Fire Department					
FY	Fire Fees	Operational Expenses*	Debt Payments**	Difference	Notes
17-18	2,532,332	2,775,040	330,929	(573,637)	
18-19	2,701,095	3,533,940	278,958	(1,111,803)	
19-20	3,445,520	3,236,820	325,685	(116,985)	20% Fire Fee increase
20-21	4,079,458	3,237,106	420,726	421,626	10% Fire Fee increase
21-22	4,315,455	4,399,107	452,431	(536,083)	
22-23	4,612,288	6,120,850	878,060	(2,386,621)	
23-24 YTD as of 2/15/24	2,998,081	4,787,347	1,050,464	(2,839,731)	Fire Fees set at statutory limit
24-25 Budget	6,180,000	8,920,000	1,266,964	(4,006,964)	
				(11,150,197)	
	*Does not include buildings, building upkeep, cleaning supplies, IT software, IT hardware, cellphones, utilities, insurance etc.		**Debt Payments are for buildings and fire apparatus		

The fire district is larger than just the Leland Town limits. Currently, the fire fee is set to the maximum amount allowed by State Statute. Therefore, in order to provide the level of fire service desired, the difference between fire fee revenue and fire department expenses is supplemented by Town of Leland residents. For reference, Leland Town limits is about 27.20 square miles and the Leland Fire district is 60 square miles.