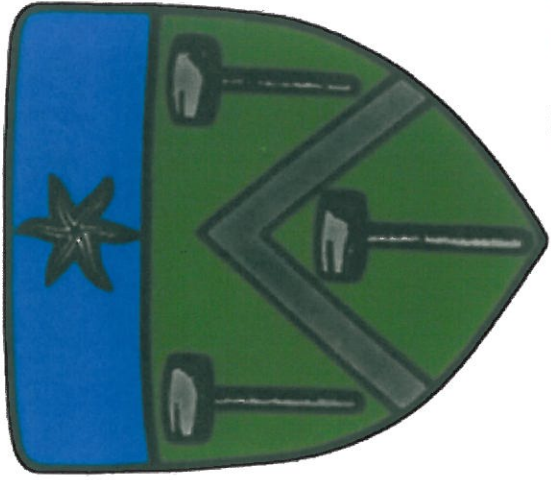




TOWN OF NORTH SMITHFIELD

Proposed Budget
Fiscal Year 2015/16

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

- *Provides for an overall Budget increase of 2.79%*
- *Provides for an overall Tax Levy increase of 2.54% (less than the 4.00% cap)*
- *Residential, Commercial and Tangible rates to increase by a larger % to offset Prior Year Assessment Corrections and Abatements in Real Property and Motor Vehicles*
- *Includes more conservative estimates in every revenue category other than Property Taxes, State Aid and Interest on Investments (re-budgeted for FY2016)*
- *Provides for two new positions in the Town (one additional DPW Staff, as well as moving the Part Time Inspector to a Full Time Code Enforcement position) and one additional staff in the Fire Department*
- *Provides for two potential elections in FY2016*
- *Provides for a stipend of \$1,500 for Board of Assessment review to ensure Board meetings/minutes/approval recording for Abatements*
- *Includes a partial consolidation of IT department functions within the Town and Police Department into one Town Department (Audits and Computer Services)*
- *Provides for a minimal increase in Fund Balance Restoration Account (\$40,000 to \$100,000)*

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

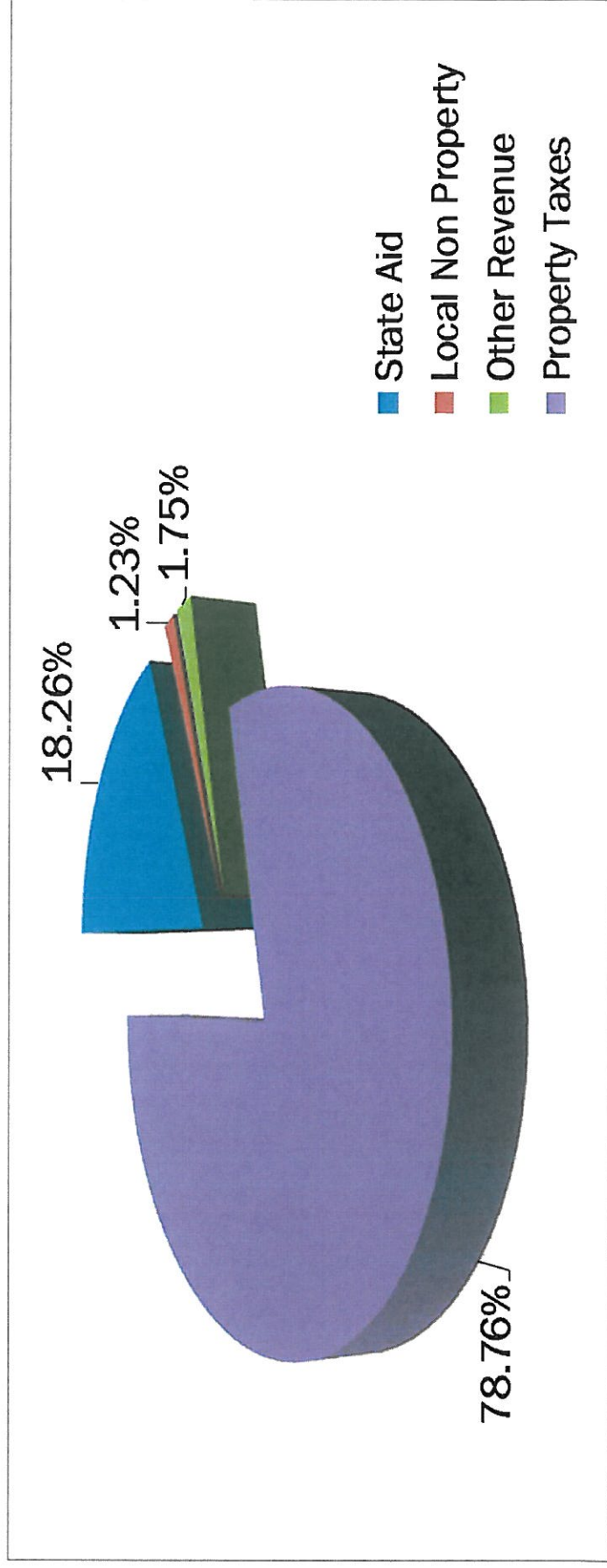
- *Provides for approximate level funding of Police Department other than contractual increases*
- *Provides for an increase in the Fire Department Contracted Funding Rates (no increase for 5 years) as well as the above staff member addition*
- *Includes merging of Highway Department road expenditures (road resurfacing, crack seal & hot & cold patch) into a catch-all Road Repairs/Resurfacing account*
- *Provides for Highway Department rental of Catch Basin Cleaning Truck*
- *Supports all debt service payments of Principal and Interest for the Town and School Department*
- *Provides for a larger increase in the amount of OPEB Retirement Funding (\$25,000 to \$100,000)*
- *Provides for the final year of Settlement Obligations in the amount of \$95,000*
- *Provides for a substantial increase in Capital Outlay of \$348,515 from \$326,082 to \$674,597 in FY2016*
- *Includes Grants and Contributions as they were presented in the past*

BUDGET SUMMARY

	Current Operating FY 14/15	Admin Proposed Operating FY 15/16	\$ Variance	% Variance
REVENUES				
1 Local Property Tax Levy (Current Year)	\$ 30,893,211	\$ 31,678,646	\$ 785,435	2.54%
1 a. Abatements	(100,000)	(100,000)	-	0.00%
1 b. Allowance for Current Year uncollectible (2)	(615,864)	(633,573)	(17,709)	2.88%
Net Tax Revenue for Budget	30,177,347	30,945,074	767,727	2.54%
2 Local Property Taxes (Interest & Other)	333,956	338,773	4,817	1.44%
3 Local Property Tax Levy (Prior Years)	460,500	572,500	112,000	24.32%
4 Local Non-Property	1,256,569	1,204,898	(51,671)	-4.11%
5 State Aid	7,119,288	7,384,067	264,779	3.72%
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 39,347,660	\$ 40,445,312	\$ 1,097,652	2.79%
EXPENDITURES				
1 General Government	\$ 1,592,978	\$ 1,661,386	\$ 68,408	4.29%
2 Financial Administration	703,566	731,945	28,379	4.03%
3 Public Safety	4,850,174	5,051,438	201,264	4.15%
4 Public Works	2,138,127	2,252,504	114,377	5.35%
5 Debt Service	3,432,177	3,424,287	(7,890)	-0.23%
6 Fixed Charges	1,809,031	1,963,643	154,612	8.55%
7 Capital	326,082	674,597	348,515	106.88%
8 School Department	24,471,857	24,661,844	189,987	0.78%
9 Grants & Contributions	23,668	23,668	-	0.00%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 39,347,660	\$ 40,445,312	\$ 1,097,652	2.79%

REVENUE - ALL SOURCES

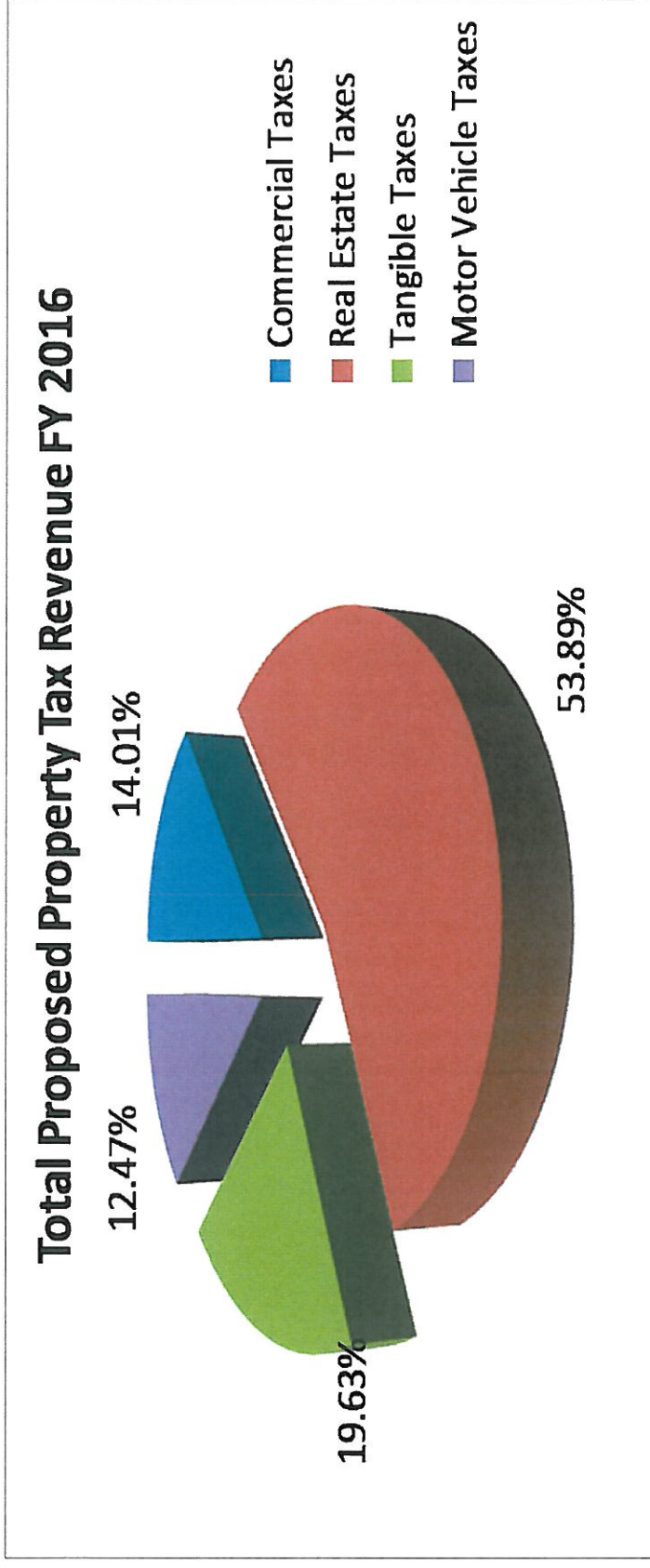
Total Proposed Revenue by Type



REVENUE – NON-PROPERTY TAXES

	ACTUAL FY 2015	PROPOSED FY 2016	NET INCREASE/ (REDUCTION)	% CHANGE
Local Non-Property				
Local Non-Property (Town Clerk, Building Inspection, Police Fees)	\$ 525,500	\$ 496,400	\$ (29,100)	-5.54%
Other Revenue (Municipal Court, Animal Control Fees, Water/Sewer Admin Fees, Rescue Fees, Misc)	466,069	433,498	(32,571)	-6.99%
School Other Revenue	265,000	265,000	-	0.00%
Interest on Investments (Rental Revenue, Misc School Revenue)	-	10,000	10,000	0.00%
Total Local Non-Property	\$ 1,256,569	\$ 1,204,898	\$ (51,671)	-4.11%
State Aid Received				
Town	\$ 5,564,634	\$ 5,754,621	\$ 189,987	3.41%
School	1,554,654	1,629,446	74,792	4.81%
Total State Aid Received	\$ 7,119,288	\$ 7,384,067	\$ 264,779	3.72%

REVENUE – TAXES BREAKDOWN BY CATEGORY



REVENUE – PROPERTY TAXES

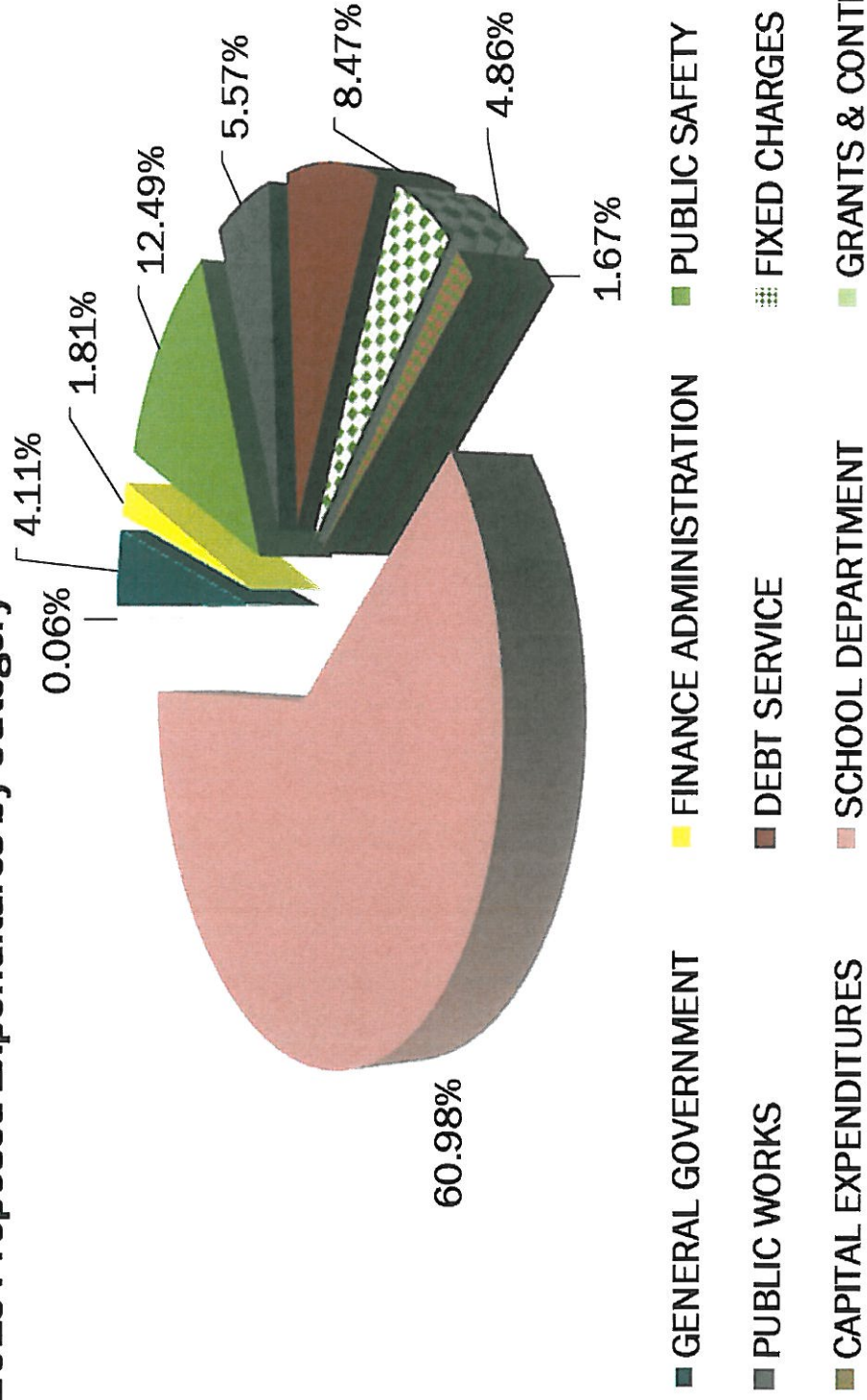
	ACTUAL FY 2015	PROPOSED FY 2016	NET INCREASE/ (REDUCTION)	% CHANGE
Local Property Taxes				
Current Year Levy	\$ 30,893,211	\$ 31,678,646	\$ 785,435	2.54%
Less:				
Budgeted Abatements	(100,000)	(100,000)	-	0.00%
2% Allowance for Uncollectible	(617,864)	(633,573)	(15,709)	2.54%
Total Local Property Taxes	\$ 30,175,347	\$ 30,945,074	\$ 769,727	2.54%
Other Property Taxes				
Prior Years Taxes	\$ 460,500	\$ 572,500	\$ 112,000	24.32%
Interest & Other	333,956	338,773	4,817	1.44%
Total Other Property Taxes	\$ 794,456	\$ 911,273	\$ 116,817	14.70%

REVENUE – TAX LEVY RATES

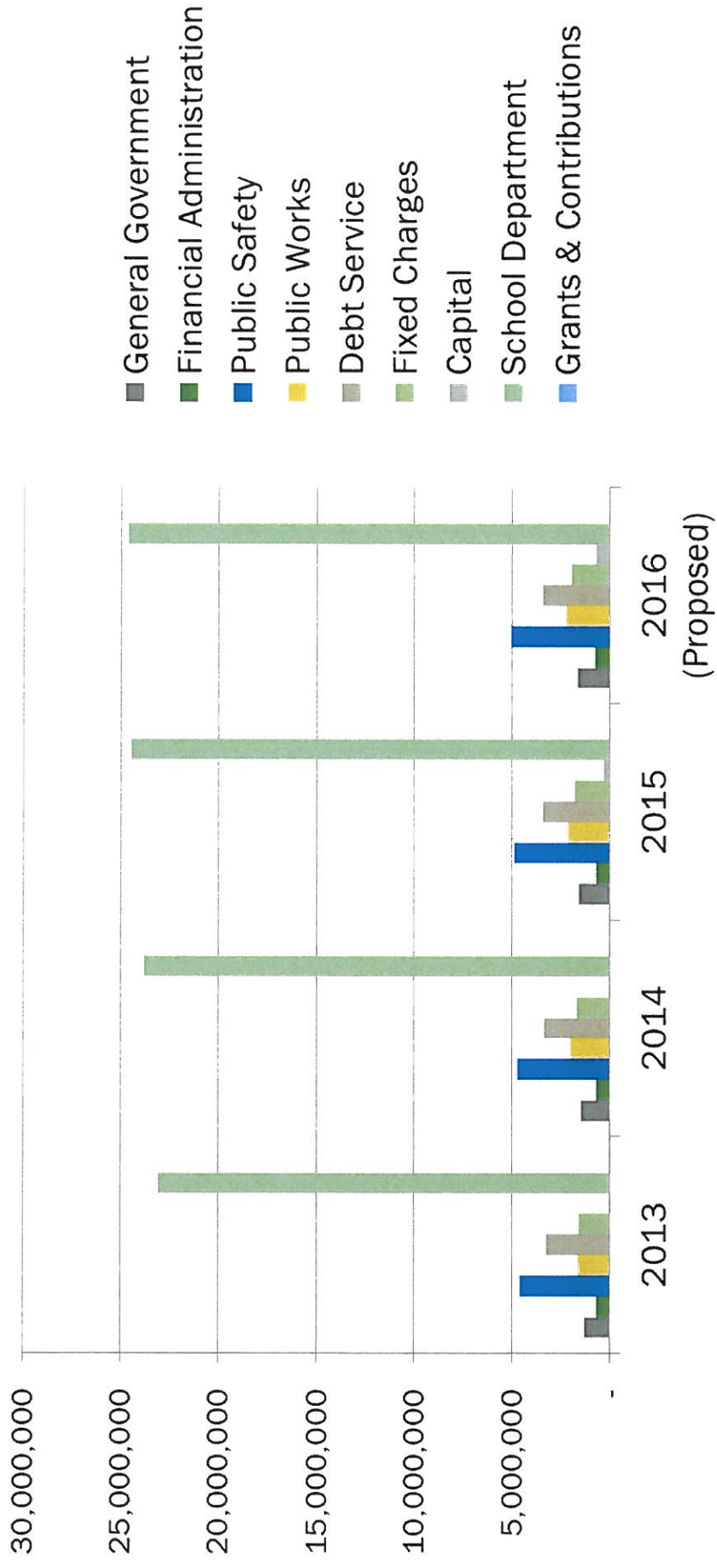
	Actual Net Assessment 12/31/2013	Estimated Net Assessment 12/31/2014	Actual Levy FY 2015	Proposed Levy FY 2016	Actual Rates FY 2015	Proposed Rates FY 2016	\$ Increase	% Increase
Variable								
Residential RE	\$ 1,005,549,210	\$ 1,018,101,701	\$ 16,108,967	\$ 16,984,059	\$ 16.02	\$ 16.68	0.66	4.12%
Commercial RE	239,364,782	238,480,662	4,253,512	4,438,125	17.77	18.61	0.84	4.73%
Tangible PP	143,099,260	138,680,060	6,125,385	6,218,414	42.81	44.84	2.03	4.74%
Total Variable	\$ 1,388,013,252	\$ 1,395,262,423	\$ 26,487,864	\$ 27,640,598				
Fixed								
Frozen Property	\$ 6,258,324	\$ 5,203,411	\$ 102,491	\$ 86,793	\$ 16.02	\$ 16.68	0.66	4.12%
Motor Vehicles	114,387,841	105,030,692	4,302,823	3,951,255	37.62	37.62	-	0.00%
Total Fixed	\$ 120,646,165	\$ 110,234,103	\$ 4,405,314	\$ 4,038,048				
Grant Total	\$ 1,508,659,417	\$ 1,505,496,526	\$ 30,893,178	\$ 31,678,646				
				4.00% Levy Cap	\$ 1,235,727	Budget Levy Increase	2.54%	
				Amount Under Cap	\$ 450,259			

EXPENDITURES

FY2016 Proposed Expenditures by Category



BUDGET EXPENDITURES – HISTORICAL BY CATEGORY



EXPENDITURES – DEPARTMENTAL, FIXED & CONTRIBUTIONS

	ACTUAL FY 2015	PROPOSED NET INCREASE/ FY 2016	% (REDUCTION) CHANGE
General Government <i>(Town Council, Probate & Municipal Court, Town Solicitor, Administrator's Office, Town Clerk, Planning Department, Boards & Commissions, Plant Operations, Contingency, Public Library)</i>	\$1,592,978	\$ 1,661,386	\$ 68,408 4.29%
Financial Administration <i>(Finance Department, Tax Assessor & Collector, Audits & Computer Services, Insurance)</i>	\$ 703,566	\$ 731,945	\$ 28,379 4.03%
Public Safety <i>(Police & Fire Department, Animal Control, Emergency Management, Hydrant Rental, Inspections)</i>	\$4,850,174	\$ 5,051,438	\$ 201,264 4.15%
Public Works <i>(Highway, Parks & Recreation, Tree Warden, Street Lights, Rubbish Disposal)</i>	\$2,138,127	\$ 2,252,504	\$ 114,377 5.35%
Fixed Charges <i>(Medical Buyback, Health & Dental Insurance, FICA, Police & Municipal Pension, Unemployment)</i>	\$1,809,031	\$ 1,963,643	\$ 154,612 8.55%
Grants & Contributions <i>(Local Organizational Funding)</i>	\$ 23,668	\$ 23,668	\$ - 0.00%

EXPENDITURES - TOWN APPROPRIATION

	ACTUAL FY 2015	PROPOSED FY 2016	NET INCREASE/ (REDUCTION)	% CHANGE
School Department	\$ 18,642,223	\$ 18,642,223	-	0.00%

The FY 2016 proposed budget includes no increase in the Local Appropriation to Schools.

The basis behind level funding the School Appropriation comes from three items:

\$ 875,676	Initial Increase Request from School
\$ 654,845	Per School Superintendent, 5-14-15 Summary Update memo
\$ 193,939	State Aid increase per RIDE
\$ 848,784	Total Cuts/State increases
\$ 26,892	Variance to request*

** Due to the average annual surplus for the School Department in excess of \$300,000 for the past few years, we expect that this variance should be able to be covered through estimated surplus'.*

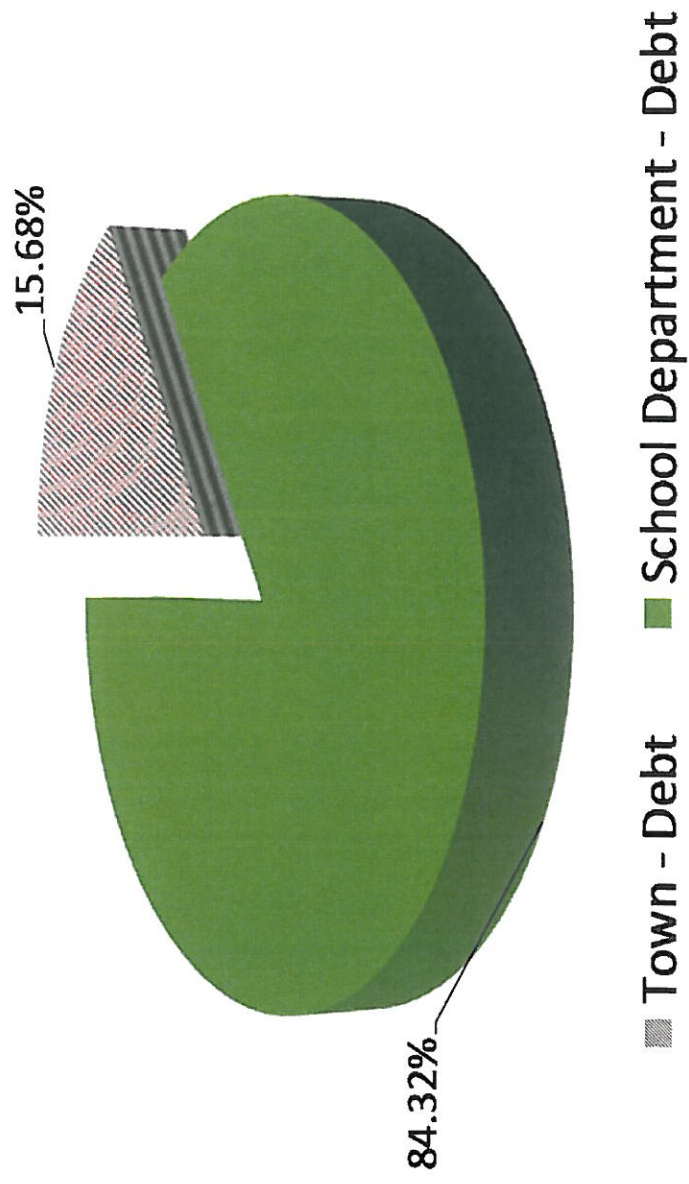
Additionally, the Budget Committee has advised the Town that they believe there are approximately \$300,000 of additional cuts that they will recommend to the School, although we are not considering those for our proposal of level funding.

EXPENDITURES – CAPITAL BUDGET

Department	Project	Funded
Finance	Finance & Tax Office Copier	\$ 26,000
Police	One ATV	6,068
Police	Two Motorola Radios	6,602
Highway	Heavy Duty Dump/Plow/Sander	175,000
Highway	Salt Shed	200,000
Parks & Recreation	Resurface NSHS Courts	150,000
Parks & Recreation	Ball Field Renovations	10,000
Conservation Comm	Conservation Signage	1,196
	Total Town Projects	\$ 574,866
School Department	Tech Hardware	\$ 63,622
School Department	Desk Replacements	14,334
School Department	Vestible Changes	11,775
School Department	Diverting Valves	10,000
	Total School Projects	\$ 99,731
	Total Projects	\$ 674,597

EXPENDITURES

Debt Service Expenditures



EXPENDITURES – DEBT SERVICE

CATEGORY	ACTUAL FY 2015	PROPOSED FY 2016	NET INCREASE/ (REDUCTION)	% CHANGE	% of Total
Principal					
School	\$ 1,570,000	\$ 1,645,000	\$ 75,000	4.78%	77.08%
Town	485,552	489,052	3,500	0.72%	22.92%
Total Principal	\$ 2,055,552	\$ 2,134,052	\$ 78,500		100.00%
Interest					
School	\$ 1,312,158	\$ 1,242,434	\$ (69,725)	-5.31%	96.30%
Town	64,467	47,802	(16,665)	-25.85%	3.70%
Total Interest	\$ 1,376,625	\$ 1,290,236	\$ (86,390)		100.00%
Total Debt Service	\$ 3,432,177	\$ 3,424,288	\$ (7,890)		
Total Debt Service					
School	2,882,158	2,887,434	5,275		84.32%
Town	550,019	536,854	(13,165)		15.68%
Total Debt Service	3,432,177	3,424,288	(7,890)		100.00%