Town of Rowe – FY2013
Board of Selectmen – Minutes
EMERGENCY MEETING
Saturday, October 27, 2012 – 10:00am
Rowe Town Hall

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman McLatchy at 10:00am.

Present: Vice Chairman Paul McLatchy III and Selectman Marilyn Wilson

Absent: Chairman Noel Abbott

Also Present: DPW Supt. Jim Taylor, Emergency Management Director Ed May, Fire Chief Paul McLatchy Jr., Police Chief Henry Dandeneau, Police Officer Julie Shippee and Town Coordinator Ellen Miller

Weather Forecast: Public Safety officials discussed the latest weather forecasts available. The event will mainly be a wind event for Rowe with power outages expected. There may be minor flooding. The event is expected to be over our area through Wednesday or Thursday.

Dams: The two dams (Mill Pond and Pelham Lake) were lowered slightly by the DPW. Chief Dandeneau cautioned that small ponds should not be drawn down before events, but instead should be monitored and adjusted during events to ensure that fish populations are not impacted. Keys to the dams were turned over to Chief Dandeneau to so that he could monitor/adjust the dams during the event.

Roadways: DPW Supt. Taylor and his crew will focus on keeping roadways open and culverts free of debris. Jim reported that because of the recent dry weather conditions a great deal of roadside leaves had already been removed, which will pay off tremendously during this event.

At-Risk Citizens: Selectman Wilson stated that she had contacted most all elderly residents to ensure that they are taken care of.

EOC: Ed May stated that in the event the EOC is activated, the Select Board, Fire Chief and Police Chief will need to be present at the site. The EOC will also serve as shelter as this is the only facility with a generator.

Shelter: The EOC, which has a generator, will serve as shelter for citizens. If the Gracy House and/or Town Hall have power, they will serve as shelter areas also.

Communication: Ed May has been in frequent communication with state officials concerning the event. Ellen Miller will put out a town-wide call informing citizens that shelter sites will be available if needed, and remind citizens that potable water is always available at the Avery Fountain.

Next Meeting: A follow-up meeting will be held Monday, October 29th at 10:00am.

Adjournment: The Select Board voted unanimously (2/0/0) to adjourn the meeting at 10:35am.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen B. Miller
Town Coordinator

Approved:

[Absent]
Noel R. Abbott, Chairman

Paul McLatchy III, Vice Chairman

Marilyn Wilson

Oct 30, 2012
Date Approved