

**Town of Rowe**  
Board of Selectmen – Minutes  
Wednesday, February 1, 2016 – 10:00 am  
Rowe Town Hall

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**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Wilson at 10:00am.

**Present:** Chair Wilson, Vice-Chair Gleason and Administrative Clerk Janice Boudreau  
Michael Buoniconti, Loretta Dionne, Carrie Gerivaltis, Rosie Gordon, William Knittle, Michael Kociela, Jon Lev, Gail May, Marilyn Wilson, Ray Wilson, Wayne Zavotka, Susan Zavotka

**NEW BUSINESS**

To meet with Mohawk Trail Regional School District (MTRSD) Superintendent & MTRSD Business Manager, Rowe Finance Committee and School Committee to discuss whether Rowe wishes to join MTRSD for grades 7-12.

Discussion Included the following:

- It was agreed that population projections should be investigated for future years and historical analysis of last 10 prior analysis of enrollment years to determine whether Rowe's cost for the education of grades 7-12 would increase or decrease.
- Transportation costs were discussed as well as Rowe's responsibility of sharing capital renovation project costs for Mohawk High School only
- Other benefits aside from financial are that Rowe would have 2 voting seats on the School Committee and a voice to influence on the direction of education
- The other 9 District Towns would vote on the issue at their Annual Town Meetings to agree to have Rowe rejoin the MTRSD for grades 7-12
- The calculation used to establish Rowe Tuition Rate was reviewed and found to be incomplete.
- Rowe Voluntary contributions since 2005 was calculated at \$489,000.00 for technology and various things, so would not be a significant financial change to include contributing to new capital projects if Rowe joined the District.
- New capital projects going forward Rowe would be responsible for in addition to tuition but only those pertaining to Mohawk High School.
- The process to add Rowe to the MTRSD was discussed including having a 9-Town information session as well as an informational meeting in Rowe

- There was discussion about the culture and history of having been a part of the District and the philosophical piece of being a fully contributing member ..

**Adjournment:** Seeing no further business, Chair Wilson made a motion to adjourn the Meeting at 11:20 a.m. The motion, seconded by Vice-Chair Gleason, was unanimously accepted.  
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Respectfully Submitted,

Janice Boudreau

Approval Date: MARCH 9, 2016

Approved:

Marilyn Wilson  
Marilyn Wilson, Chair

Susan Gleason  
Susan Gleason, Vice-Chair

Walter J. Quist  
Walter J. Quist, Selectman

**Attachments:**

- Agenda 2/1/16
- MTRSD Calculation used to establish Rowe Tuition Rate
- MTRSD Regional School District Agreement (24 pgs)
- Projected Assessments if Rowe were a member of MTRSD
- MTRSD Major Capital Renovation Projects
- MTRSD Rowe Grant Fund FY02-15
- MTRSD Enrollment
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