

**Town of Lyme, NH**  
**Trustees of the Trust Funds**  
**Annual Report 2025**

The town of Lyme maintains numbers of trust funds (28 in total). The funds serve as long-term savings towards large expenses, and as insurance against unexpected costs. For example, the Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund puts money away towards large expenses such as highway trucks, police cars, and fire vehicles. The Special Education Capital Reserve Fund puts money away towards special education costs. The total value of the funds varies monthly by expenses and investment results. As of December 31, 2025 the trusts held in total \$5,459,382.00.

Three trustees oversee the funds. The trustees hired Bar Harbor Bank to manage the investments. There is a written investment policy. That policy asks Bar Harbor to do three things:

1. Manage investments prudently.
2. Achieve investment results of 4% increase per year over the Consumer Price Index, after deducting Bar Harbor's fees.
3. Make all necessary monthly and yearly reports to the town and state, some of which are detailed and burdensome.

The yearly report to the state is contained on an MS-9 form, which is attached to this document. The investment results for this year, and comparative results from prior years are also attached to this report. Bar Harbor Bank obtained total investment returns of 10.43% this year. A weighted average valuing the results by the number of dollars in each fund shows an 8.72% return. These gains amounted to \$371,842.00 dollars.

The Trustees meet with the investment advisors to review strategy and results at least yearly. The Trustees consult to the Budget Committee and the Selectboard about future needs of the funds.

For the Trustees of the Trust Funds

Philip J. Kinsler, Chair  
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