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INVESTMENT POLICY

(Adopted September 30, 2025)

The primary purpose of this Investment Policy is to provide a clear understanding regarding the Town of Sudbury (the "Town") Long Term Funds, Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Fund, Community Preservation Fund, Special Revenue Funds, and General Fund objectives, goals, risk tolerance, and investment guidelines established for the investment of Town funds.

I. The Investment of General Funds, Special Revenue Funds, Community Preservation Funds, Enterprise Funds, and Capital Projects Funds

A. Scope

This section of the Investment Policy applies only to short term (1-3 years) operating funds such as general funds, special revenue funds, enterprise funds, bond proceeds and capital project funds. A separate Contributory Retirement Board is responsible for the investment of pension funds.

B. Investment Instruments

Note: Public investments in Massachusetts are not protected through provisions in State law.

The Treasurer may invest in the following instruments:

- Massachusetts State pooled fund: <u>Unlimited amounts</u> (Pool is liquid) The Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust (MMDT), an investment pool for state, local, county and other independent governmental authorities, is under the auspices of the State Treasurer. It invests in Bankers Acceptances, Commercial Paper of High Quality, Bank Certificates of Deposit, Repurchase Agreements (Repos), and U. S. Treasury Obligations. It has Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (F.D.I.C.) pass-through insurance on the CD's up to the standard limits and takes delivery on the Repos and Treasuries. Under Government Accounting Standards Board Regulation (GASB III), it is not considered an uncollateralized product.
- U. S. Treasuries that will be held to maturity: <u>Unlimited amounts</u> (Up to one-year maturity from date of purchase)
- U.S. Agency obligations that will be held to maturity. <u>Unlimited amounts</u> (Up to one-year maturity from date of purchase)
- Bank accounts or Certificates of Deposit ("CDs") (Up to three years' maturities from the date
 of purchase) which are fully collateralized through a third-party agreement: <u>Unlimited Amounts</u>

- Bank accounts and CDs (Up to three years' maturities from the date of purchase) insured by
 <u>F.D.I.C.</u> up to the coverage limit. All bank accounts and CDs in one institution are considered
 in the aggregate for the insurance coverage limit. In some cases, Banking Institutions carry
 additional insurance, <u>Depository Insurance Fund (D.I.F.)</u>: Contact banking representative for
 amounts of coverage.
- Unsecured bank deposits of any kind such as other checking, savings, money market, or Certificates of Deposit accounts at Banks that do not fit the above categories. These investments are subject to the following limitations: No more than 5% of an institution's assets and no more than 25% of the Town's cash may be comprised of unsecured bank deposits. This percentage may be increased for not more than 30 days during times of heavy collection or in anticipation of large payments that will be made by the Town in the near future. For example, these payments may be for such items as debt service payment or regional school assessments. Their credit worthiness will be tracked by Veribanc, or other bank credit worthiness reporting systems. They will be diversified as much as possible. CDs will be purchased for no more than three years and will be reviewed frequently.
- Money Market Mutual Funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission that have received the highest possible rating from at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization and as otherwise referenced in the Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 55.

C. Diversification

Diversification should be interpreted in two ways: in terms of maturity as well as instrument type and issuer. The diversification concept should include prohibition against over concentration of maturities, as well as concentration in a specific institution. Except for U.S. Treasury obligations or investments fully collateralized by U.S. Treasuries or agencies, and State pools (MMDT), no more than 25% of the Town's investments shall be invested in a single financial institution.

D. Authorization

The Treasurer has authority to invest Town funds, subject to the statutes of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 55,55A, & 55B.

E. Restrictions

<u>Chapter 44, Section 55</u> sets forth several restrictions that the Treasurer must be aware of when making investment selections.

- The Treasurer shall not at any one time have on deposit in a bank or trust company an amount exceeding 60% of the capital and surplus of such bank or trust company, or banking company, unless satisfactory security is given to it by such bank or trust company, or banking company for such excess.
- The Treasurer shall not make a deposit in any bank, trust company or banking company
 with which he is, or for any time during the three years immediately preceding the date of
 any such deposit was, associated as an officer or employee.
- All securities shall have a maturity from date of purchase of one year or less, with the
 exception of bank certificates of deposits that have a three-year limit from the date of
 purchase.
- Purchases under an agreement with a trust company, national bank or Banking Company to repurchase at not less than original purchase price of said securities on a fixed date shall not exceed ninety days.

F. Legal References

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 55

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 55A

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44; Section 55B

II. The Investment of Long-Term Funds

A. Scope

This section of the Policy applies only to funds that are designated as long term, i.e., trust funds, stabilization funds, cemetery perpetual care, Community Preservation Act and other funds the Town may have set aside for long term use (greater than 3 years, not general funds)

All accounts will be maintained separately receiving their proportionate interest and any realized and unrealized gains or losses. The account may be established as a pooled investment portfolio unless otherwise stated. Any additional accounts will be maintained in this same manner.

B. Authority

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 54 pertains to the investment of Trust Funds, Chapter 40, Section 5B pertains to the investment of Stabilization Funds, and Chapter 44B, Section 7 pertains to the investments of Town Community Preservation Act Funds. All trust funds shall fall under the control of the Town's Treasurer unless otherwise provided or directed by the donor.

If the trust fund results from a gift, grant or bequest from a private donor, and the private donor specifies how the trust shall be invested, the trust fund shall be invested in accordance with the terms of the gift, grant or bequest. If there is a conflict between such donor terms and this Section II, the donor terms shall govern, subject to the general principles of prudence set forth in the Policy.

C. Investment Instruments

M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 54 states that money should be deposited into savings banks, trust companies incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth, banking companies incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth which are members of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or national banks, or invested in participation units in a combined investment fund under Section thirty-eight A of Chapter twenty-nine, or in a paid—up shares and accounts of and in co-operative banks, or in shares of savings and loan associations or in share or savings deposits of federal savings and loan associations doing business in the commonwealth.

Additionally, the Town may invest such funds in securities, other than mortgages or collateral loans, which are legal for the investment of funds of savings banks under the laws of the Commonwealth; provided, that not more than fifteen percent (15%) of any such trust funds shall be invested in bank stocks and insurance company stocks, nor shall more than one and one-half percent (1 ½%) of such funds be invested in the stock of any one bank or insurance company.

The Treasurer may invest in the following instruments:

- U. S. Treasuries that maybe sold prior to maturity: <u>Unlimited amounts</u> (With no limit to the length of maturity from date of purchase)
- U.S. Agency obligations that maybe sold prior to maturity. <u>Unlimited amounts</u> (With no limit to the length of maturity from date of purchase)
- Bank accounts or Certificates of Deposit ("CDs") <u>Unlimited amounts</u> (With no limit to the length of maturity from date of purchase), which is fully collateralized through a third-party agreement:
- Bank accounts and CDs (With no limit to the length of maturity from date of purchase) fully insured by F.D.I.C. and in some cases also Depository Insurance Fund of Massachusetts (D.I.F.): All bank accounts and CDs in one institution are considered in the aggregate to receive the insurance coverage limit.
- Unsecured bank deposits of any kind such as other checking, savings, money market, or Certificates of Deposit accounts at Banks that do not fit the above categories. These investments are subject to the following limitations: These investments will be limited to no more than 5% of an institution's assets and no more than 25% of the Town's cash. This percentage may be increased for not more than 30 days during times of heavy collection or in anticipation of large payments that will be made by the Town in the near future. These payments maybe for such items as debt service payment or regional school assessments. Their credit worthiness will be tracked by Veribanc, or other bank credit worthiness reporting systems. They will be diversified as much as possible. CDs will be purchased with no limit to the length of maturity from the date of purchase and will be reviewed frequently.
- Common and preferred stock that are listed in the <u>List of Legal Investments</u>.
- Investment Funds that are listed in the <u>List of Legal Investments</u>.
- All other items not separately identified here that are listed in the <u>List of Legal Investments</u>.

D. Standards of Care

The standard of prudence to be used by the Treasurer shall be the "Prudent Person" standard and shall be applied in the context of managing an overall portfolio. The Treasurer acting in accordance with written procedures and this Policy, and exercising reasonable due diligence, shall be relieved of personal responsibility for an individual security's credit risk or market price changes, provided the purchases and sale of securities is carried out in accordance with the terms of this Policy and the associated Massachusetts General Laws.

Investments shall be made with judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing, which persons of prudence, discretion, and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs; not for speculation, but for investment considering the probable safety of their capital as well as the probable income to be derived.

In addition, this section would also apply to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 55A which refers to the liability of the Treasurer for losses due to bankruptcy.

E. Diversification

Diversification should be interpreted in two ways: in terms of maturity as well as instrument type and issuer. The diversification concept should include prohibition against over concentration of

maturities, as well as concentration in a specific institution, except for U.S. Treasury obligations or investments fully collateralized by U.S. Treasuries or agencies.

F. Legal References

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 40, Section 5B

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 54

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 55A

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 55B

Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44B, Section 7

Trust Funds may be co-mingled and invested in any instruments allowed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts list of Legal Investments issued by the Banking Commissioner each July. Each trust fund must be accounted for separately. Chapter 44, Section 54 sets forth that Treasurers may invest in instruments that are legal for savings banks. This list of investments is included in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts List of Legal Investments, Chapter 167, Section 15A.

III. General Provisions of Long-Term Funds, Community Preservation Fund, Special Revenue Funds, and General Fund

A. Objective

<u>Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 55B</u> requires the Town's Treasurer to invest all public funds except those required to be kept uninvested for purposes of immediate distribution.

This section also requires that invested funds are to be placed at the highest possible rate of interest reasonably available, considering the acceptable levels of safety, liquidity and yield. Therefore, these guidelines are intended to further the objective of securing the highest reasonable return available that is consistent with safety of principal while meeting the daily cash requirements for the operation of the Town's business.

- Safety of principal is the foremost objective of the investment program. Investments shall be
 undertaken in a manner that seeks to preserve capital through the mitigation of credit risk and
 interest rate risk. These risks shall be mitigated by the diversification and prudent selection
 of investment instruments, and choice of depository. Credit risk is the risk of loss due to the
 failure of the security issuer or backer. Interest rate risk is the risk that the market value of
 the security will fall due to changes in general interest rates.
- Liquidity is the next most important objective. The overall investment portfolio shall remain sufficiently liquid to meet all operating requirements that may be reasonably anticipated. Since all possible cash demands cannot be anticipated, the Treasurer shall attempt to carry out investment activities in a manner that provides for meeting unusual or unexpected cash demands without requiring the liquidation of investments that could result in forfeiture of accrued interest earnings, and loss of principal in some cases.

- Yield is the third, and last, objective. Investments shall be undertaken to achieve a fair market average rate of return, taking into account safety and liquidity constraints as well as all legal requirements.
- The Town Trust Funds' investments will adhere to the following priority: Safety, Yield and Liquidity
 - All funds will be pooled to maximize the yield and investment opportunities available and managed under a collective investment fund by the Trustees of Town Donations
 - The Trustees of Town Donations consists of the five members of the Select Board and the Town Treasurer.
 - The Trustees of Town Donations has investment decision making authority and may seek
 the advice of the Trust Fund Investment Advisory Group, which consists of three
 appointed members and the Town Treasurer. Execution of investment decisions will be
 the responsibility of the Town Treasurer, who will have the authority to execute the
 necessary documents for purposes of investment.
 - All income generated from the fund should be re-invested until time of use.
 - Only income can be expended from the Trust Funds on an annualized basis. Income will
 be reported at the close of each fiscal year. Transfers to operating expense will only be
 made upon approval of requests received by the Treasurer and Trustees of Town
 Donations.
 - Principal: The definition of principal includes the original bequest plus any capital gains
 or other additional income reverted to principal at the beneficiary's request. Principal is
 permanent.

B. Risk Tolerance

Credit Risk

"Credit risk" is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations.

The Town will manage credit risk several ways. There will be no limit to the amount of United States Treasury and United States Government Agency obligations. In regard to other investments, the Town will only purchase investment grade securities with a high concentration in securities rated A or better. The Town may invest in the Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust (MMDT) with no limit to the amount of funds placed in the fund. The Town may place funds in banking institutions as stated in Section C of this Policy.

Custodial Credit Risk

The "custodial credit risk" for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a municipality will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, a municipality will not be able to recover the value of investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

The Town will review the financial institution's financial statements and the background of the Advisor. The intent of this qualification is to limit the Town's exposure to only those institutions with a proven financial strength, Capital adequacy of the firm, and overall affirmative

reputation in the municipal industry. Further, all securities not held directly by the Town, will be held in the Town's name and tax identification number by a third-party custodian approved by the Treasurer and evidenced by safekeeping receipts showing individual CUSIP numbers for each security.

Concentration of Credit Risk

"Concentration of credit risk" is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer.

The Town will minimize concentration of credit risk by diversifying the investment portfolio so that the impact of potential losses from any one type of security or issuer will be minimized.

Interest Rate Risk

"Interest rate risk" is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment.

The Town will manage interest rate risk by managing duration in the account.

• Foreign Currency Risk

"Foreign currency risk" is the risk that changes in foreign monetary exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or a deposit.

The Town will limit investment in any instrument exposed to foreign currency risk.

C. Ethics

The Treasurer (and Assistant Treasurer) shall refrain from any personal activity that may conflict with the proper execution of the investment program or which could impair or appear to impair ability to make impartial investment decisions. Said individuals shall disclose to the Finance Director and Town Manager any material financial interest in financial institutions that do business with the Town. They shall also disclose any large personal financial investment positions or loans that could be related to the performance of the Town's investments.

D. Relationship with Financial Institutions

Financial institutions should be selected first and foremost for their financial soundness and stability. The Town may subscribe to the Veribanc Rating Service to evaluate the banking institutions with which it chooses to establish relationships. Brokers should be recognized, reputable dealers and members of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA).

In instances where the Town does not purchase the Veribanc Rating Service, the Treasurer should request the banking institution's Veribanc rating from all the banking institutions that are working with the Town on a quarterly basis.

When using the Veribanc Rating Service the Treasurer may invest in such banks that show a green rating in a quarter. If a rating is yellow the Treasurer should contact the appropriate banking institution and request in writing an explanation of the change in rating and the expected time table for it to be changed to green. If for a second quarter such rating is not green, the Treasurer should consider removing all funds that are not collateralized, or that carry some form of depositor's insurance. If a rating moves to red, all money should be immediately collateralized or covered by some form of depositor's insurance or be removed from the banking institution.

The Treasurer shall require any brokerage houses and broker/dealers wishing to do business with the Town to supply the following information to the Treasurer on an annual basis:

- Annual Financial statements
- If acting as a Registered Investment Advisor, copy of their most recent Form ADV Part II report
- Errors & Omissions insurance amounting to, at a minimum, the total fair market value of the Trust Fund Portfolio
- A statement that the Advisor has read this Investment Policy and will comply with it on an annual basis
- Annual review all advisors through <u>www.finra.org</u>: Broker Check

E. Reporting Requirements

On a semi-annual basis, a report containing the following information will be prepared by the Treasurer and distributed to the Finance Director and Town Manager. The semi-annual report will include the following information, as a minimum requirement:

- A listing of the individual accounts and individual securities held at the end of the reporting period.
- A listing of the short-term investment portfolio by security type and maturity to ensure compliance with the diversification and maturity guidelines established in the "Diversification" section of this Policy.
- A summary of the income earned monthly and year-to-date basis shall be reported.
- The Treasurer shall include in the report a brief statement of general market and economic conditions and other factors that may affect the Town's cash position.
- The report should demonstrate the degree of compliance with the tenets set forth in this Policy.

IV. The Investment of OPEB Trust Funds

A. Scope

This Policy applies to all funds that are separately designated as long-term OPEB funds for the Town or any of its separately identified enterprises. Any additional contributions to the Trust will be maintained in the same manner.

B. Authority

Massachusetts General Law <u>Chapter 32B, Section 20</u> allows a city, Town, county or municipal lighting plant to set up a special trust fund, the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Liability Trust Fund. The Treasurer is the custodian of the fund. Investment of fund monies by the

custodian must be consistent with the prudent person standard set forth in Massachusetts General Law Chapter 203C for private trust funds. Interest earned on the investment of fund monies belongs to the fund.

C. Diversification

The following asset classes can be included in the Trust in order to construct a diversified investment portfolio that is both prudent and appropriate given the Town's actuarial assumed discount rate, target rate of return, investment objective, and risk tolerance.

Equities

The primary objective of the Trust's equity allocation is to provide long-term total returns that are, at a minimum, consistent with appropriate broad market indexes through full market cycles.

The Investment Manager of the diversified portfolio can purchase and manage the equity allocation using individual equities, such as domestic common stocks, preferred stocks, and/or American-Depository Receipts (ADRs).

The Investment Manager can also utilize other investments such as mutual funds, exchange traded funds, closed-end funds, etc. Total equity exposure is able to include both domestic and international equities, both developed and emerging countries and geographic regions, as well as large-, mid-, and small-market capitalization weighted companies. Direct holdings of common stock, preferred stock, and/or ADRs in any one company should not exceed 5% of the market value of the invested portfolio.

Investing directly in real estate, private placements, letter stock, or initial public offerings is strictly prohibited. The Investment Manager of the diversified portfolio shall not engage directly in margin transactions, short sales, or any other leveraged or inverse investment vehicles. Mutual funds, exchange-traded funds, and closed-end funds, however, may engage in margin, leverage, and/or short sales. Investing directly in unit-investment trusts (UITs) and business development companies (BDCs) is strictly prohibited.

Fixed Income

The primary objectives of the Trust's fixed income allocation are to preserve capital and generate a reasonable level of cash flow. The secondary objective is to provide price returns that exhibit lower correlation to the broad global equity markets in order to reduce the overall risk of the portfolio.

The Investment Manager of the diversified portfolio can purchase and manage the fixed income allocation using individual bonds that are United States Dollar denominated only. Issuer selection can include domestic corporate bonds and any obligations of the United States Government and/or its agencies.

The Investment Manager can also utilize other investment vehicles such as mutual funds, exchange traded funds, closed-end funds, etc. Total fixed income exposure is able to include both domestic and international bonds, both developed and emerging countries and geographic regions. Direct holdings of individual corporate bonds in any one company should not exceed 5% of the market value of the invested portfolio; however, this is not applicable to the United States Government and/or its agencies. Lower-quality investments may only be held through diversified vehicles, such as mutual funds or exchange-traded funds.

Investing directly in real estate, mortgages, collateral or non-collateral loans, private placements, fixed income or interest rate futures, or any other specialized fixed income ventures is strictly prohibited. Investing directly in unit-investment trusts (UITs) and business development companies (BDCs) is strictly prohibited.

Alternative Investments

The primary objective of the Trust's alternative allocation is to provide long-term capital appreciation that is less correlated to broad global equity and fixed income indexes.

The Investment Manager of the diversified portfolio can only purchase those strategies that are deemed to be alternative through daily-liquid diversified investment vehicles such as mutual funds, exchange-traded funds, closed-end funds, etc. The only exceptions to the daily liquidity rule are private equity and real estate exposures and investment strategies. Private equity vehicles may also hold private debt as part of a diversified strategy.

Investing directly in unit-investment trusts (UITs) and business development companies (BDCs) is strictly prohibited.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash will be maintained to provide periodic cash distributions, when necessary. Cash will not normally be held as a strategic investment asset, although the Investment Manager may seek to allow cash to build to the maximum level in times of market uncertainty.

D. Specific Risks

Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations.

The Town will manage credit risk several ways. There will be no limit to the amount of United States Treasury and United States Government Agency obligations.

In regard to fixed-income investments, the Town will only purchase investment grade securities. Lower-quality investments may only be held through diversified vehicles, such as mutual funds or exchange-traded funds. Investments in fixed income securities will be made primarily for income and capital preservation.

Custodial Risk

The custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

The Town will review the financial institution's financial statements and the background of the sales representative. The intent of this qualification is to limit the Town's exposure to only those institutions with a proven financial strength, capital adequacy of the firm, and overall affirmative reputation in the municipal industry.

Further, all securities not held directly by the Town will be held in the Town's name and tax identification number by a third-party custodian approved by the Treasurer and evidenced by safekeeping receipts showing individual CUSIP numbers for each security.

Concentration of Credit Risk

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer.

The Town will minimize Concentration of Credit Risk by diversifying the investment portfolio so that the impact of potential losses from any one type of security or issuer will be minimized. As stated above, securities of a single corporate issuer (with the exception of the United States Government and its Agencies) will not exceed 5% of the portfolio value.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment.

The Town will manage interest rate risk by managing duration, as a measure of interest rate sensitivity, in the Trust.

Foreign Currency Risk

Foreign currency risk is the risk that changes in foreign monetary exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or a deposit.

The Town will, as much as feasible, mitigate foreign currency risk.

E. Standards of Care

The standard of prudence to be used by the Treasurer shall be the "Prudent Person" standard and shall be applied in the context of managing an overall portfolio. The Treasurer acting in accordance with written procedures and this Policy, and exercising reasonable due diligence, shall be relieved of personal responsibility for an individual security's credit risk or market price changes, provided the purchases and sale of securities is carried out in accordance with the terms of this Policy.

Investments shall be made with judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing, which persons of prudence, discretion, and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs; not for speculation, but for investment considering the probable safety of their capital as well as the probable income to be derived.

In addition, this section would also apply to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 55A which refers to the liability of the Treasurer for losses due to bankruptcy.

F. Ethics

The Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer shall refrain from any personal activity that may conflict with the proper execution of the investment program or which could impair or appear to impair ability to make impartial investment decisions. The Treasurer shall disclose to the Finance Director and Town Manager any material financial interest in financial institutions that do business with the Town. They shall also disclose any large personal financial investment positions or loans that could be related to the performance of the Town's investments.

G. Relationship with Financial Institutions

Financial institutions should be selected first and foremost with regard to their financial soundness and stability. Brokers should be recognized, reputable dealers. All cash and securities shall be held in either a bank that is allowable for the deposit of public funds, provided funds on deposit are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), or in an Investment Brokerage Account that is insured by the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC). If a banking institution is selected as manager, the Town will subscribe to Veribanc[®], a recognized bank rating service.

The Treasurer shall require any brokerage houses and broker/dealers, wishing to do business with the Town, to supply the following information to the Treasurer:

- Annual financial statements
- If acting as a Registered Investment Adviser, Form ADV Part II report
- Errors & Omissions insurance amounting to, at a minimum, the total fair market value of the Trust Funds Portfolio.
- A statement that the Advisor has read this Policy and will comply with it on an annual basis
- Annual review all advisors through www.finra.org: Broker Check

H. Reporting Requirements

On a semi-annual basis, a report containing the following information will be prepared by the Treasurer and distributed to the Finance Director and Town Manager. The semi-annual report will include the following information, as a minimum requirement:

- A listing of the individual accounts and individual securities held at the end of the reporting period.
- A listing of the short-term investment portfolio by security type and maturity to ensure compliance with the diversification and maturity guidelines established in the "Diversification" section of this Policy.
- A summary of the income earned on a monthly basis and year-to-date basis shall be reported.
- The Treasurer shall include in the report a brief statement of general market and economic conditions and other factors that may affect the Town's cash position.
- The report should demonstrate the degree of compliance with the tenets set forth in this Policy.

I. Performance Measurement and Evaluation

- The individual and custom benchmarks that will be monitored for performance reporting and analysis of the Trust's portfolio are stated and described in the addendums to this Policy.
- It is expected that the respective asset classes of the Trust's diversified portfolio will outperform their respective benchmarks, net of fees and expenses, on a long term (market cycle) basis.

K. Supervision

- The Treasurer will meet with the investment manager(s) as frequently as semi-annually to monitor the performance of the funds and the investment manager(s) compliance with these guidelines. The Treasurer will receive and review portfolio management reports semi-annually.
- The Treasurer will review this Investment Policy at least once a year to ensure that it remains appropriate and complete.
- The Treasurer has the option to review the management of funds to consider going out to bid periodically.

L. Legal References

- Massachusetts General Law Chapter 32B, Section 20
- Massachusetts General Law Chapter 203C, Section 1 through 11