

TOWNSHIP OF LOWER MAKEFIELD
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2020

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Inventory and Prepaid Expenditures/Expenses

Inventories are valued using the average cost method. Inventory in the Golf Course Fund is capitalized under the consumption method, whereby expenditures are capitalized as inventory until used.

The inventories on hand in the Golf Course Fund at December 31, 2020, consist of the following:

Pro shop	\$ 35,612
Food and beverage	<u>11,805</u>
	<u>\$ 47,417</u>

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid expenditures/expenses in both the government wide and fund financial statements.

Deferred Charges

Deferred charges consist of bond and note deferred losses on early retirement of debt, which are amortized over the life of the new debt.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, infrastructures (e.g., roads, bridges, curbs, sidewalks, drainage systems and lighting systems) and construction in progress, are reported in the applicable governmental or business type activities columns in the government wide financial statements. The Township defines capital assets as assets with an initial, individual cost equal to or greater than \$5,000 (amount not rounded) or purchased with debt proceeds and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest and real estate taxes incurred during the construction phase of capital assets of business type activities are included as part of the capitalized value of the assets constructed and associated land.

In the case of road, curb, sidewalk and bike path infrastructure, the Township has elected to use the modified approach and the assets are not depreciated. See page 74 for a more detailed description of the method.

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

	<u>Years</u>
Infrastructure	20
Land improvements	5-40
Plant and pools	4-40
Building and building improvements	40
Furniture and equipment	5
Vehicles	3-10

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will at times 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 thus will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The Township has three items that qualify for reporting in this category. The deferred charge on refunding is reported in the government-wide and proprietary fund statement of net position. The deferred charge on refunding results from the difference in carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt. The deferred pension outflow is reported in the government-wide and proprietary fund statement of net position and is the result of changes in assumptions and differences between expected and actual experience of the pension plan. The deferred OPEB outflow is reported on the government-wide statement of net position and is the result of differences between expected and actual experience of the plan and changes in assumptions and cost method.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will at times 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 thus will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The Township has three items that qualify for reporting in this category. Unavailable revenue, which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting, is reported only in the Governmental Funds balance sheet. The Governmental Funds report unavailable revenue from property taxes. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available. The deferred inflow of resources related to pensions is reported in the government-wide and proprietary fund statement of net position and is the result of the differences between expected and actual experience of the pension plan and differences between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments. The deferred inflow of resources related to OPEB is reported in the government-wide statement of net position and is the result of differences between expected and actual experience of the plan.