THE TOWN OF BAY ROBERTS

AUDITORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

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April 14, 2009

The Mayor and Councillors
The Town of Bay Roberts
Newfoundland and Labrador

In compliance with the requirements of Section 91 of The Municipalities Act, 1999, we report as follows on the audit of the accounts of the Council for the year ended December 31, 2008:

1. Expenditures in relation to budget:

Expenditures of \$5,138,070 exceeded the limits of the adopted budget by \$103,771. Detailed expenditure variances are shown in Schedule 1 to these financial statements.

2. Arrears of revenue:

Taxes receivable totalled \$1,273,183 at December 31, 2008. Of this amount, \$798,273 has been outstanding for one year or longer, while the balance of \$474,910 represents arrears on current year's taxes.

Sundry accounts receivable increased from \$82,497 at December 31, 2007, to \$92,569 at December 31, 2008.

The allowance for doubtful accounts amounted to \$535,471 at December 31, 2008. In our opinion, the allowance is adequate.

3. The manner in which the accounts have been kept and the adequacy of the safeguards against fraud:

The position in these respects was considered satisfactory.

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4. Sufficiency of bonds:

Fidelity bond coverage of \$35,000 is carried on each employee of the Council who is in a position of trust. In our opinion, the coverage is sufficient.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador

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AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Mayor and CounciLlors
The Town of Bay Roberts
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We have audited the balance sheet of **The Town of Bay Roberts** as at December 31, 2008, and the statements of revenues, expenditures and surplus and cash flow for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town as at December 31, 2008, and the results of its operations and the changes in its cash resources for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

In compliance with the requirements of Section 91 of The Municipalities Act, 1999, our report on the statutory requirements is included herewith.

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador April 14, 2009

THE TOWN OF BAY ROBERTS BALANCE SHEET

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2008

	<u>2008</u> \$	<u>2007</u>
ASSETS	D	\$
Current		
Cash and bank	643,082	480,466
Taxes receivable (net of allowance for doubtful	920 201	202 500
accounts: 2008-\$535,471; 2007-\$570,005) Current portion of long-term receivable (Note 7)	830,281 401,197	892,590 378,101
continue pointed of total vertical (1,1000 /)	1,874,560	1,751,157
Des Com Berries (No.	2.552.522	
Due from Province (Note 7)	3,552,533	3,917,264
Capital assets (Notes 1 and 3)	35,412,941	34,227,364
	40,840,034	39,895,785
LIABILITIES		
Current		
Loan installments due and unpaid	246,193	255,049
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Portion of long-term debt due within	140,668	78,976
one year (Note 4)	851,197	828,101
Deferred revenue		163,580
	1,238,058	1,325,706
Long-term		
Long-term debt, less portion due	7.205.007	0.045.650
within one year (Note 4) Capital demand loans	7,325,896	8,247,652
Capital accounts payable	445,792 152,870	-
Capital accounts payable	7,924,558	8,247,652
	9,162,616	9,573,358
Contingent Liability (Note 6)		
<u>EQUITY</u>	20 750 600	20 505 500
Investment in capital assets	30,758,629	29,587,588
Surplus Reserves (Note 8)	758,833 159,956	574,883
Reserves (Note 8)	31,677,418	159,956 30,322,427
	31,0//,710	30,322,421
	40,840,034	39,895,785
Signed on behalf of the Council:		

Mayor

Town Manager

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

THE TOWN OF BAY ROBERTS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	200	<u>2007</u>
	\$	\$
Taxation <u>REVENUES</u>		
Municipal taxes (Note 5)	3,766,575	3,616,391
Licenses and permits	18,591	17,720
Grants in lieu	14,642	13,275
Other fees	119,975	110,119
	3,919,783	3,757,505
Contributions		
Province of Newfoundland	124 151	124151
Municipal Assistance Grant	134,151 1,130,609	134,151
General (Note 4)	1,264,760	$\frac{1,073,971}{1,208,122}$
	1,204,700	1,200,122
Pool and playground revenue	48,746	36,004
Miscellaneous	88,731	56,360
Total Revenues	5,322,020	5,057,991
EXPENDITURES		
General government (Schedule 1)	761,917	666,669
Protective services (Schedule 1)	183,249	176,922
Transportation services (Schedule 1)	1,074,937	1,105,789
Environmental health (Schedule 1)	643,703	509,588
Planning and development (Schedule 1)	254,734	220,160
Recreation (Schedule 1)	480,005	419,650
Fiscal services (Schedule 1)	1,739,525	1,846,143
Total Expenditures	5,138,070	4,944,921
Excess of revenues over expenditures	183,950	113,070
Surplus, beginning of year	574,883	461,813
Surplus, end of year	758,833	574,883

THE TOWN OF BAY ROBERTS STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	<u>2008</u> \$	<u>2007</u> \$
Balance, beginning of year	29,587,588	29,091,343
Add: Debt reduction Capital grants Capital expenditures	533,437 637,604 	420,761 51,800 23,684 496,245
Balance, end of year	30,758,629	29,587,588

THE TOWN OF BAY ROBERTS STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	<u>2008</u> \$	<u>2007</u> \$
Operating Activities		
Excess of revenues over expenditures	183,950	113,070
Non-cash operating items		
- debt principal reduction	533,438	420,761
- capital expenditures	-	23,684
Changes in non-cash working capital components:		
Deferred revenue	(163,580)	163,580
Receivables	62,309	(110,422)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	61,691	9,992
Loan installments due and unpaid	(8,856)	255,049
Cash provided by operating activities	668,952	875,714
Investing Activities		
Capital asset additions (Note 3)	(1,185,577)	(139,794)
Decrease in long-term receivable	341,635	446,546
Cash provided by investing activities	(843,942)	306,752
Financing Activities		
Proceeds from long-term debt	43	901
Proceeds (repayment) of capital demand loans (net)	445,792	(103,615)
Repayment of long-term debt	(898,660)	(772,426)
Capital accounts payable	152,870	(3,522)
Province of Newfoundland and Labrador grant	637,604	51,800
Cash used by financing activities	337,606	(826,862)
Net change in cash during the year	162,616	355,604
Cash, beginning of year	480,466	124,862
Cash, end of year	643,082	480,466

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

THE TOWN OF BAY ROBERTS DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	Budget \$	<u>2008</u> \$	<u>2007</u> \$
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General Government	125 500	01 405	70 101
Council General administration	125,500 680,500	81,485	72,121
Property assessments	89,674	590,758 89,674	505,368 89,180
Troporty assessments	07,074		89,180
	895,674	761,917	666,669
Protective Services			
Fire protection	67,500	111,097	123,861
Emergency preparedness	10,000	-	-
Municipal enforcement	20,000	72,152	53,061
Animal and pest control	2,5 0 0		-
	100,000	183,249	176,922
Transportation Services			
Vehicle operation and maintenance	180,000	232,077	241,096
Road transportation	623,970	537,765	585,867
Snow clearing	166,000	147,116	153,155
Street lighting	150,000	157,979	125,671
	1,119,970	1,074,937	1 105 790
	1,119,970	1,074,937	1,105,789
Environmental Health			
Water supply	340,000	379,121	268,765
Garbage collection	250,000	264,582	240,823
	590,000	643,703	509,588
Planning and Development			
Tourism and marketing	100,000	195,234	199,629
Other planning and development	140,000	34,333	15,001
Green committee	15,000	25,167	5,530
	255,000	254,734	220,160

SCHEDULE 1

THE TOWN OF BAY ROBERTS DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

	Budget \$	<u>2008</u> \$	<u>2007</u> \$
Recreation			
Recreation and community events	83,000	105,821	97,496
Recreation facilities	95,000	282,489	247,738
Swimming pool	65,000	91,695	74,416
	243,000	480,005	419,650
Fiscal Services			
Provision for bad debts	-	-	110,993
Debt charges	740,000	739,493	648,654
Government portion of debt charges (Note 4)	952,505	907,039	952,505
Bank and late charges	-	21,056	20,748
Reserve for severance pay	30,000	-	-
Land acquisition	-	-	25,559
Discounts	-	71,937	64,000
Capital expenditure	108,150		23,684
	1,830,655	1,739,525	1,846,143
Totals	5,034,299	5,138,070	4,944,921

1. Significant Accounting Policies

Change In Accounting Policy

Effective January 1, 2009 the Town of Bay Roberts adopted Accounting Guideline 7 of the Public Sector Accounting Handbook with respect to the disclosure of tangible capital assets.

Prior to January 1, 2009 the Town of Bay Roberts recorded tangible capital assets as follows:

- Tangible capital assets purchased from general revenue in a current year were shown on the Statement of Financial Position at cost with an offsetting amount shown as an Investment in Capital Assets. The cost of the assets were fully expensed in the year of acquisition.
- 2. Tangible capital assets financed on a long-term basis in a current year were shown on on the Statement of Financial Position at cost with the offsetting amount being the long-term debt. The annual principal payments were expensed, in the form of amortization, over the life of the long-term debt. Instead of being shown on the Statement of Financial Position as accumulated amortization, the accumulated principal loan payments were included in Investment in Capital Assets.

During 2008 the Town of Bay Roberts continued to work towards compliance with the new recommendations for accounting for tangible capital assets. As of December 31, 2008, the municipality has prepared a complete listing of tangible capital assets and completed values for buildings and equipment. Values for streets, recreation facilities and water and sewer systems is expected to be completed by August 31, 2009.

The Town of Bay Roberts has adopted the policy of capitalizing interest on temporary borrowings used to finance certain assets during construction, such as water and sewer projects, pending long-term refinancing arrangements.

1. Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Capital Assets

No provision for amortization of capital assets is recorded in the financial statements of the municipality. Capital assets purchased out of general revenue are fully charged against revenue in the year of acquisition. The annual instalment of principal and interest on long-term borrowings, obtained to finance the purchase of capital assets, is recorded in the statements as current expenditure.

Capital assets disposed of are deleted from the accounts at their original cost.

Investment in Capital Assets

The equity of the municipality in the capital assets is represented by a credit account, "Investment in Capital Assets".

Revenue Recognition

Taxes and other revenues are recorded on the accrual basis.

Measurement Uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates; however, such differences would not be expected to have a material impact on these financial statements.

2. Financial Instruments

The town's financial instruments consist of cash and bank, taxes receivable, due from province, loan installments due and unpaid, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, long-term debt, capital demand loans and capital accounts payable. Unless otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the town is not exposed to significant interest, currency or credit risks arising from these financial instruments. The fair value of these financial instruments approximate their carrying values, unless other

3. Capital Assets

	Balance 	Additions \$	Deletions \$	Balance 2008 \$
General				
Land	276,163	59,000	-	335,163
Buildings	166,747	-	-	166,747
Equipment Roads and	1,524,176	140,072	-	1,664,248
improvements	2,441,572	-	-	2,441,572
Municipal dump	2,122	-	-	2,122
Town plan	32,690	-	-	32,690
Recreation facilities	1,773,442	58,814	-	1,832,256
Public wells	25,696	-	-	25,696
Water and Sewerage Utility	10			
Plant and				
Equipment	27,984,756	927,691		28,912,447
Total Capital Assets	34,227,364	1,185,577		35,412,941
4. Long-term Debt			2008 \$	2007 \$
Bank of Montreal Loans				
Multi-year capital project, 6 loan of \$961,243, repayable annual installments of \$50,83	in blended semi-		626,317	684,160
Multi-year capital project, 6 loan of \$1,150,000, repayabl annual installments of \$59,8	e in blended semi-		815,341	877,943

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4. Long-term Debt (Continued)

	2008 \$	2007 \$
Bank of Montreal Loans (Continued)		
Multi-year capital project 6.75% loan, original loan of \$3,650,000, repayable in blended semi-annual installments of of \$195,360, maturing 2015.	2,158,095	2,386,818
Multi-year capital project 5.02% loan, original loan of \$372,500, repayable in blended semi-annual installments of \$17,820, maturing in 2021.	330,389	346,443
Multi-year capital project 4.54% loan, repayable in blended monthly installments of \$61,624, maturing in 2018.	4,246,951	4,780,389
Long-term debt	8,177,093	9,075,753
Less: Current portion	851,197	828,101
Total long-term debt, net of current portion	7,325,896	8,247,652

The \$3,650,000, \$1,150,000, \$961,243 and \$372,500 loans are the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador's share of a multi-year capital works program. The semi-annual payments will be issued to Council as grants and will be made payable to the Town and its financial institution. During the year, the Province made principal and interest payments of \$647,659.

The aggregate amount of payments required in each of the next five years to meet debt retirement provisions are as follows: 2009-\$851,197; 2010-\$875,707; 2011-\$901,062; 2012-\$927,929; and 2013-\$958,947.

The Newfoundland Municipal Financing Corporation shows loans totalling \$955,166 in the name of the Town of Bay Roberts. These loans are 100% the responsibility of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador. During the year, the Province paid principal and interest totalling \$260,746 on these loans. The payments are shown as debt charges and are offset by a revenue contribution in the financial statements.

5. Municipal Tax Revenue

	<u>2008</u> \$	<u>2007</u> \$
Property tax	2,235,194	2,145,436
Business tax	756,049	758,234
Poll tax	56,200	51,252
Water and sewer tax	719,132	661,469
	3,766,575	3,616,391

6. Contingent Liability

In 2007 the Town amended the severance pay policy so that an employee is entitled to receive severance pay when a combination of age and years of service total 70. Employees will have the option to request payments to a maximum of \$5,000 per year any time after the qualifying period is reached. At the end of the year the estimated liability for severance pay of \$58,762 is recorded in the financial statements as a current liability.

7. Long-term Receivable from Province

This represents the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador's 50% share of a multi-year capital works project. Under the agreement, the Town is required to finance the Province's share of the cost over a period of fifteen years and the Province will pay the semi-annual installments, as required, to the Town as a grant. The Town would transfer the payment to its financial institution.

8. Reserves

The Town has provided amounts in the budget to record reserves for future severance pay and land purchases. At the end of the year, an amount of \$159,956 has been invested in long-term certificates to provide for any future payments.