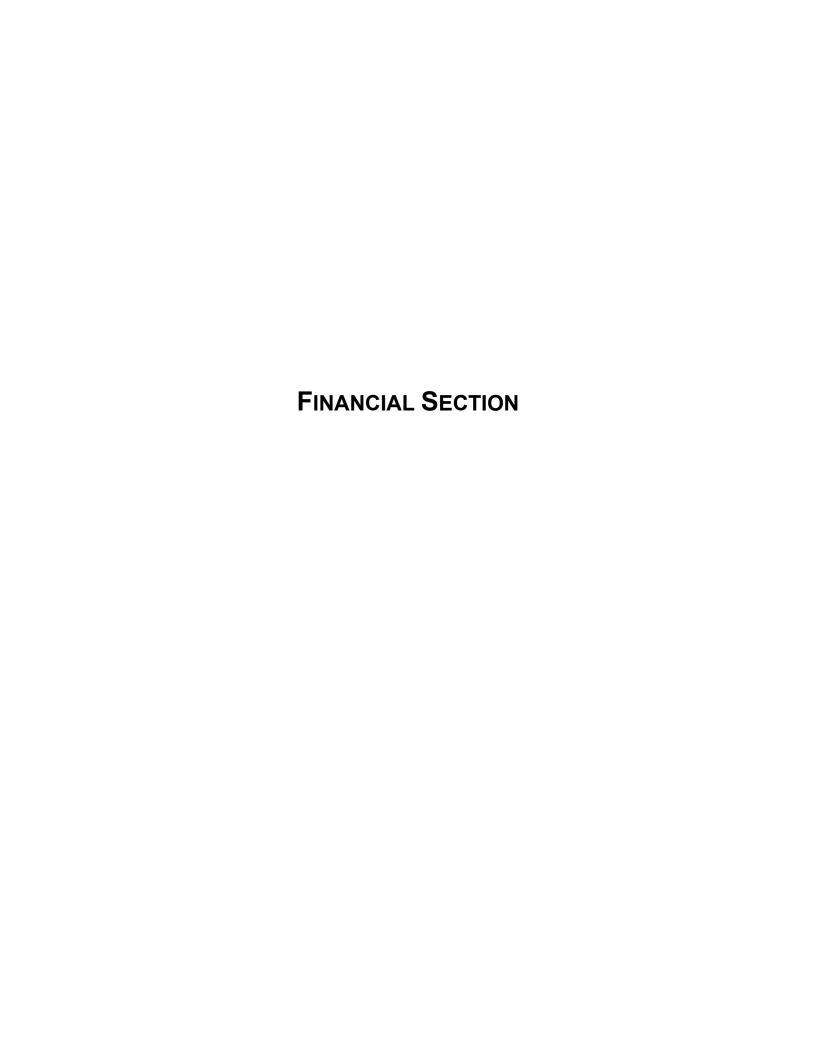




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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Council Members Pottstown Borough Authority Pottstown, Pennsylvania

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business type activities and each major fund of the Pottstown Borough Authority (a component unit of the Borough of Pottstown) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Pottstown Borough Authority's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

To the Council Members
Pottstown Borough Authority
Pottstown, Pennsylvania

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business type activities and each major fund of the Pottstown Borough Authority as of December 31, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 8, the schedule of the authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability on page 32, and the schedule of the authority's contributions on page 33 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with evidence sufficient to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Limerick, Pennsylvania June 17, 2021

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited) YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

The Pottstown Borough Authority, hereafter referred to as the "Authority," hereby presents its financial statements developed in compliance with the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, entitled *Basic Financial Statements--and Management's Discussion and Analysis--for State and Local Governments* (hereafter "GASB 34"), and its related standards. GASB 34 enhances information provided to the users of these financial statements. This section of the financial reporting package presents a discussion and analysis of the Authority's financial performance during the calendar year that ended on December 31, 2020. Please read it in conjunction with the Authority's financial statements that follow this section.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) serves as an introduction to, and should be read in conjunction with, the audited financial statements. The MD&A represents management's examination and analysis of the Authority's financial condition and performance. Summary financial statement data, bond resolutions and other management tools were used for this analysis.

The financial statements report information about the Authority using the full accrual method of accounting, as utilized by similar business type activities in the private sector. The financial statements include a Statement of Net Position; a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position; a Statement of Cash Flows; and Notes to the Financial Statements.

The **Statement of Net Position** presents the financial position of the Authority on a full accrual historical cost basis. The Statement of Net Position presents information on all of the Authority's assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases and decreases in net position are one indicator of whether the financial position of the Authority is improving or deteriorating.

While the Statement of Net Position provides information about the nature and amount of resources and obligations at year-end, the **Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position** presents the results of the business-type activities over the course of the calendar year and information as to how the net position changed during the year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the change occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. This statement also provides certain information about the Authority's recovery of its costs. The Authority receives lease rentals from Pottstown Borough for use of its sewer system to cover its debt service and administrative costs.

The **Statement of Cash Flows** presents changes in cash and cash equivalents, resulting from operational, financing and investing activities. This statement presents cash receipts and cash disbursement information without consideration of the earnings event, or when an obligation arises, or the depreciation of the capital assets.

The **Notes to the Basic Financial Statements** provide required disclosures and other information that are essential to a full understanding of material data provided in the statements. The notes present information about the Authority's accounting policies, significant account balances and activities, long-term debt and capital assets and subsequent events, if any.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited) YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following comparative condensed financial statements and other selected information serve as the key financial data and indicators for management, monitoring and planning. Comments regarding year-to-year variances are included in each section by the name of the statement or account.

Condensed Statements of Net Position

		December 31,				Variance	ance	
	_	2020		2019	_	Dollars	%	
ASSETS								
Current assets	\$	2,697,065	\$	3,411,651	\$	(714,586)	-20.9%	
Restricted assets		10,047,771		10,170,262		(122,491)	-1.2%	
Capital assets, net	_	58,581,720		58,779,208		(197,488)	-0.3%	
TOTAL ASSETS	_	71,326,556		72,361,121	_	(1,034,565)	-1.4%	
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES								
Deferred loss on refunding, net of								
accumulated amortization		407.974		564,150		(156,176)	-27.7%	
Deferred outflows of resources, pension		119,529		179,294		(59,765)	-33.3%	
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	_	,	_	,	_	(55,155)		
OF RESOURCES		527,503		743,444		(215,941)	-29.0%	
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LIABILITIES								
Current liabilities		7,098,820		6,608,973		489,847	7.4%	
Long-term liabilities		7,554,667		13,458,288		(5,903,621)	-43.9%	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	_	14,653,487		20,067,261		(5,413,774)	-27.0%	
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DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES								
Deferred inflows of resources, pension		710,198		256,940		453,258	176.4%	
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NET POSITION								
Net investment in capital assets		55,819,168		51,420,304		4,398,864	8.6%	
Unrestricted		671,206		1,360,060		(688,854)	-50.6%	
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TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	56,490,374	\$	52,780,364	\$	3,710,010	7.0%	
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Current Assets - The combined Water and Sewer Funds decreased by seven-hundred fifteen thousand dollars or 20.9% in 2020. Sewer cash and cash equivalents remained fairly stable; Water cash and cash equivalents decreased by \$.7 million mainly due to additional debt service payments due to the change in due dates from the 2019 Water bonds refinance which was offset somewhat by improved revenues from a water rate increase. In addition, the water fund liquidated \$.7 million of unrestricted investments and the sewer capital fund received \$.65 million in contributions from the sewer operating fund to fund the capital improvement program.

Restricted Assets decreased by \$.1 million or 1.2% due to the liquidation of investments to pay the debt service for the 1991 series sewer bonds.

Capital Assets decreased by \$.2 million or 0.3%. A \$.7 million Water line replacement was completed during 2020, as was a \$.7 million Sewer line replacement. In addition, a \$.6 million Headworks barscreen was completed at the wastewater plant. Construction in progress (CIP), net of projects completed and capitalized, decreased \$1 million which consisted of a \$.3 million decrease in sewer and a \$.7 million decrease in water CIP.

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Deferred Outflows of Resources decreased from 2019 is attributed to the decrease in deferred outflows of resources related to pension activity of approximately \$60,000 and the annual amortization of the deferred loss on refunding of approximately \$156,000.

Liabilities decreased by \$5.4 million or 27%. Current liabilities increased by \$.5 million as a result of the recognition of \$.5 million of capital invoices related to the water and sewer main replacements and other capital projects. Long-term liabilities decreased \$5.9 million due to scheduled debt principal payments and amortization of bond premiums.

Deferred Inflows of Resources increased by \$.45 million as a result of recognizing the Authority's share of the deferred inflows of resources related to the non-uniformed pension plan.

Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

		December 31,				Varianc	e
		2020		2019		Dollars	%
OPERATING REVENUES	\$_	9,996,407	\$_	9,811,237	\$_	185,170	1.9%
OPERATING EXPENSES							
General government		739,074		720,787		18,287	2.5%
Public works, water sanitation		2,737,616		2,961,696		(224,080)	-7.6%
Benefits and insurance		159,849		491,551		(331,702)	-67.5%
Depreciation and amortization		2,161,331		2,088,614		72,717	3.5%
Administration and general expenses		8,989		16,333		(7,344)	-45.0%
Management fee		428,393		433,259		(4,866)	-1.1%
TOTAL OPERATING	_						
EXPENSES	_	6,235,252		6,712,240		(476,988)	-7.1%
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)							
Investment earnings		98,886		165,683		(66,797)	-40.3%
Realized and unrealized gains on investments		24,070		198,931		(174,861)	-87.9%
Capital grants and contributions		238,937		547,294		(308,357)	-56.3%
Bond issue costs		(54,091)		(138,499)		84,408	-60.9%
Increase in accretion on bonds		(264,066)		(395,290)		131,224	33.2%
Interest expense		(544,881)		(565,177)		20,296	3.6%
Contribution from Borough sewer							
operating fund		650,000		1,050,000		(400,000)	-38.1%
Contribution to Borough public works facility TOTAL NONOPERATING	_	(200,000)	_	(200,000)	_		0.0%
REVENUES (EXPENSES)	_	(51,145)	_	662,942	_	(714,087)	107.7%
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	\$_	3,710,010	\$_	3,761,939	\$_	(51,929)	-1.4%

Operating Revenues increased by \$.2 million or 2%. Water collections increased by \$.2 million due to a water rate increase enacted in January 2020. Bulk water sales decreased, and Penalties and Interest did as well as a result of suspending collection activity due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Royalties and other rentals increased slightly and consist of rentals received for cell phone towers located on the Authority's water storage tanks. Revenue from Water connection and tapping fees increased in 2020 as well.

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Total Operating Expenses decreased by \$.5 million in 2020 or 7.1%. General Governmental Expense increased by \$.02 million or 2.5%. Public works, water sanitation expense decreased by \$.2 million or 7.6% mostly as a result of overall lower repair and maintenance expenses at the water and wastewater treatment plants. Benefits and insurance are \$.33 million lower in 2020 due to favorable renewal premiums.

Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses) decreased by \$.7 million or 107% in 2020. Capital grants and contributions decreased by \$.3 million due to lower capital project contributions from the three townships that participate in the cost sharing of the sewer plant. The contribution from the sewer operating fund to fund capital projects decreased by \$.4 million in 2020. Bond issuance costs occurred due to the financing of a low-interest Water loan to fund the LT2 Compliance UV project at the water plant. During 2020, the sixth of ten \$.2 million annual contributions was made to the Borough for the public works facility.

Capital Assets and Long-Term Debt

During 2020, total capital spending for sewer projects was \$1 million and \$.5 million for water capital projects.

The Authority generally intends to fund capital spending with internally generated cash and no additional borrowings. However due to a strict compliance deadline on an unplanned DEP mandate, a \$1.2 million LT2 Compliance UV project was started at the Water plant in 2020. Capital funding was not adequate, so a short-term near -zero percent interest bank loan was obtained to fund this project.

The Authority's Planning and Capital Projects Committee (Committee) maintains a Five-Year Capital Plan for the plants and the water and sewer infrastructure. Significant authorized capital projects include:

Water

Ongoing water main replacements (current program started 2019)	\$1,000,000
Paint water tanks	\$350,000
Kepler Road Pump Station upgrades	\$200,000
Air Scour Upgrade/Instrumentation	\$1,400.000
LT2 Compliance UV	\$1,200,000

Sewer

Retire existing dryer and replace with new technology (complete in 2021)	\$4,900,000
Ongoing sewer main replacement (current program started 2019)	\$1,000,000
Hydraulic bypass at WWTP	\$400,000

Additional major sewer plant, water plant and infrastructure projects included in the Five-Year Capital Plan have been approved conceptually but the funding has not yet been authorized by the Authority.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (Unaudited) YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

CONTACTING THE AUTHORITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Authority's finances and to demonstrate the Authority's accountability for the financial transactions that occur. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, please feel free to contact:

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STATEMENT OF NET POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2020

	-	Sewer Fund Water Fund				Totals
ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
CURRENT ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents Prepaid expenses Trade receivables, net TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$	4,876 - - - 4,876	\$	1,105,987 200,016 1,386,186 2,692,189	\$	1,110,863 200,016 1,386,186 2,697,065
CASH AND INVESTMENTS, restricted Cash and cash equivalents Investments TOTAL CASH AND INVESTMENTS, restricted	-	3,623,889 2,254,921 5,878,810		4,168,961 - 4,168,961	_	7,792,850 2,254,921 10,047,771
CAPITAL ASSETS Land Construction in progress Buildings and building improvements Machinery and equipment Infrastructure Accumulated depreciation TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS	-	36,650 4,848,592 34,933,517 1,480,096 13,515,561 (24,342,677) 30,471,739	-	330,179 774,614 - 1,213,621 43,131,774 (17,340,207) 28,109,981		366,829 5,623,206 34,933,517 2,693,717 56,647,335 (41,682,884) 58,581,720
TOTAL ASSETS DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES Deferred loss on refunding, net of accumulated amortization Deferred outflows of resources, pension activity TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	-	36,355,425 128,947 - 128,947		34,971,131 279,027 119,529 398,556	_	71,326,556 407,974 119,529 527,503
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$_	36,484,372	\$	35,369,687	\$_	71,854,059

	_	Sewer Fund Water Fund				Totals
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION						
CURRENT LIABILITIES						
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	-	\$	713,075	\$	713,075
Accrued interest		27,425	•	11,484	•	38,909
Unearned revenue		· -		134,680		134,680
Current portion of bonds payable		4,631,156		1,581,000		6,212,156
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		4,658,581		2,440,239		7,098,820
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		000 040		100 700		000 111
Unamortized bond premiums, net		223,349		469,792		693,141
Bonds payable, long-term portion		1,510,000		4,803,000		6,313,000
Net pension liability		-		445,643		445,643
Compensated absences	_	4 700 040	_	102,883	_	102,883
TOTAL LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	_	1,733,349	-	5,821,318		7,554,667
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Deferred inflows of resources, pension activity		-		710,198		710,198
NET POSITION						
Net investment in capital assets		30,114,991		25,704,177		55,819,168
Unrestricted	_	(22,549)	_	693,755		671,206
TOTAL NET POSITION	_	30,092,442	_	26,397,932		56,490,374
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED						
INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION	\$_	36,484,372	\$_	35,369,687	\$_	71,854,059

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

	_	Sewer Fund		Water Fund		Totals
OPERATING REVENUES						
Rental income, sewer system	\$	2,651,563	\$	_	\$	2,651,563
Charges for services	Ψ	2,001,000	Ψ	6,995,712	Ψ	6,995,712
Royalties and other rentals		_		246,172		246,172
Grants and contributions		102,960		240,172		102,960
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	_	2,754,523	-	7,241,884	-	9,996,407
OPERATING EXPENSES						
General government		-		739,074		739,074
Public works, water sanitation		-		2,737,616		2,737,616
Benefits and insurance		-		159,849		159,849
Depreciation and amortization		1,023,659		1,137,672		2,161,331
Administrative and general		5,963		3,026		8,989
Management fees	_	-	_	428,393	_	428,393
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	_	1,029,622	-	5,205,630	-	6,235,252
OPERATING INCOME	_	1,724,901	_	2,036,254	_	3,761,155
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)						
Investment earnings		89,612		9,274		98,886
Realized and unrealized gains on investments		24,070		, -		24,070
Capital grants and contributions		238,937		_		238,937
Bond issue costs		-		(54,091)		(54,091)
Increase in accretion of bonds		(264,066)		-		(264,066)
Interest expense		(258,554)		(286,327)		(544,881)
Contribution from Borough sewer operating fund		650,000		-		650,000
Contribution to Borough public works facility		(100,000)		(100,000)		(200,000)
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES	_	· ·	_	<u> </u>	_	<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>
(EXPENSES)	_	379,999	_	(431,144)	_	(51,145)
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		2,104,900		1,605,110		3,710,010
NET POSITION AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	_	27,987,542	_	24,792,822	_	52,780,364
NET POSITION AT END OF YEAR	\$ _	30,092,442	\$_	26,397,932	\$_	56,490,374

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

POTTSTOWN BOROUGH AUTHORITY (A Component Unit of the Borough of Pottstown)

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

		Sewer Fund	·	Water Fund	_	Totals
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES						
Cash received from customers	\$	-	\$	6,838,522	\$	6,838,522
Cash receipts for rental of sewer system		2,754,523		-		2,754,523
Cash paid to suppliers		(62,613)		(3,049,172)		(3,111,785)
Cash paid to employees				(1,272,696)	_	(1,272,696)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY		0.004.040		0.540.054		5 000 504
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	,	2,691,910		2,516,654	-	5,208,564
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING						
ACTIVITIES						
Interest paid on bonds		(276,968)		(289,060)		(566,028)
Contributions (to) from Borough		550,000		(100,000)		450,000
Principal paid on bonds		(4,630,000)		(1,506,000)		(6,136,000)
Issuance costs paid at settlement		-		(54,091)	_	(54,091)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY		(4.050.000)		(4.040.454)		(0.000.440)
NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(4,356,968)		(1,949,151)	_	(6,306,119)
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED						
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(4.004.044)		(400 450)		(4 540 400)
Purchase of property, plant and equipment Proceeds from issuance of bond		(1,024,944)		(488,159)		(1,513,103)
Contributions from townships		- 238,937		1,300,000		1,300,000 238,937
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY	·	230,937	į	<u>-</u> _	_	230,937
CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING						
ACTIVITIES		(786,007)		811,841		25,834
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CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES						
Investment earnings		113,682		9,274		122,956
Sale of investments	,	2,158,501	,		_	2,158,501
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY		0.070.400		0.074		0.004.457
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		2,272,183	•	9,274	_	2,281,457
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND						
CASH EQUIVALENTS		(178,882)		1,388,618		1,209,736
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING						
OF YEAR		3,807,647		3,886,330	_	7,693,977
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	\$	3,628,765	\$	5,274,948	\$	8,903,713
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CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS COMPRISED OF						
Current	\$	4,876	\$	1,105,987	\$	1,110,863
Restricted	•	3,623,889	•	4,168,961		7,792,850
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	\$	3,628,765	\$	5,274,948	\$_	8,903,713

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2020

	_	Sewer Fund	_	Water Fund	_	Totals
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING INCOME TO						
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES						
Operating income	\$	1,724,901	\$	2,036,254	\$	3,761,155
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to						
net cash provided by operating activities						
Depreciation and amortization		1,023,659		1,137,672		2,161,331
Pension expense		-		(352,108)		(352,108)
(Increase) decrease in						
Prepaid expenses		-		148,571		148,571
Receivables		-		(260, 259)		(260,259)
Increase (decrease) in						
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		(56,650)		(85,127)		(141,777)
Compensated absences		-		34,754		34,754
Unearned revenue	_		_	(143,103)	_	(143,103)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING						
ACTIVITIES	\$_	2,691,910	\$	2,516,654	\$_	5,208,564

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2020

NOTE A - NATURE OF ENTITY AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Pottstown Borough Authority (the "Authority") was created pursuant to an ordinance of the Pottstown Borough Council, incorporated under the Municipality Authorities Act of 1945, being the Act of May 2, 1945, P.L. 382, as amended by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

The purpose of the Authority includes those activities of acquiring, holding, constructing, improving and maintaining, owning and leasing (in the capacity of lessor) sewers, sewer systems or parts thereof and sewage treatment works, including works for treating and disposing of industrial wastes. The Authority also issues bonds to finance the construction and operation of the sewer system and the construction, expansion and operation of the water system.

A summary of the Authority's significant accounting policies follows.

Reporting Entity

The Authority has adopted the provisions of Section 2100 of the Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards for the criteria used to evaluate organizations, activities and functions that should be included in the Authority's financial statements. The basic criteria are the exercise of oversight responsibility over such organizations, activities and functions.

The Authority has not identified any entities which should be subject to evaluation for inclusion in the Authority's reporting entity. The Borough of Pottstown (the "Borough") appoints the Authority's governing board, approves rates charged to the Authority's customers and guarantees the Authority debts; therefore, the Borough includes the Authority in its financial statements as a component unit.

Basis of Accounting

All activities of the Authority are accounted for within two Proprietary (Enterprise) Funds. Proprietary Funds are used to account for operations that are (a) financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the governing body is that the cost (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to the Authority is determined by its measurement focus. The transactions of the Authority are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operations are included on the statement of net position. Net position (i.e., total assets and deferred outflows of resources net of total liabilities) are segregated into "net investment in capital assets," "restricted for debt service" and "unrestricted" components. Proprietary Fund Type operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in total net position.

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NOTE A - NATURE OF ENTITY AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Operating revenues, such as charges for services, result from exchange transactions associated with the principal activity of the Authority. Exchange transactions are those in which each party receives and gives up essentially equal values. Nonoperating revenues, such as subsidies and investment earnings, result from nonexchange transactions or ancillary activities. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Authority's policy to use restricted resources and then unrestricted resources as they are needed for their intended purposes.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Authority considers all highly liquid investments purchased with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment and infrastructure, are reported in the financial statements at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Capital assets are defined by the Authority as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year.

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

Property, plant and equipment and infrastructure of the Authority are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Infrastructure	20-50
Buildings	50
Machinery and equipment	5-30

Cash and Investments Held by Trustee, Restricted

Restricted cash and investments consist partially of funds of \$2,254,921, as provided under the 1991 Escrow Agreement dated December 15, 1996. The remaining portion of restricted cash and investments of \$7,792,850 represents assets established for specific purposes and uses under the Trust Indentures, including debt service, maintenance, capital expenditures and trust administrative expenses.

Investments

The Authority has adopted GASB Statements No. 31, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools, No. 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application. In accordance with these Statements, investments in marketable securities with readily determinable fair value and all investments in debt securities are reported at their fair values. Investments in certificates of deposit are reported at amortized cost.

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NOTE A - NATURE OF ENTITY AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Revenues and Receivables

Charges for services are recognized when earned. All residential and commercial customers are billed quarterly based on usage. An estimated amount has been recorded for services rendered but not yet billed as of the close of the fiscal year.

Net Position

Net position is categorized as net investment in capital assets, restricted and unrestricted as follows:

- Net Investment in Capital Assets This category groups all capital assets, including infrastructure, into one component of net position. Accumulated depreciation and the outstanding balances of debt attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of these assets reduce the balance in this category.
- Restricted 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.
- Unrestricted This category represents net position of the Authority not restricted for any project or other purpose.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The Authority has two items that qualify for reporting in this category. The first item is the deferred loss on refunding which is reported in the statement of net position. A deferred loss on refunding results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded debt or refunding debt. The second item is the deferred outflow of resources related to pensions which is reported in the statement of net position. The deferred outflow of resources related to pensions is the result of the difference between expected and actual experience and changes in assumptions.

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NOTE A - NATURE OF ENTITY AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The Authority has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category. The deferred inflow of resources related to pensions which is reported in the statement of net position and is the result of differences between expected and actual experience and the net difference between projected and actual earnings of pension plan investments.

NOTE B - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Fair Value Measurement - The Authority categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets: Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The Authority has the following recurring fair value measurements as of December 31, 2020:

	Amortized			Fair Value				
Investment Type	Cost Level 1		ment Type Cost		Cost Level 1			Total
U.S. Government Treasury Strips	\$		\$	2,254,921	\$	2,254,921		
	\$		\$	2,254,921	\$	2,254,921		

The Authority did not have any investments that would be considered level 2 or level 3 inputs as of December 31, 2020.

As of December 31, 2020, the Authority had the following investments and maturities:

		Investment Maturities						
		Less Than		1 to 5		6 to 10		
Investment Type	_	1 Year		Years	_	Years		
U.S. Government Treasury Strips	\$_	2,254,921	\$_		\$_			
	\$_	2,254,921	\$_	_	\$_	_		

Investments in U.S. Government Treasury Strips of \$2,254,921 are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs).

Interest Rate Risk - The Authority does not have a formal investment policy which limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

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NOTE B - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

Credit Risk - The Authority does not have a formal investment policy that would limit its investment choices to certain credit ratings.

Custodial Credit Risk - The Authority does not have a formal policy to limit its exposure to custodial credit risk. For deposits and investments, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the Authority will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

As of December 31, 2020, \$8,153,713 of the Authority's bank balance was exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

Uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging bank's trust department not held in the Authority's name

\$ 8,153,713

Concentration of Credit Risk - The Authority places no limit on the amount the Authority may invest in any one issuer.

NOTE C - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable consisted of utilities, interest and other revenues. Accounts receivable and the related allowance for doubtful accounts as of December 31, 2020, are as follows:

	Gross Outstanding	Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	Net
Water Fund Trade receivables	\$ 1,626,532	\$ 240,346	\$ 1,386,186

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NOTE D - CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in capital assets is as follows:

		Balance January 1, 2020		Additions	_	Deletions		Balance December 31, 2020
SEWER FUND								
Capital assets not being depreciated								
Land	\$	36,650	\$	_	\$	-	\$	36,650
Construction in progress		5,195,092		1,024,944		(1,371,444)		4,848,592
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS			•		-	<u> </u>	•	
NOT BEING DEPRECIATED		5,231,742		1,024,944		(1,371,444)		4,885,242
Capital assets being depreciated			•		_		•	
Buildings and building improvements		34,334,163		599,354		-		34,933,517
Machinery and equipment		1,480,096		-		-		1,480,096
Infrastructure		12,743,471		772,090	_			13,515,561
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS								
BEING DEPRECIATED		48,557,730		1,371,444	_			49,929,174
Accumulated depreciation								
Buildings and building improvements		(19,261,999)		(838,386)		-		(20,100,385)
Machinery and equipment		(973,520)		(58,290)		-		(1,031,810)
Infrastructure		(2,966,098)		(244,384)	_			(3,210,482)
TOTAL ACCUMULATED		(00.004.047)		(4.444.000)				(0.4.0.40.077)
DEPRECIATION		(23,201,617)	-	(1,141,060)	-			(24,342,677)
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS BEING DEPRECIATED, net		OE OEG 110		230,384				25 596 407
BEING DEPRECIATED, Het		25,356,113	•	230,364	-			25,586,497
SEWER FUND CAPITAL								
ASSETS, net	\$	30,587,855	\$	1,255,328	\$	(1,371,444)	\$	30,471,739
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WATER FUND								
Capital assets not being depreciated								
Land	\$	330,179	\$	-	\$	-	\$	330,179
Construction in progress	_	1,486,947	_	1,085,806	_	(1,798,139)	_	774,614
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS					_			
NOT BEING DEPRECIATED		1,817,126	_	1,085,806	_	(1,798,139)		1,104,793
Capital assets being depreciated	-		_	_	_	_	-	<u>.</u>
Machinery and equipment		1,213,621		-		-		1,213,621
Infrastructure		41,333,635		1,798,139		-		43,131,774
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS								
BEING DEPRECIATED		42,547,256		1,798,139	_			44,345,395
Accumulated depreciation		(4.040.005)		(00.000)				(4.050.057)
Machinery and equipment		(1,016,835)		(39,222)		-		(1,056,057)
Infrastructure		(15,156,194)		(1,127,956)	-			(16,284,150)
TOTAL ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION		(46 472 020)		(4.467.470)				(47.240.207)
TOTAL CAPITAL ASSETS		(16,173,029)		(1,167,178)	-			(17,340,207)
BEING DEPRECIATED, net		26,374,227		630,961				27,005,188
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WATER FUND CAPITAL								
ASSETS, net	\$	28,191,353	\$	1,716,767	\$	(1,798,139)	\$	28,109,981
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Depreciation expense was \$1,141,060 in the Sewer Fund and \$1,167,178 in the Water Fund for the year ended December 31, 2020.

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NOTE E - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

A summary of changes in long-term liabilities is as follows:

		Balance Outstanding January 1, 2020	-	Additions		Deletions		Balance Outstanding December 31, 2020	_	Due Within One Year
SEWER FUND BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	į									
Bond premium Bonds payable Guaranteed Sewer Bonds,	\$	453,767	\$	-	\$	(230,418)	\$	223,349	\$	-
Series of 1991 Guaranteed Sewer Revenue Bonds		4,127,090		264,066	(1)	(2,255,000)		2,136,156		2,136,156
Series of 2012 Series of 2016		2,200,000 4,180,000		-		(340,000) (2,035,000)		1,860,000 2,145,000		350,000 2,145,000
TOTAL BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE	\$	10,960,857	\$	264,066	\$	(4,860,418)	\$	6,364,505	\$	4,631,156
WATER FUND BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE										
Bond premium Bonds payable Guaranteed Water Revenue Bonds	\$	542,459	\$	-	\$	(72,667)	\$	469,792	\$	-
Series of 2019 Series of 2020		6,590,000		1,300,000		(1,505,000) (1,000)		5,085,000 1,299,000		1,580,000 1,000
TOTAL BONDS AND NOTES PAYABLE		7,132,459	-	1,300,000	•	(1,578,667)		6,853,792	-	1,581,000
OTHER LIABILITIES Net pension liability Compensated absences		1,310,774 68,129	-	- 34,754	-	(865,131)		445,643 102,883		- -
TOTAL OTHER LIABILITIES		1,378,903	-	34,754	•	(865,131)		548,526	-	
TOTAL WATER FUND LONG-TERM LIABILITIES	\$	8,511,362	\$	1,334,754	\$	(2,443,798)	\$	7,402,318	\$	1,581,000
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⁽¹⁾ Amount represents increase in accreted value of bonds.

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NOTE E - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Continued)

Guaranteed Sewer Bonds, Series of 1991

On September 15, 1991, the Authority issued approximately \$15.4 million in Guaranteed Sewer Bonds for the purpose of refunding the Authority's debt service on the Guaranteed Sewer Bonds, Series of 1989, maturing from November 1, 1991 to and including May 1, 1999. The bonds issued are in the form of capital appreciation bonds, which means bonds that bear no periodic, current interest but which accrete in value from the date thereof to the date of maturity thereof at the compounded yield to maturity on the original principal amount, in lieu of such periodic, current interest. The original maturity value of the Series of 1991 Bonds is \$51,085,000. The remaining value of the Series of 1991 Bonds is \$2,260,000 as of December 31, 2020. The funds have been deposited in an irrevocable trust to provide stated debt service payments on the 1989 Guaranteed Sewer Bonds.

The Pottstown Borough Authority Sewer Fund Bond, Series of 1991, is secured by a Trust Indenture. The bonds are payable out of escrow funds and the revenues of the Authority, principally from a Fourth Supplemental Lease dated December 15, 1996, originally dated May 1, 1989, between the Authority (lessor) and the Borough (lessee). The Borough agrees to pay semiannual rents of varying amounts coinciding with the life of the Authority bond issue and sufficient to pay the Authority's debt service requirements.

The Authority entered into an escrow agreement on December 15, 1996, whereby funds were deposited in an escrow account to fund a portion of maturity values for the 1991 Bonds. At December 31, 2020, the value of the escrow account included in cash and investments held by the trustee was \$2,254,921. The portion of the 1991 accreted value bonds for which funds are escrowed is presented below:

		Portion of Bonds		
		Outstanding		
		for Which	Maturing	
	Total Bonds	Funds are	May 1, and	Interest
_	Outstanding	Escrowed	November 1,	Rate
\$_	2,136,156	\$ 2,136,156	2021	7.05%

Bonds outstanding at gross maturity value are as follows:

TOTAL GROSS MATURITY VALUE OUTSTANDING AT DECEMBER 31, 2020 Discount	\$	2,260,000 (123,844)
TOTAL ACCRETED VALUE AT DECEMBER 31, 2020	<u> </u>	2,136,156

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NOTE E - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Continued)

Sewer Revenue Bonds of 2012

In 2012, the Authority issued Sewer Revenue Bonds of 2012, dated April 15, 2012, in the amount of \$4,570,000. The bonds are secured by a Trust Indenture issued by the Authority to the trustee under the Seventh Supplemental Indenture dated April 15, 2012. The bonds are payable out of the receipts and revenues of the sewer system and by certain funds under the Indenture. The Authority entered into a Guaranty Agreement with the Borough and the trustee, whereby the Borough has guaranteed the payment of principal and interest.

The bonds bear an interest rate ranging from 2.00% to 3.25% over the life of the bonds. The bonds will fully mature in November 2025. The bonds were issued to currently refund \$4,390,000 of the outstanding Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series of 2005, and pay the costs in connection with the issuance of the bonds. The reacquisition price exceeded the net carrying amount of the old debt by \$160,621. This amount is being netted against the new debt and amortized over the life of the bonds. The current refunding also resulted in an economic gain of \$271,959 and a reduction of \$290,969 in future debt service payments.

The outstanding bonds are summarized as follows:

	Total Bonds Outstanding	_	Annual Interest	Maturing November 1,	Interest Rate
\$	350,000	\$	58,213	2021	3.000%
	360,000		47,713	2022	3.000%
	370,000		36,913	2023	3.125%
	385,000		25,350	2024	3.250%
_	395,000	_	12,836	2025	3.250%
\$_	1,860,000	\$_	181,025		

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2020

NOTE E - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Continued)

Guaranteed Revenue Sewer Bonds, Series of 2016

In 2016, the Authority issued \$11,165,000 in Guaranteed Revenue Sewer Bonds, Series of 2016, dated August 29, 2016. The bonds are secured by a Trust Indenture issued by the Authority to the trustee under the Eighth Supplemental Indenture dated August 29, 2016. The bonds are payable out of the receipts and revenues of the sewer system and by certain funds under the Indenture. The Authority entered into a Guaranty Agreement with the Borough and the trustee, whereby the Borough has guaranteed the payment of principal and interest.

The bonds bear an interest rate ranging from 0.65% to 5.00% over the life of the bonds. The bonds will fully mature in November 2021. The bonds were issued to currently refund \$11,970,000 of the outstanding Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series of 2006, and pay the costs in connection with the issuance of the bonds. The reacquisition price exceeded the net carrying amount of the old debt by \$304,692. This amount is being netted against the new debt and amortized over the life of the bonds. The current refunding also resulted in an economic gain of \$818,797 and a reduction of \$820,652 in future debt service payments.

The outstanding bonds are summarized as follows:

_	Total Bonds Outstanding	Annual Interest	Maturing November 1,	Interest Rate
\$	2,145,000	\$ 107,250	2021	5.00%

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2020

NOTE E - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Continued)

Water Revenue Bonds of 2019

In 2019, the Authority issued Water Revenue Bonds of 2019, dated November 14, 2019, in the amount of \$6,590,000. The bonds are secured by a Trust Indenture issued by the Authority to the trustee under the Ninth Supplemental Indenture dated November 14, 2019. The bonds are payable out of the receipts and revenues of the water system and by certain funds under the Indenture. The Authority entered into a Guaranty Agreement with the Borough and the trustee, whereby the Borough has guaranteed the payment of principal and interest.

The bonds bear an interest rate ranging from 4.00% to 5.00% over the life of the bonds. The bonds will fully mature in June 2027. The bonds were issued to currently refund the remainder of the outstanding Water Revenue Bonds of 2007 and Water Revenue Bonds of 2012 of \$2,239,255 and \$4,995,000 and pay the costs in connection with the issuance of the bonds. The reacquisition price exceeded the net carrying amount of the old debt by \$22,393. This amount is being netted against the new debt and amortized over the life of the bonds. The current refunding also resulted in an economic gain of \$274,781 and a reduction of \$320,512 in future debt service payments.

The outstanding bonds are summarized as follows:

	Total Bonds	Annual		Maturing	Interest
_	Outstanding		Interest	December 15,	Rate
\$	1,580,000	\$	208,650	2021	5.00%
	1,665,000		127,525	2022	5.00%
	670,000		69,150	2023	5.00%
	275,000		45,525	2024	5.00%
	285,000		31,525	2025	5.00%
_	610,000		24,600	2026 to 2027	4.00%
\$_	5,085,000	\$ <u></u>	506,975		

Water Revenue Bonds of 2020

In 2020, the Authority issued Water Revenue Bonds of 2020, dated September 15, 2020, in the amount of \$1,300,000. The bonds are secured by a Trust Indenture issued by the Authority to the trustee under the Tenth Supplemental Indenture dated September 15, 2020. The bonds are payable out of the receipts and revenues of the water system and by certain funds under the Indenture. The Authority entered into a Guaranty Agreement with the Borough and the trustee, whereby the Borough has guaranteed the payment of principal and interest. The bonds bear an interest rate of 1.01% over the life of the bonds. The bonds will fully mature in December 2024.

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2020

NOTE E - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES (Continued)

The outstanding bonds are summarized as follows:

	Total Bonds Outstanding	 Annual Interest	Maturing December 15 ,	Interest Rate
\$	1,000	\$ 13,120	2021	1.01%
	1,000	13,110	2022	1.01%
	1,054,000	13,100	2023	1.01%
_	243,000	 2,454	2024	1.01%
\$_	1,299,000	\$ 41,784		

Bond Covenants

The Authority complied with the bond covenants pertaining to the rate covenant and the debt service reserve funds withdrawals for the Authority's Guaranteed Water Revenue Bonds and Sewer Revenue Bonds.

NOTE F - CONDUIT DEBT

In 2002, the Authority issued Educational Facilities Variable Rate Demand Revenue Bonds totaling \$7,000,000 for the purpose of assisting with the financing needed by a privately owned school for the construction and equipping of a multi-purpose field house and a maintenance building within the Borough. Final maturity of the bonds is February 1, 2030. The bonds were secured by a bank irrevocable direct-pay letter of credit (existing credit facility), which was scheduled to expire on June 3, 2013.

On May 1, 2013, the Authority and the trustee entered into a First Supplemental Trust Indenture. Under the Indenture, the bonds are subject to mandatory tender for purchase. The bonds were purchased by M&T Trust Company (M&T) with proceeds of a drawing under the existing credit facility. The bonds shall be held by the Trustee on behalf of M&T as bank bonds and the existing credit facility was terminated.

The Authority has no liability for the bonds or note in the event of default by the borrowers. Accordingly, the bonds and note are not reported as liabilities in the Authority's financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2020

NOTE G - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Authority is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. Significant losses are covered by commercial insurance. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverages during 2020. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the current year or the three prior years.

NOTE H - SEWER SYSTEM LEASE AGREEMENT

The sewer system and related assets are owned by the Authority and leased to the Borough. The Authority leases the operation and maintenance of the sewer system to the Borough under the Agreements of Lease dated May 1, 1989, the First Supplemental Agreement of Lease dated September 15, 1991, the Second Supplemental Agreement of Lease dated January 15, 1994, the Third Supplemental Agreement of Lease dated August 1, 1995, the Fourth Supplemental Agreement of Lease dated December 15, 1996, the Fifth Supplemental Agreement of Lease dated February 1, 2005, the Sixth Supplemental Agreement dated November 15, 2006, the Seventh Supplemental Agreement dated April 15, 2012, and the Eighth Supplemental Agreement dated August 29, 2016.

The lease terms stipulate that the Borough is to pay fixed rentals to the Authority, net of interest collected on funds held by the trustee, until sufficient funds become available in the Trust Indenture accounts to meet the full debt service or redemption price of the outstanding revenue bonds secured by the Trust Indentures. The Authority is responsible for all care, maintenance and improvements to the leased property. These rentals are paid in two semiannual installments due on May 1 and November 1 of each lease year in varying amounts through November 1, 2025. Upon expiration of the lease, the leased property reverts to the Authority.

Future minimum payments due to the Authority under the sewer system lease are as follows:

Year Ending		
December 31,		
2021	\$	2,660,463
2022		407,713
2023		406,913
2024		410,350
2025		407,838
	•	
	\$	4,293,277
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Rents received from the Borough in 2020 were \$2,651,563

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NOTE I - MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

Effective November 15, 1990, and as amended with the First Supplemental Management Agreement dated July 15, 1998, and the Second Supplemental Management Agreement dated August 19, 2007, the Authority entered into a management agreement with the Borough to manage the day-to-day operations of the water system to include repair, maintenance and administration. The management agreement expires in 2025. The management fee will be the greater of \$100,000 or a sum equal to 6.1% of the aggregate of the budgeted annual costs of operating and maintaining the water system and 115% of the average annual debt service requirements on water revenue bonds.

Management fees for the year ended December 31, 2020, were \$428,393.

NOTE J - SALE OF WATER DISTRIBUTION FACILITY

In April 2002, the Authority sold a portion of its water distribution facility in Chester County to a township. The Authority also entered into a Bulk Water Purchase Agreement with the township for an initial term of five years, which automatically renewed for an additional five years as neither party gave the other party prior written notice of its intention not to renew. Under this agreement, the Authority received \$2.34 per thousand gallons of water delivered for the first three years of the term. After three years, the rate increased to \$3.56 per thousand gallons of water delivered each year of the agreement. Effective January 1, 2012, the rate increased to \$3.60 per thousand gallons.

The amount recognized as revenue under this agreement in 2020 was \$395,487.

NOTE K - CONTRIBUTION TO BOROUGH GARAGE PROJECT

In January 2015, the Authority committed to contribute \$200,000 annually to the Borough of Pottstown for a period of ten years for construction of a new public works building.

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NOTE L - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (NON-UNIFORMED EMPLOYEES' PENSION TRUST FUND)

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Method Used to Value Investments - Plan investments are carried at fair value as reported by the investment managers. For the purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the pension plan and additions to/deductions from the fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pension plan. For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with benefit terms.

Plan Description

Plan Administration - The Borough of Pottstown administers the Borough and Authority Pension Plan - a cost sharing defined benefit pension plan that provides pensions for all full-time non-uniformed employees of the Borough of Pottstown.

Management of the Borough and Authority Pension Plan is vested in the Pension/Investment Board, which is responsible for management of plan assets. The Pension/Investment Board has delegated the authority to manage certain plan assets to RBC Wealth Management.

Benefits Provided - The plan provides retirement, disability and death benefits to plan members and their beneficiaries. Cost-of-living allowances are provided at the discretion of the plan. All benefits vest after completion of ten years of credited service. Employees who retire as of the first day of the month on or after the earlier of attainment of age 60 or attainment of age 55 and completion of 25 years of service are entitled to an annual retirement benefit, payable monthly for life. Monthly pension is equal to 1.667% of the average monthly compensation multiplied by the number of years of benefit service completed by the member at retirement. The maximum benefit is 50% of average monthly compensation. The average monthly compensation is based upon the final 36 months of employment or final year of employment, whichever is greater.

Contributions - Pennsylvania Act 205 requires that annual contributions be based upon the plan's minimum municipal obligation (MMO). The MMO is based upon the plan's biennial actuarial valuation. In accordance with the plan's governing ordinance, members are required to contribute at least 5.75% of compensation to the plan. The plan may also be eligible to receive an allocation of state aid from the General Municipal Pension System State Aid Program which must be used for pension funding.

The Authority's portion of the MMO obligation for the plan was \$425,880 for the year ended December 31, 2020.

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NOTE L - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (NON-UNIFORMED EMPLOYEES' PENSION TRUST FUND) (Continued)

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions</u>

At December 31, 2020, the Authority reported a liability of \$445,643 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net position liability was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2019. The Authority's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Authority's share of the minimum municipal obligation relative to the total minimum municipal obligation. At December 31, 2020, the Authority's proportion was 32.26%.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the Authority recognized pension expense of \$73,772, including the MMO obligation of \$425,880. At December 31, 2020, the Authority reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	_	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$	31,035	\$	120,918
Changes in assumptions		88,494		-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	_	<u>-</u>	_	589,280
TOTALS	\$	119,529	\$	710,198

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NOTE L - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (NON-UNIFORMED EMPLOYEES' PENSION TRUST FUND) (Continued)

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

Year Ending December 31,	
2021 2022 2023 2024	\$ (86,094) (93,593) (292,308) (118,674)
	\$ (590,669)

Actuarial Assumptions - The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2019, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.00%
Annual salary increases (includes inflation)	4.00%
Investment rate of return	6.50%
Postretirement cost of living increase	None

Mortality rates were based on the IRS 2017 Static Combined Table for Small Plans. Incorporated into the table are rates for annuitants projected 7 years and rates for non-annuitants projected 15 years using Scale AA to reflect mortality improvement.

Due to the size of the plan, there have been no experience studies used to determine plan assumptions.

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NOTE L - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (NON-UNIFORMED EMPLOYEES' PENSION TRUST FUND) (Continued)

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the plan's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2020, are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target _Allocation_	Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic equity Fixed income	50.00% 50.00%	5.50% - 7.50% 1.00% - 3.00%
	100.00%	

Discount Rate - The discount rate is based on the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments that is expected to be used to finance the payments of benefits. The plan's fiduciary net position is projected to be sufficient to make projected benefit payments and the plan assets are expected to be invested using a strategy to achieve that return. The employer has always met the funding requirements of Pennsylvania law Act 205 of 1984. Act 205 requires full funding of the entry age normal cost plus plan expenses, as well as amortization of the unfunded liability to ultimately achieve a 100% funded status.

Changes in the Authority's Portion of the Net Pension Liability Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the proportionate share of the net pension liability of the Authority, calculated using the discount rate of (6.5%), as well as what the Authority's net pension would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (5.5%) or one percentage point higher (7.5%) than the current rate:

		1%		Current		1%
		Decrease		Discount		Increase
	_	(5.5%)	_F	Rate (6.5%)		(7.5%)
Authority's proportionate chara					_	_
Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$_	1,164,651	\$_	445,643	\$_	(164,532)

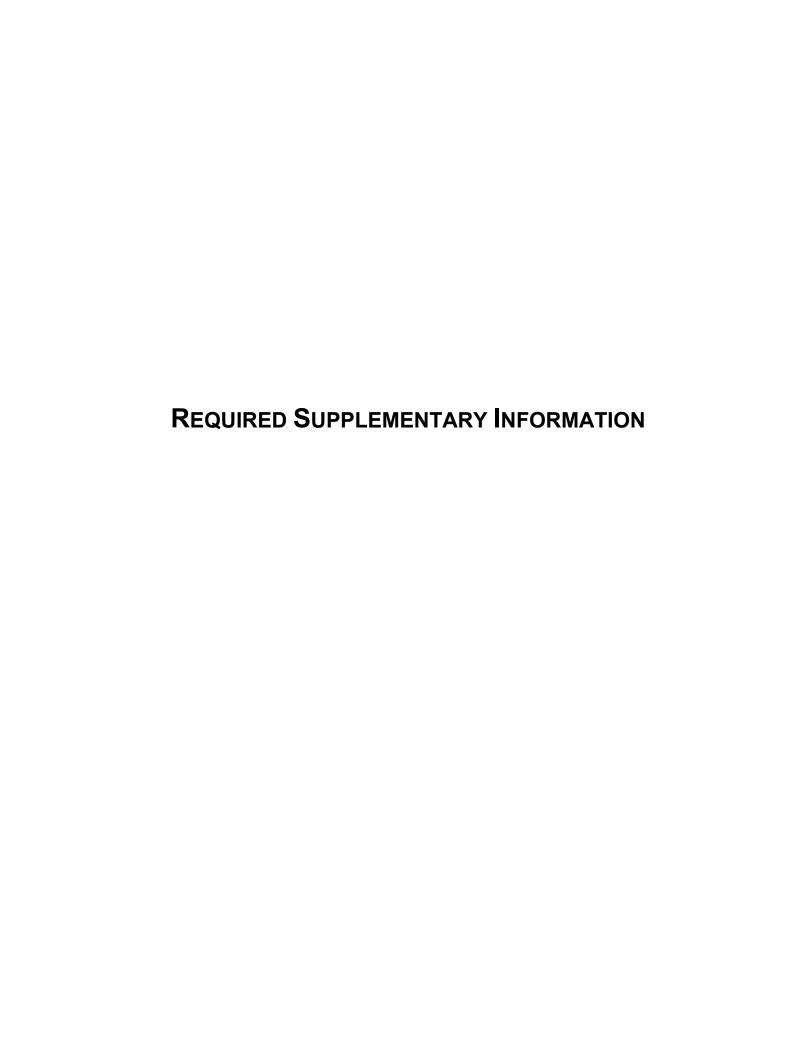
Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position – Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Borough of Pottstown Annual Financial Report.

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NOTE M - RISK AND UNCERTAINTY

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") outbreak a pandemic which has impacted the global economy. Although no significant financial impact has occurred thus far, the COVID-19 pandemic is still on-going and the duration and extent of the related financial impact on the Authority's financial position, operations and cash flows is uncertain and cannot be reasonably estimated at this time.



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SCHEDULE OF THE AUTHORITY'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS

	2020	2019	2018
Authority's proportion of the net pension liability	32.26%	32.26%	32.26%
Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 445,643	\$ 1,310,774	\$ 2,266,537
Authority's covered payroll	\$ 1,352,116	\$ 1,350,967	\$ 1,144,012
Authority's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	32.96%	97.02%	198.12%
The plan's fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	94.08%	81.94%	68.17%

NOTE TO THE SCHEDULE

This schedule is intended to present information for ten years, all available information is displayed. Additional information will be displayed as it becomes available.

2017	2016				
32.26%	32.26%				
\$ 1,499,546	\$ 1,054,503				
\$ 1,184,692	\$1,487,945				
126.58%	70.87%				
78.28%	83.18%				

(A Component Unit of the Borough of Pottstown) SCHEDULE OF THE AUTHORITY'S CONTRIBUTIONS LAST FIVE FISCAL YEARS

	_	2020	_	2019	_	2018
Authority's proportion of the contributions	\$	425,880	\$	291,911	\$	105,475
Contributions in relation to the Authority's determined contribution	_	425,880	_	291,911	_	105,475
Contribution (excess) deficiency	\$_		\$_		\$_	
Covered payroll	\$_	1,352,116	\$_	1,350,967	\$_	1,144,012
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	_	31.50%	=	21.61%	=	9.22%

NOTE TO THE SCHEDULE

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_	2017	_	2016
\$	110,676	\$	95,227
_	110,676	_	95,227
\$		\$_	
\$_	1,184,692	\$ <u>_</u>	1,487,945
	9.34%	_	6.40%