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Subject: Fw: Investment Policy

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Matt

I am full support of this amendment and would add that BNH matches NHPDIP rate every Monday morning, therefore eliminating the need to continually move money from account to account, and would support the elimination of the balance limitation in the current investment policy.

Rita

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Subject: Investment Policy

Good morning Matt
I request that the Investment Policy be amended to include the Bank of NH.
Please let me know if you have any questions or if any additional information is needed.
Thank you for your assistance.
Sue Philbrick
Treasurer
Town of Rye

– Current Policy –

Town of Rye, New Hampshire

Revised Investment Policy for Town Funds

Adopted by the Rye Select Board September 22, 2025

Section 1. Purpose

Pursuant to RSA 41.9 (VII), this policy (the "Policy") establishes guidelines for the protection of public funds and the investment of all Town of Rye ("Town") funds not immediately required for day-to-day operations. Investments shall be made with the following objectives, in order of priority:

1. **Safety of Principal** – Preservation of capital is the foremost objective.
2. **Liquidity** – Funds shall remain sufficiently liquid to meet all operating requirements.
3. **Yield** – Investments shall be structured to attain a reasonable return consistent with safety and liquidity.

Section 2. General Account Operating Balance

The Treasurer shall maintain no more than **$1,100,000** in available funds in depository account(s) under the control and supervision of the Treasurer in the Town's general operating account for the purpose of meeting payroll and other ongoing expenses.

On a daily basis, (generally referred to as "overnight investments"), any funds in the general operating account excess of this threshold shall be transferred to New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool with the exception of investments made in US Government Obligations, both in accordance with Section 3 of this Policy.

Section 3. Authorized Investments

Pursuant to RSA 41:29 (IV), the Treasurer is authorized to invest excess Town funds only in the following instruments:

A. U.S. Treasury Securities

- Direct obligations of the United States Treasury (Treasury bills, notes, or bonds).
- Maturities shall not exceed six (6) months.

- Purchases may be made as new issues or secondary offerings.
- Such securities shall be purchased through and held in a segregated account by Fidelity Investments or another institution approved by the Select Board.

B. New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool (RSA 6:45)

- Funds may be invested in the State of New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool, as authorized under RSA 383:22 through RSA 383:24.
- The Pool is operated under the oversight of the New Hampshire Bank Commissioner and its statutory advisory committee, with disclosure, reporting, and annual audits provided to participants.

Section 4. Restrictions

- No other investment vehicles are permitted without specific prior authorization by vote of the Select Board.
- Investments in equities, corporate bonds, municipal bonds, or other securities not listed in Section 3 are prohibited.

Section 5. Collateralization

Pursuant to RSA 41:20(V), Treasurer shall require any banking institution with whom the Town has a depository account or investment that such funds be fully secured for amounts excess of FDIC insured limits, at least equal to the amount of such funds with either (i) eligible securities as set forth in banking regulations Chapter Ban 1450.04 Collateralization of Public Deposits together with a legal opinion that the Town has a valid perfected, first priority security interest in such pledged securities or (ii) a standby letter of credit issued by a US Government agency which carries the full faith and credit of the US Government such as the Federal Home Loan Bank.

Section 6. Authorized Financial Institutions

TD Bank, Bank of New York/Mellon Bank, Partners Bank, Citizens Bank, Fidelity Investments and the New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool.

Section 7. Reporting Requirements

The Treasurer shall provide the Select Board with a **monthly written report** showing:

- Balances in the general operating account;

- Amount required as compensating balances for depository account(s);
- Amount required for compensating balance;
- Current investments held, yield and maturity dates;
- Amounts invested in the Public Deposit Investment Pool;
- Interest or investment earnings received.

The Treasurer shall also report any transfers made from the general operating account into authorized investments during the reporting period.

A copy of each monthly report shall be provided to the **Town's Finance Director and independent auditors** to ensure compliance and oversight.

Section 8. Enforcement

Failure of the Treasurer to comply with this Policy shall be subject to review by the Select Board. The Board may take corrective action, including but not limited to referral to the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration or other appropriate oversight bodies, as provided by law.

Section 9. Review

This Policy shall be reviewed annually by the Select Board and updated as necessary to comply with New Hampshire state law and to safeguard the best interests of the Town of Rye.

Section 10. Statutory Authority

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- **RSA 31:25** – Authority of towns to invest trust funds and reserve funds.
- **RSA 383:22–24 and RSA 6:45** – Public Deposit Investment Pool, disclosure, rulemaking, and advisory committee.
- **Part 1450.04** - Collateralization of Public Deposits
- **RSA 41:29** – Duties of municipal treasurers.

Section 11. Prior Investment Policies

This Policy replaces and supersedes all prior investment policies.

Adopted by the Rye Select Board this 22nd Day of September 2025

Bob McGrath, Chairman

Rob Wright, Vice-Chairman

Mike Coutu, Selectman

Town of Rye, New Hampshire

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Rob Wright, Chairman

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Howard Kalet, Vice-Chairman

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John Tuttle, Select Board Member

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Suzanne Barton, Select Board Member

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E. Scott McQuade, Select Board Member

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