

March 10, 2014

Proposed General Government Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2014

Attached please find the Board of Selectmen's proposed 2014-2015 budget which was approved by the Board of Selectmen on March 3, 2014. Although at first look the budget appears to have a 3.62% increase of \$87,869, in actuality, this budget requests \$35,793 in new appropriations to be raised by taxes over last year's budget. **The 2014-2015 budget increase is 1.47%**

We have a bond payment this year of \$417,103. There is \$365,000 built into the budget for annual payments, but in the first few years there are increases beyond the scheduled payment. Those increases have been budgeted for and the \$52,103 being applied this year is not new monies to be raised by taxes, but, as we did last year, the funds will be taken from the Loan Consolidation – Interest Fund.

We are coming out of a recession and entering a period of recovery. Over the past several years spending has slowed and should continue to be held down. Overall this is a maintenance budget with limited changes proposed. Throughout the budget, there are numerous small adjustments of amounts that fall well under \$ 2,000 as we continue to refine spending. Changes that reflect the largest impacts are outlined below – with a final notation regarding the impact of debt service.**

Increases

- MIRMA Final Buyout Payment \$ 9,926
- Tree Service (Increased need) \$ 4,000
- Rec. Park Maintenance P/T \$ 5,500
- Salaries/Net Change \$ 2,413
- Loan Consolidation FY 2012&2013- line 8203
- To Bond Retirement FY 2015- lines 8201 & 8202 \$52,103*

Decreases

- Town Hall Phone (Savings realized by change of plan) \$ 4,000
- Public Works Salaries (Due to changes in makeup of Town Crew) \$15,960
- 300th Anniversary Celebration (Fund retired) \$ 3,000
- Tax Collector Assistant (Reflects actual hours) \$ 4,160
- GIS \$ 3,800

The Board of Selectmen has worked to submit a level budget that maintains quality services to Pomfret taxpayers. With the reductions over the past several years it is challenging to meet that goal without a modest increase. I look forward to reviewing in detail and answering any questions the Board of Finance may have.

Respectfully,

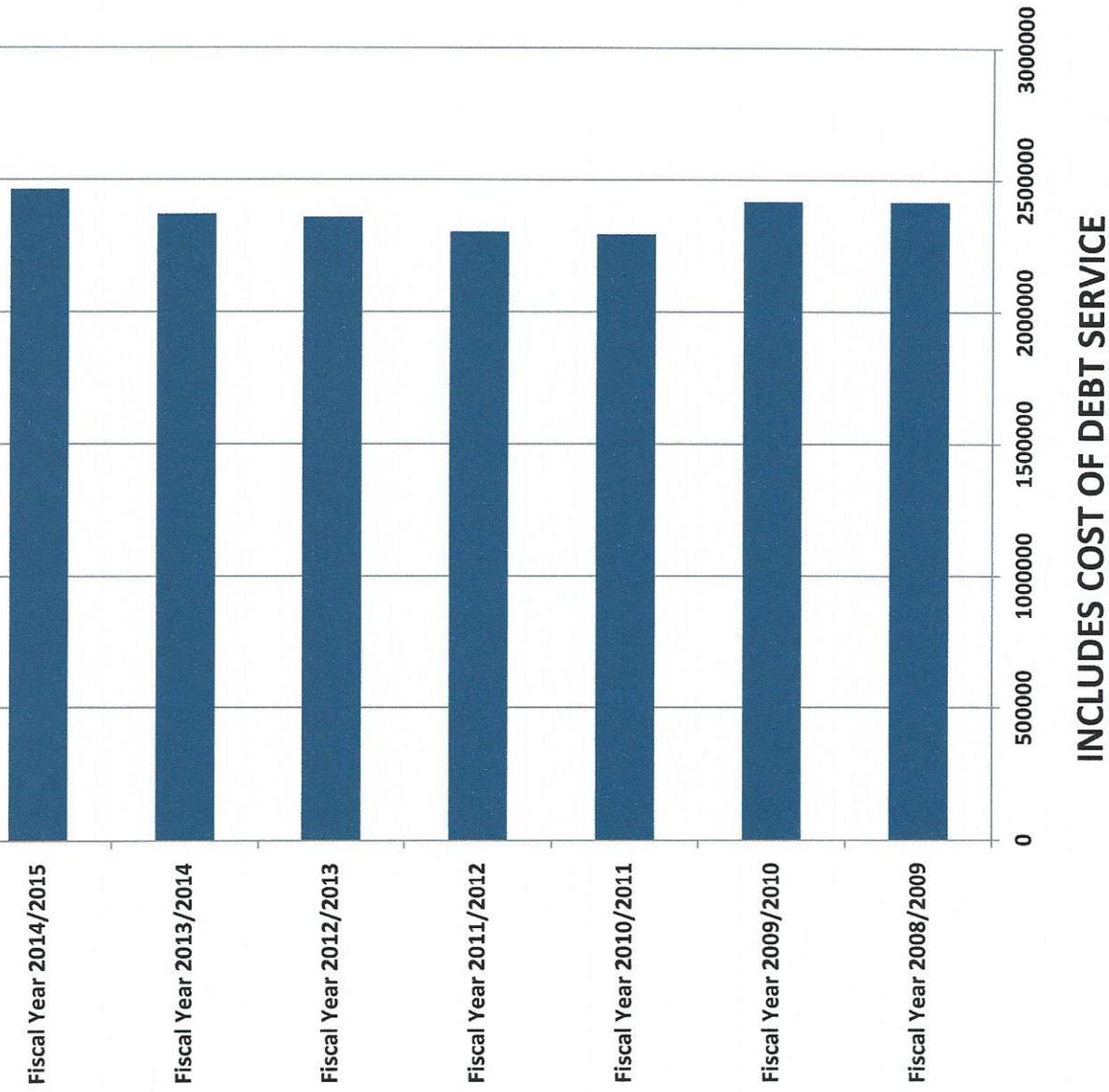


Maureen Nicholson
First Selectman

** The Bond Retirement payment increase of \$52,103 above the scheduled \$365,000 has been planned for and will be covered by a corresponding revenue line from the Loan Consolidation / Interest Fund. The proposed budget appears to reflect an increase of \$ 87,896 or 3.62%. With this offsetting revenue, **the actual net increase is \$35,793 or 1.47%***

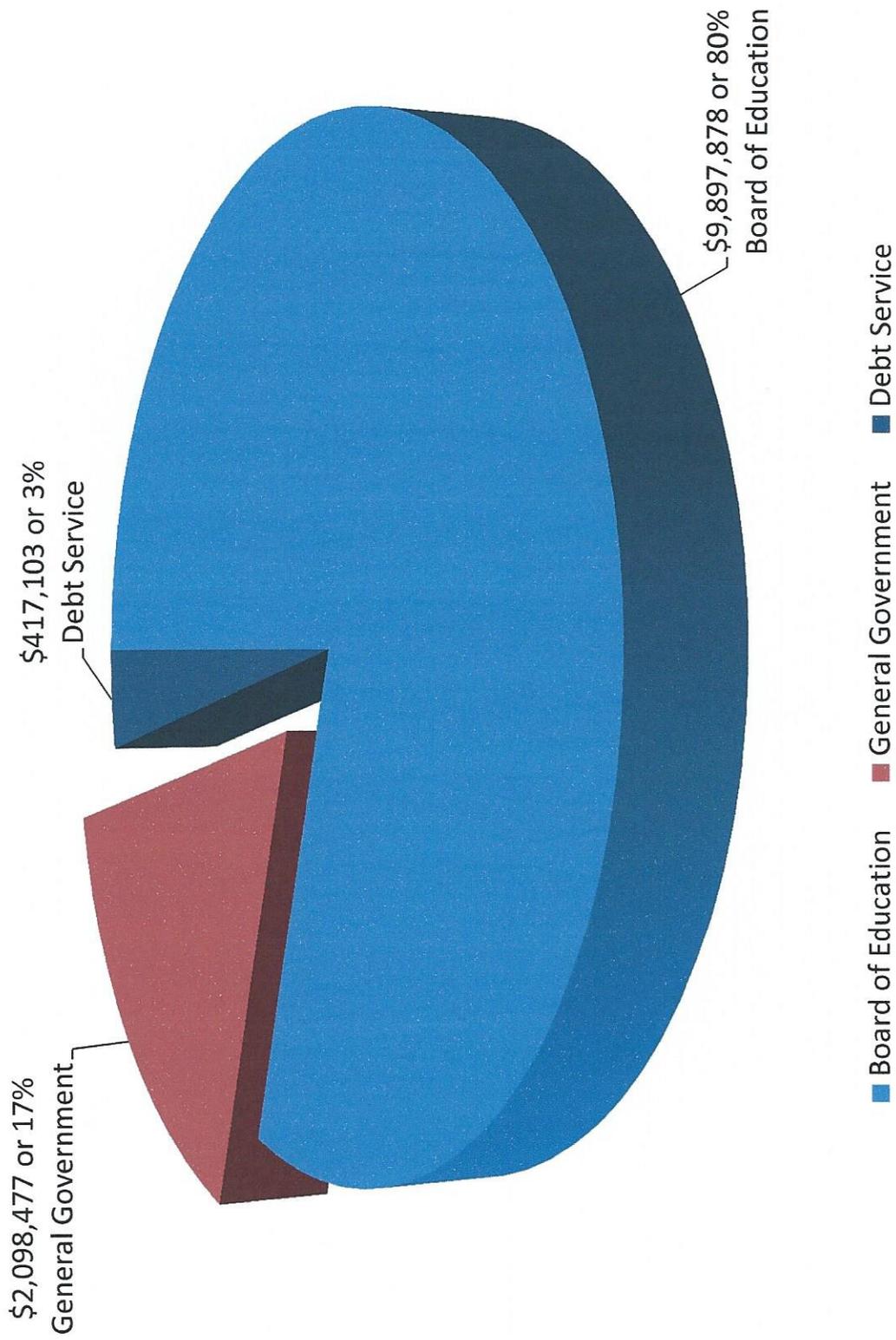
***In FY 2012 and FY 2013 monies were budgeted under 'Debt and Sundry' (line 8203) in anticipation of bond retirement with estimates high enough to cover the first few years of higher debt service for the \$5 million bond. The current balance in the Loan Consolidation / Interest Fund is \$78,567. The scheduled transfer of \$52,103 from this Fund for FY 2015 and inclusion in proposed revenues to off-set this expense leaves a balance in that Fund of \$26,464. This balance will partially cover the 2016 Bond Retirement payment.*

General Government Budget - 2008/2009 thru 2014/2015



Proposed FY 2014/2015 Budget

\$ 12,413,458



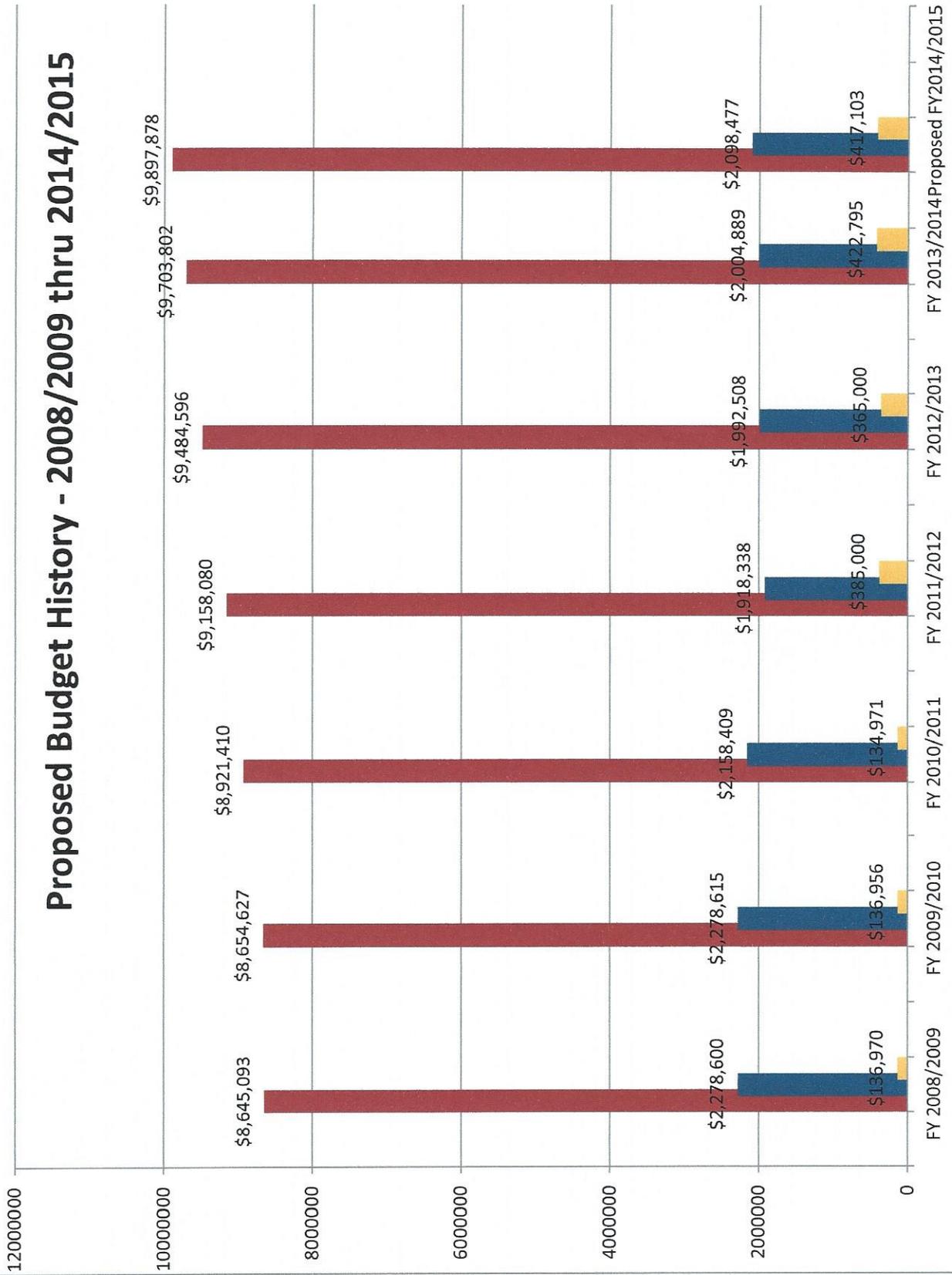
TOTALS BY CATEGORY

	ACTUAL 2012-2013	APPROVED BUDGET 2013-2014	ESTIMATED TO EXPEND 2013-2014	PROPOSED BUDGET 2014-2015	% CHG 2013-2014	\$ CHG 2013-2014
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	507683	572,896	543,282	575,942	0.5%	3,046
PUBLIC SAFETY	24976	24,705	23,043	24,805	0.4%	100
PUBLIC WORKS	454700	520,860	483,135	521,269	0.1%	409
HUMAN SERVICES	45977	47,770	49,335	54,414	13.9%	6,644
CIVIC AND CULTURAL	169372	169,125	173,970	173,672	2.7%	4,547
EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS/II	304965	333,000	328,600	351,275	5.5%	18,275
BOND RETIREMENT/INTER	0	422,795	422,795	417,103	-1.3%	-5,692
CAPITAL/CONTINGENCY	330100	336,533	331,533	397,100	18.0%	60,567
GENERAL GOV'T TOTALS	1,837,773	2,427,684	2,355,693	2,515,580	3.62%	87,896
<i>Less Accrued Revenue Loan Consolidation/Interest Fund:</i>				-52,103		
NET TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT:				\$2,463,477	1.47%	\$35,793

COPIES OF THE DETAILED BUDGETS ARE AVAILABLE ON-LINE AT WWW.POMFRETCT.GOV
AND AT THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE AT THE POMFRET TOWN HALL, FIVE HAVEN ROAD,
POMFRET CENTER, CONNECTICUT 06259

Proposed Budget History - 2008/2009 thru 2014/2015

■ Board of Education ■ General Government ■ Debt Service



BUDGET IN BRIEF

TOWN OF POMFRET PROPOSED APPROPRIATIONS FISCAL YEAR 2014 - 2015

	ACTUAL 2012-2013	APPROVED BUDGET 2013-2014	ESTIMATED TO EXPEND 2013-2014	PROPOSED BUDGET 2014-2015	% CHG FROM LAST YEAR	\$ CHG FROM LAST YEAR
GENERAL GOVERNMENT						
1101 Board of Finance	19173	25,195	24,770	25,325	0.5%	130
1102 Board of Selectmen	106133	114,304	113,704	122,481	7.2%	8,177
1301 Treasurer	31094	32,355	32,330	33,084	2.3%	729
1302 Tax Collector	66193	76,978	75,938	76,739	-0.3%	-239
1303 Tax Assessor	55483	60,845	60,830	64,091	5.3%	3,246
1304 Bd. Assessment Appeals	750	900	900	900	0.0%	0
1401 Planning & Zoning Commiss	22156	29,268	26,880	27,950	-4.5%	-1,318
1402 Conservation Commission	461	1,050	895	900	-14.3%	-150
1403 Inland Wetlands Commissio	21232	23,492	19,235	20,750	-11.7%	-2,742
1404 Zoning Board of Appeals	1176	1,250	625	950	-24.0%	-300
1405 Regional Grants	23241	20,535	20,615	20,749	1.0%	214
1406 Water Pollution Authority	0	800	100	1,100	37.5%	300
1407 Economic Development	675	700	600	700	0.0%	0
1501 Town Counsel	4764	10,000	5,000	10,000	0.0%	0
1502 Probate Court	1841	3,200	2,200	4,550	42.2%	1,350
1601 Town Clerk	66388	71,265	69,605	71,852	0.8%	587
1604 Central Services	29507	37,680	34,475	34,660	-8.0%	-3,020
1701 Elections & Primaries	7993	10,500	9,200	10,750	2.4%	250
1702 Registrars of Voters	12581	10,579	10,630	10,686	1.0%	107
1801 Town Hall	<u>36841</u>	<u>42,000</u>	<u>34,750</u>	<u>37,725</u>	<u>-10.2%</u>	<u>-4,275</u>
	507683	572,896	543,282	575,942	0.5%	3,046
PUBLIC SAFETY						
2201 Fire Marshal	8684	10,300	9,300	10,300	0.0%	0
2301 Civil Preparedness	3379	1,425	775	1,475	3.5%	50
2401 Canine Control	<u>12913</u>	<u>12,980</u>	<u>12,968</u>	<u>13,030</u>	<u>0.4%</u>	<u>50</u>
	24976	24,705	23,043	24,805	0.4%	100
PUBLIC WORKS						
3101 Roads & Drainage	250779	270,300	257,310	261,319	-3.3%	-8,981
3102 Snow Removal	59582	85,000	77,300	87,800	3.3%	2,800
3104 Town Garage	9547	16,875	13,045	16,575	-1.8%	-300
3105 Fleet Maintenance	60003	81,825	67,500	81,925	0.1%	100
3106 Bulky Waste/Recycling	28360	24,200	23,950	24,200	0.0%	0
3109 Cemeteries	3200	7,850	7,850	8,650	10.2%	800
3110 Grounds/Park Maintenance	19002	18,950	21,500	26,250	38.5%	7,300
3401 Building Inspection	<u>24226</u>	<u>15,860</u>	<u>14,680</u>	<u>14,550</u>	<u>-8.3%</u>	<u>-1,310</u>
	454700	520,860	483,135	521,269	0.1%	409
HUMAN SERVICES						
4101 Health Supervision & Operator	19735	20,500	20,500	22,764	11.0%	2,264
4205 Senior Services	<u>26242</u>	<u>27,270</u>	<u>28,835</u>	<u>31,650</u>	<u>16.1%</u>	<u>4,380</u>
	45977	47,770	49,335	54,414	13.9%	6,644

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CIVIC & CULTURAL						
5101 Pomfret Public Library	80538	87,326	87,971	91,341	4.6%	4,015
5102 Abington Social Library	21000	21,000	21,000	21,000	0.0%	0
5201 Recreation	52662	52,799	57,049	56,281	6.6%	3,482
5301 Community Programs	11672	4,500	4,450	1,550	-65.6%	-2,950
5302 Pomfret Historical Society	3500	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	0
	169372	169,125	173,970	173,672	0	4,547
DEBT & SUNDRY						
8101 Employment Exp. & Insura	269387	293,000	290,100	311,275	6.2%	18,275
8102 Insurance	35577	40,000	38,500	40,000	0.0%	0
*8201 Bond & Note Retirement	0	253,000	253,000	253,000	0.0%	0
8202 Bond & Note Interest	0	169,795	169,795	164,103	-3.4%	-5,692
8203 Loan Consol/Bond Interes	365000	0	0	0		0
8301 Contingency	0	5,000	0	5,000	0.0%	0
8501 Capital & Non-Recurring	330100	331,533	331,533	392,100	18.3%	60,567
	1000064	1,092,328	1,082,928	1,165,478	6.7%	73,150
TOTALS:						
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	2,202,773	2,427,684	2,355,693	2,515,580	3.62%	87,896
Less Accrued Revenue Loan Consolidation/Interest Fund:				-52,103		
NET TOTAL GENERAL GOV'T				2,463,477	1.47%	35,793

TOWN OF POMFRET

FY 2014-2015 BUDGET DETAIL

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	ACTUAL 2012-2013	APPROVED BUDGET 2013-2014	ESTIMATED EXPENSES 2013-2014	PROPOSED BUDGET 2014-2015	% CHANGE FROM LAST YEAR	\$ CHANGE FROM LAST YEAR
8501 CAPITAL & NON-RECURRING						
TRANSFER-BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS						
402 Town Office Alterations	10000	5000	5000	5000	0.00%	-
402 Library Duct Cleaning	0	0	0	3000		
402 Senior Center Building Improv	0	0	0	8,000		8,000
TRANSFER OTHER IMPROVEMENTS						
403 Restore Land Records/Recon	3000	3000	3000	3000	0.00%	-
TRANSFER FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT						
404 Computer/Copier Upgrade	5000	10000	10000	10000	0.00%	-
404 Office Furniture	1000	1000	1000	1000	0.00%	-
404 Software Upgrade-3 Yr.	1000	1000	1000	1000	0.00%	-
404 Web Upgrade/Design	10000	0	0	0		-
TRANSFERS						
482.02 Tractor	0	0	0	30000		30,000
482.01 Generator-Town Hall	0	0	0	15000		15,000
482.003 Supplemental Solar/Roof	30000	0	0	0		-
482.04 Truck Replacement	0	25000	25000	25000	0.00%	-
482.005 Truck Re-Build	50000	0	0	0		-
482.006 ADA Compliance	10000	10000	10000	5000	-50.00%	(5,000)
482.007 Underground Tanks Replacer	0	0	0	3000		3,000
482.09 Government Surplus	5000	5000	5000	5000	0.00%	-
482.10 Revaluation	15000	15000	15000	15000	0.00%	-
482.13 School Facility Needs	20000	0	0	0		-
482.13. PCS Well	0	10000	10000	10000	0.00%	-
482.13.1 PCS Equipment	10000	0	0	0		-
482.13.1 PCS Technology Infrastructur	20000	0	0	20000		20,000
482.13.1 PCS Parking Resurface	0	66433	66433	0	-100.00%	(66,433)
482.13.1 PCS Duct Work/Engineering	0	7000	7000	3000	-57.14%	(4,000)
482.13.1 PCS Kitchen Equipment	0	13000	13000	0	-100.00%	(13,000)
482.13.1 PCS Watertanks	0	10000	10000	10000	0.00%	-
482.13.1 PCS Oil Tank Repair	0	0	0	5000		5,000
482.13.2 PCS Oil Tank Monitoring Syst	0	0	0	5000		5,000
482.13.2 PCS Carpet Replacement	0	0	0	5000		5,000
482.14 Pomfret Land Acquisition Fun	100	100	100	100	0.00%	-
482.28 Recreation Development	10000	10000	10000	10000	0.00%	-
482.38 Library Drainage/Bldg Improv	0	10000	10000	5000	-50.00%	(5,000)
482.18 Longmeadow Dr.-Resurface	0	0	0	100000		100,000
482.54 Dennis Road	80000	0	0	0		-
482.55 Fox Hill Road	50000	0	0	0		-
482.56 Freedley Road-Overlay	0	80000	80000	20000	-75.00%	(60,000)
482.24 River Road	0	0	0	40000		40,000
482.58 Recreation Park Road Resurf	0	0	0	10000		10,000
482.57 Holmes Road-Drainage/Overl	0	50000	50000	20000	-60.00%	(30,000)
TOTAL	330100	331533	331533	392100	18.27%	60,567