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ROWE

MASSACHUSETTS



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OFFICE HOURS AND MEETING SCHEDULES

Town Office	Weekdays 8:30 am to 4:00 pm (Except for Legal Holidays)
Town Clerk	Tuesday 9:00 am to 12:00 noon
Tax Collector	Wednesday 9:00 am to 12:00 noon
Town Nurse	Monday 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm Thursday 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm Friday 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm (Home visits scheduled in advance)
Board of Selectmen/ Board of Health	Every Tuesday 7:00 pm
Finance Committee	First Tuesday of each month 7:00 pm
Conservation Commission	Second Monday of each month 6:30 pm
Park Commission	Second Tuesday of each month 6:00 pm
Planning Board	First Monday of each month 7:30 pm
Assessors' Clerk	Wednesday 9:00 am to 12:00 noon
Assessors	As posted
School Committee	As posted

All meetings are public and citizens are encouraged to attend. With the exception of School Committee meetings, which are held at the Rowe Elementary School, all meetings are held in the Town Hall.

TOWN OFFICE PHONE 339-5520

EMERGENCY PHONE (Medical, Fire & Police) 339-4961

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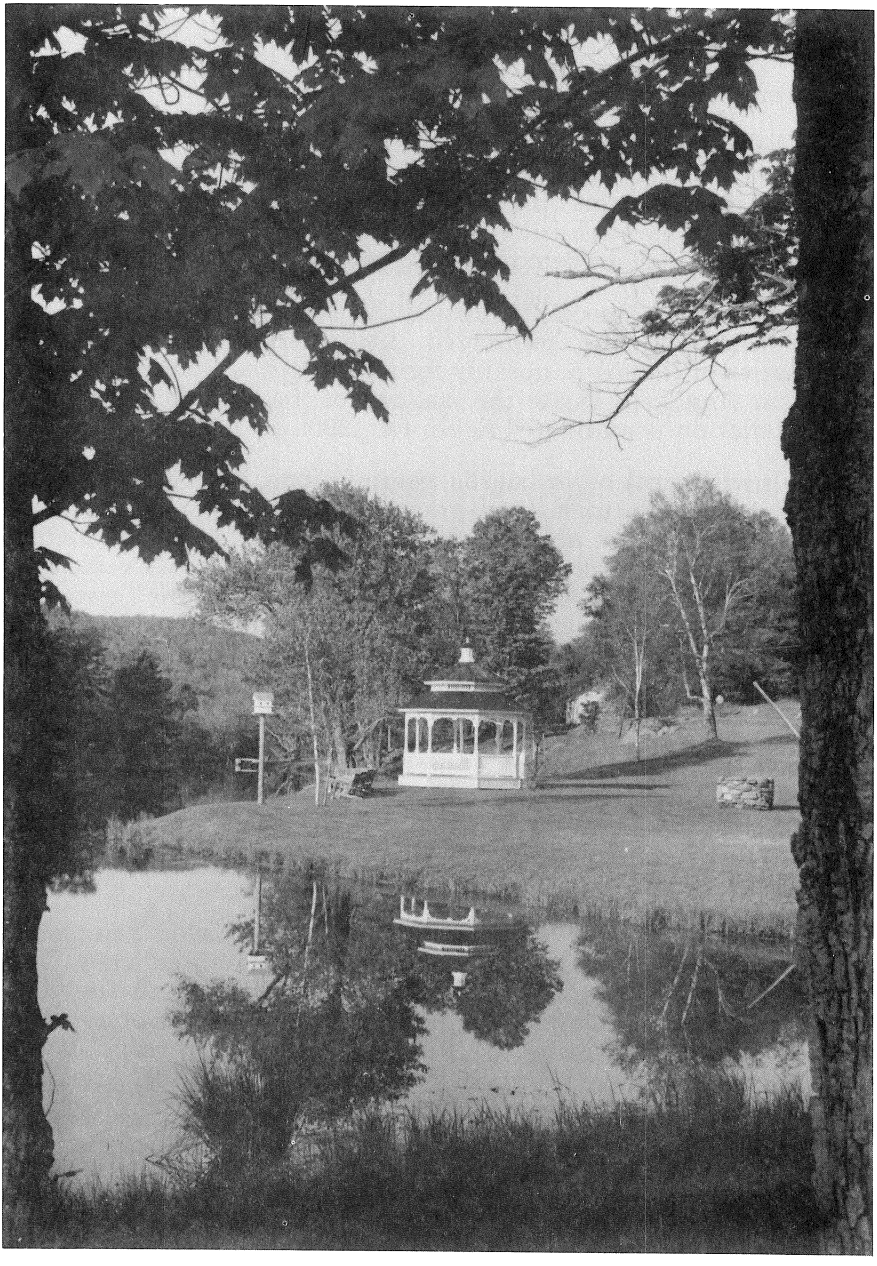


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Newly Painted Gazebo - June 1989

Annual Report of the Selectmen

The Selectmen are keenly aware that between fifteen and twenty percent of the citizens of Rowe are involved in the management of Town affairs and that only a small number of those are full time employees. Many work solely out of a sense of civic responsibility. Our town exemplifies democracy at work.

The Board is especially grateful to Nancy Williams for her participation in the prolonged 1985 perambulation of the boundaries of the town, notably for a persistence that enabled her this year finally to locate the last two of the boundary markers. Perambulation is mandated again for 1990.

Along with most other boards, commissions, and committees of the town, the Selectmen were greatly relieved when around mid-September they were able to leave their crowded space in the fire station and return to commodious quarters in the reconstructed and expanded Town Hall. As this report is being written the Town still has not formally accepted possession of the unfinished building, and insurance on the structure is still being paid by the Dole Brothers. Some of the final work awaits the return of warm weather.

Early in the year the Selectmen entered into an agreement with the New England Forestry Foundation and Lashway Lumber Company, under terms approved by Town Counsel and secured by a $1000 deposit, for the use of Town land in the gravel storage area for stacking and loading logs harvested on land of Edward Pepyne and of the Peck Realty Trust.

Construction of the salt/sand storage shed was completed January 24, 1989, except for painting-- left for the road crew. The Massachusetts Department of Public Works approved the construction as meeting state standards and Commissioner Jane Garvey pledged a grant of $100,000 toward the cost of its construction when funds for salt sheds are again released. Any plan for spending that money would be premature, given the current state fiscal crisis.

Pursuant to a vote of the Special Town Meeting of February 13, 1989, to take by eminent domain thirty two acres more or less, from William J. and Anna T. Boullie, the Selectmen consummated the purchase.

On recommendation of the Town Hall Expansion Committee, the Board at its February 14 meeting, engaged Lynne Leavitt, of Broadway Office Systems, Inc., of Springfield, for consultation and

preparation of specifications for bid on office furnishings for the Town Hall addition at a fee of fifty dollars per hour for her services, not to exceed a total of $1500. When specifications were let out to bid, Broadway Office Systems offered the only bid consistent with specifications, which was accepted by the Annual Town Meeting of May 8, 1989.

On May 2, a landslide temporarily blocked traffic on Zoar Road in Charlemont. An emplacement of Jersey barriers backed up by mounds of gravel was considered a necessary safety measure. On recommendation of Pete Brown, our Road Superintendent, the Selectmen wrote to the Selectmen of Charlemont asking that the Jersey barriers be marked for safe travel at night or in snow storms as a condition of our continuing to provide winter road maintenance in Zoar beyond December 15, 1989. As of that date we asked our crew to stop snowplowing in Zoar until safety devices should be in place. (The problem was amicably resolved and snowplowing resumed when the Charlemont Selectmen marked the barriers with colored reflectors prior to the writing of this report.)



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Zoar Road (Charlemont) Spring 1989 Landslide

The Board arranged for the removal of the Veterans' Memorial from its former site on the Library lawn to its present position before the main entrance to the enlarged Town Hall, following an appropriation for that purpose voted at the September 8, Special Town Meeting.

At its meeting of September 12, the Board accepted with regret Linda Stickney's resignation as Director of Civil Defense--an important post in a preparedness program the success of which is prerequisite to Yankee Atomic's keeping its license to operate.

At its meeting of September 30, the Board appointed James O'Brien Director of Civil Defense to complete the term vacated by Mrs. Stickney.

At a duly advertised public hearing, October 17, 1989, the Board granted to Ashleys Restaurant a wine and malt beverage license. On November 28, that license was approved by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission.

The Board of Selectmen have spent a great many hours over the years on problems related to the maintenance of the Deerfield River bridge between Rowe and Monroe, especially on the problem of the deteriorating abutment on the Rowe end of the bridge. Negotiations towards the resolution of our problems began in a meeting on November 17 at which representatives of the New England Power Company, Monroe Selectmen, Rowe Selectmen, a representative of the Rowe Conservation Commission, our Road Superintendent, and the County Engineer were present. At that meeting the New England Power Company outlined a proposal destined to become the basis of an agreement between New England Power Company, the Massachusetts Department of Public Works, the County Commissioners, the Selectmen of Monroe and Rowe representing their respective towns. The content of that agreement is a matter for next year's annual report.

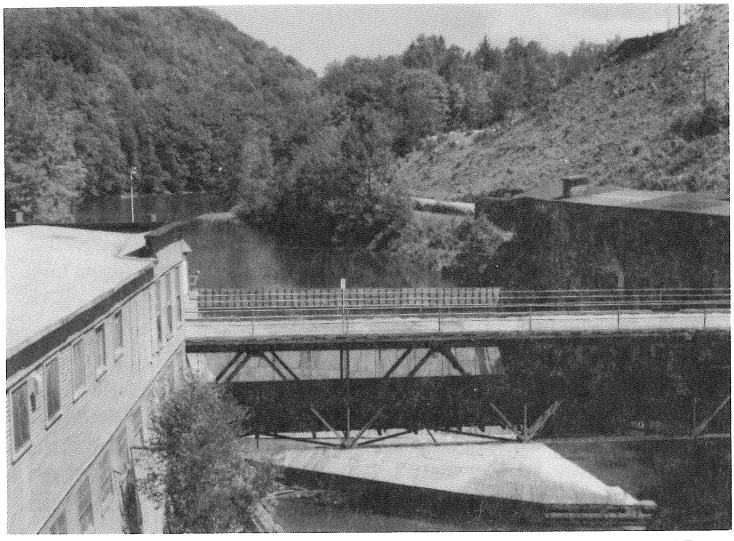


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Rowe/Monroe Bridge and NEPCo. No. 5 Dam
Scheduled to be replaced 1990-91

Taken from us by death since our last annual report were Kenneth D. Soule, July 10, 1989, Alton S. Davenport, September 30, 1989 and Sally Ann Alix, November 16, 1989, all of whom will be deeply missed.

Respectfully submitted,

George A. Riggan, Chairman
Ellen L. Foberg
Marion W. Boggs

Board of Assessors

The Board of Assessors in the past years have worked hard to accomplish our steady tax rate. One of our major decisions in the last year, after much research, was to abolish the Home Farm Rule on advisement from our Town Council and Franklin County Assessors Consultant.

In the upcoming year we are facing the FY 1991 reevaluation. Due to the new by-law changes our land values will change. All vacant lots will be valued as unbuildable until such time as a perk test has proven otherwise. Our sales report also shows from January 1987 a slight increase in property values.

Our future plan is to computerize our office to keep everything within the house including our tax billing.

The Board again wants to emphasize to the property owners we are available at meetings twice a month and the Assessors' Clerk is in every Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 unless otherwise posted.

Robert Kenney, Chairman
Fred Lehr

1989 Rowe Property Transfers

Patten Corporation Northeast of Stamford, VT to **Daniel F. Lowell** of Campville Road, Northfield, CT, County Road, $15,900.
Kenneth Barber and **Rene M. H. Barber,** a/k/a/ **Rene M. H. Barber** of 60 Abbe Road, East Windsor, CT to **Todd C. Garon** of Windsor Locks, CT, County Rd., $6,000.
Geofrey Billiel and Beverly A. Billiel of Rowe to **Bernard A. Zaklukiewicz and Joanne R. Zaklukiewicz** of Timms Hill Rd., Haddam, CT, Leshure Rd., $119,000.
Leon B. Shippee of Rowe to **Martha L. Caron** of Fort Eustis, Virginia, Zoar Rd., $1.
Leon B. Shippee and Anna M. Shippee of Rowe to **Leon B. Shippee, Jr.** of West Springfield, MA, Davis Mine Rd. $1.
Edward F. Galvin, Jr. and Margaret Ann Galvin of Rowe to **Margaret Ann Galvin** of Rowe, Middletown Hill Rd., No Consideration.
William J. Boullie and Anna T. Boullie of Charlemont to **Town of Rowe**, Pond Rd., $35,000.
Elsie G. Mayer of Shelburne Falls, **Steve E. Diller and Laura L. Diller** of Plainfield, MA $25,000.
Ellen L. Foberg of Hazelton Rd., **Martha L. Babcock** of Troy, Michigan, **Elizabeth B. Adams** of Newington, CT, **Miriam E. Wilkerson**, of Westbrook, CT to **Howard E. Swenson and Virginia M. Swenson** of Attleboro, MA, Zoar Rd., $1.
Paul A. Brautigam of Danbury, CT to **Laurie A. Brautigam** of Danbury, CT, Lot No. 4F, Cyrus Stage, $1.
Virginia Pearl Jurentkuff of Rowe to **Karl E. Jurentkuff, Jr. and Virginia Pearl Jurentkuff**, of Rowe, Newell Cross Rd., $1.
Richard E. Hicks of Charlemont, **Helen A. Vight**, of Buckland, and **Walter W. Hicks** of Charlemont to **Edwin P. Roudenauer and Sandra Roudenauer** of Wayland, MA, Potter Rd., $25,000.
Bernard W. Anderson of Cambridge, Ma, to **Joyce G. Anderson** of Northampton, MA, Lot 9C, Leshure Rd., $1.
Joyce G. Anderson of Northampton, MA to **Stanley R. Zielonka** Chicopee, MA, Lot No. 9C, Leshure Rd., $26,000.
Margaret Ann Galvin of Rowe to **Michael M. Posever and Ann-Marie Demetz** of West End Ave., New York, New York, Zoar Rd., $165,000.
Dorothy E. Stanford of Rowe to **Norman H. Stanford**, Golden, Colorado; **Esther S. Davis**, Goodview, VA; **Janice E. Delmolino**, Cheshire, MA; **Shirley Hudson**, Hinsdale, NH; **James R. Streeter**, Shelburne Falls, MA; and **Glenda K. Yagodzinski**, Shelburne Falls, MA, Hazelton Rd., $1.

Vaughn M. Tower and Robin A. Tower f/k/a/ Robert A. Manz of Leshure Rd., to **Daniel R. Phelps, Jr. and Mary Jo A. Phelps** of Leshure Rd., Leshure Rd., $44,000.
Patten Corporation, Stamford, VT, from **James J. Moriarty**, unknown address, to **Patten Realty Corporation,** Stamford, VT, County Rd., $12,801.
Robert L. Taylor of Andover, MA, to **Richard E. Taylor and Suzanne S. Taylor** of Petri Rd., Petri Rd., $115,000.

Respectfully submitted,

Aristia F. Veber
Assessors' Clerk

Chart of Accounts - Fiscal Year 1989

Account Name	Appropriation/ Balance Forward	Transfers/ Refunds	Expended	Balance
TOWN COUNSEL	4000.00	1078.12	5078.12	0.00
SELECTMEN SALARY	3900.00		3900.00	0.00
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	16000.00	794.21	16759.10	35.11
MISC. OFFICERS PAY	900.00		900.00	0.00
TOWN OFFICERS EXPENSES	2000.00	2.53	704.63	1297.90
SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT	18000.00		17980.49	19.51
ACCOUNTING OFFICER SALARY	19080.00		19080.00	0.00
ASSIST. CLERK & ACCT. OFFICER	500.00		73.50	426.50
ASSESSORS SALARY	2100.00		1586.29	513.71
ASSESSORS CLERK SALARY	2200.00		2200.00	0.00
ASSESSORS OPERATION	1500.00		594.38	905.62
ASSESSORS MAPPING	600.00		0.00	600.00
ASSESSORS REVALUATION	2000.00		0.00	2000.00
TREASURERS SALARY	3400.00		3400.00	0.00
ASSIST. TREASURER PAY	400.00	283.37	325.33	358.04
TAX COLLECTORS SALARY	3300.00		3300.00	0.00
TOWN CLERKS SALARY	3050.00		3000.00	50.00
BALLOT CLERKS AND TELLERS	1000.00		898.20	101.80
REGISTRARS PAY	420.00		420.00	0.00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION OPERATION	200.00		30.00	170.00

PLANNING BOARD OPERATION	500.00		18.90	481.10
GOAL POST	7700.00		7700.00	0.00
CHAPTER 199 (ACTS OF 1987)	14790.00		14790.00	0.00
HIGHWAY WAGES	131000.00		127847.11	3152.89
SICK LEAVE - HIGHWAY	4000.00		2601.48	1398.52
MACHINE MAINTENANCE	16000.00		15955.30	44.70
FUEL OIL, ELECTRICITY, ETC.	6000.00		3296.09	2703.91
GAS FOR TOWN VEHICLES	12000.00		10760.36	1239.64
GENERAL MAINTENANCE	15000.00		14984.91	15.09
BRIDGES & GUARD RAILS	5000.00		5000.00	0.00
GENERAL DRAINAGE	10000.00		9976.51	23.49
ROAD SURFACE MAINTENANCE	12000.00		11926.05	73.95
ROADSIDE MAINTENANCE	3000.00		2979.05	20.75
TYPE "I" PAVING	35800.00		35800.00	0.00
STONE HILL ROAD RECONSTRUCTION	4651.07		1506.00	3145.07
TOWN GARAGE MAINTENANCE	2200.00		657.50	1542.50
NEW TRUCK	10000.00		1635.00	8365.00
SAND/SALT SHED	40000.00		13925.08	26074.97
ROWE/MONROE BRIDGE ENG/REPAIR	15975.00		956.03	15018.97
JOE KING HILL ENGINEERING	15000.00		0.00	15000.00
DELL ROAD RECONSTRUCTION	2000.00		2000.00	0.00
NEW PICK-UPS & PLOW	7400.00		7400.00	0.00
WINTER ROADS	33548.34		33548.34	0.00
STREET LIGHTING	4000.00		3284.33	715.67
SCHOOL COMMITTEE SALARY	2100.00		2100.00	0.00
ROWE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	554906.00	7203.90	545498.91	16610.99
SCHOOL SALARY ENCUMBRANCE	22536.78		22536.78	0.00
FRANKLIN COUNTY TECH CAP.	15313.00		15313.00	0.00

Account Name	Appropriation/ Balance Forward	Transfers/ Refunds	Expended	Balance
MOHAWK ASBESTOS REMOVAL	25540.55		1479.42	24061.13
REGIONAL SCHOOL STUDY EXPENSE	2500.00		0.00	2500.00
LIBRARIANS SALARY	9010.00		9010.00	0.00
LIBRARY WAGES	3504.00		3170.00	334.00
LIBRARY OPERATION	9008.50		8796.33	212.17
VETERANS ADMIN. SALARY	300.00		300.00	0.00
VETERANS ADMIN. OPERATION	300.00		178.20	121.80
VETERANS BENEFITS	500.00		0.00	500.00
CEMETERY MAINTENANCE	3000.00		2927.42	72.58
POLICE CHIEF SALARY	2000.00		2000.00	0.00
POLICE OFFICERS PAY	2000.00		1092.00	908.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATION	2700.00		2266.08	433.92
FIRE CHIEF SALARY	1200.00		1200.00	0.00
FIRE OFFICERS SALARY	3600.00		3600.00	0.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATION	23370.00	371.34	23741.34	0.00
FIRE STATION MODIFICATION	6542.69		6542.69	0.00
EMERGENCY CENTRAL DISPATCH	5000.00		2548.57	2541.43
FUTURE TRUCK PURCHASE	20000.00		0.00	20000.00
BUILDING INSPECTORS FEES	3600.00		3568.99	31.01
PLUMBING INSPECTORS SALARY	700.00		700.00	0.00
ELECTRICAL INSPECTORS SALARY	700.00		700.00	0.00
CIVIL DEFENSE OPERATION	1200.00		399.83	800.17
FOREST WARDENS SALARY	200.00		200.00	0.00
FOREST FIRE CONTROL	2500.00		2500.00	0.00

DUTCH ELM DISEASE	600.00		0.00	600.00
INSECT PEST CONTROL	60.00		0.00	60.00
AMBULANCE SERVICE	2000.00		2000.00	0.00
EMT COORDINATOR SALARY	400.00		400.00	0.00
EMT OPERATION	1100.00		822.00	278.00
EMT EQUIPMENT	600.00		339.60	260.40
HAZARDOUS MATERIAL CONTROL	500.00		0.00	500.00
REFUSE GARDEN OPERATION	30000.00	7500.00	33636.85	3863.15
SANITARIANS FEES	1500.00		1463.00	37.00
BOARD OF HEALTH OPERATION	1500.00		538.12	961.88
SOLID WASTE ADMINISTRATION	200.00		200.00	0.00
HEALTH SERVICE WAGES	14350.00		14350.00	0.00
HEALTH SERVICE OPERATION	600.00		600.00	0.00
BANK CHARGES/LOAN INTEREST	4000.00		471.95	3528.05
BONDING & INSURANCE	65000.00		53033.73	11966.27
MNCPL CNTR CUSTODIANS WAGE	1200.00		787.50	412.50
MNCPL CNTR OPRTN & MAINT.	3000.00	2601.00	5153.95	447.71
MNCPL CNTR FUEL OIL	2000.00		1861.09	138.91
GROUNDS MAINT.-CONTRACTED	2500.00		2500.00	0.00
BEAUTIFICATION	270.49		225.49	45.00
TOWN HALL PAINTING	14850.00	8050.00	0.00	6800.00
TOWN HALL OFFICE EQUIP.	2000.00	1510.36	3427.00	83.36
TOWN HALL EXPANSION	520815.41		356439.57	164375.84
CALL TRUST LAND	600.00		0.00	600.00
OLD HOME DAY	6000.00		5320.49	679.51
PARK WAGES	11343.00		10905.02	437.98
PARK OPERATION	5675.00		5671.35	3.65

Account Name	Appropriation/ Balance Forward	Transfers/ Refunds	Expended	Balance
BROWNING BENCH REPAIRS	10704.00		0.00	10704.00
PELHAM LAKE DREDGING	88895.19		84528.38	4366.81
BOULLIE LAND PURCHASE	35000.00		35000.00	0.00
COUNTY RETIREMENT	33590.00		33590.00	0.00
STATE RETIREMENT	2000.00		954.90	1045.10
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	500.00		0.00	500.00
GROUP INSURANCE	45000.00	14067.81	54036.66	31.15
RESERVE FUND	20000.00	12477.18	0.00	7522.82

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa S. Quinn
Accounting Officer

Town of Rowe Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 1989

A S S E T S

	CASH:		
1010.100000	General Cash	1078129.34	
1010.200000	Revenue Sharing Cash	0.00	
	TOTAL CASH		1078129.34
	PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES		
1210.411087	Personal Prop Taxes F1987	0.00	
1210.411088	Personal Prop Taxes F1988	0.00	
1210.411089	Personal Prop Taxes F1989	34.03	
	TOTAL PERSONAL PROP TAXES		34.03
	REAL ESTATE TAXES		
1220.412087	Real Estate Taxes F1987	0.00	
1220.412088	Real Estate Taxes F1988	0.00	
1220.412089	Real Estate Taxes F1989	1999.16	
	TOTAL REAL ESTATE TAXES		1999.16
	OVERLAYS RES FOR ABATE		
1230.870000	OVERLAY F1987	0.00	
1230.880000	OVERLAY F1988	0.00	
1230.890000	OVERLAY F1989	-2033.19	
	TOT OVERLAYS RES FOR ABAT		-2033.19
1240.414200	Tax Titles		590.62
1250.414200	Acct. Receivable Chapt.15		29360.00
	MOTOR VEHCILE EX TAXES:		
1300.415087	Motor Vehicle Ex F1987	0.00	
1300.415088	Motor Vehicle Ex F1988	36.56	
1300.415089	Motor Vehicle Ex F1989	950.02	
	TOT MOTOR VEHICLE EX		986.58
1460.130000	School Lunch		3287.94
1461.134600	State Aid to Highways		0.00
1462.134800	County Dog Refund		-250.27
1463.134600	State Aid to Library		-1250.00
1463.134700	Library MEG Grant		-13.97
1464.134800	Cemetery Sale of Lots		-1650.00
1465.134600	Elections - State		0.00
1466.134600	Arts Lottery Grant		-1109.07
1467.134600	Council on Aging - State		0.00
1468.134800	County Dog (Officers Exp)		0.00
1470.134800	Forest Cutting Bond Fund		-1200.00
1480.134800	Police Dept Revolving Fnd		0.00
1481.134800	Bid Deposits		0.00
1482.134800	Sanitary Licenses		0.00
1620.130000	Revenue Sharing		0.00
1680.000000	Goal Post Gift Acct.		-1336.64
1681.000000	Pelham Lake Rec. Fund		0.00
1682.000000	School Band		-394.22

1684.000000	Cemetery Perpetual Care		-530.51
1686.000000	Library Trust Fund		-570.40
1688.000000	School Trust Fund		-43.78
1690.000000	Due frm Stabilization		0.00
1910.000000	Estimated Receipts		0.00
	TOTAL ASSETS		1104005.62
	L I A B I L I T I E S		
	WARRANTS PAYABLE:		
2012.000000	Warrants Payable	0.00	
2014.000000	Rev. Shar. Warrants Paybl	0.00	
	TOTAL WARRANTS PAYABLE		0.00
	AGENCY:		
2120.000000	Withholding-Federal Tax	533.10	
2130.000000	State Withholding	85.43	
2140.000000	Retirement	-44.81	
2150.000000	Group Insurance	322.90	
2160.000000	IRA Withholdings	0.00	
2170.000000	Dog Licenses	624.35	
2180.000000	Medicare Tax	0.00	
	TOTAL AGENCY		1520.97
2420.134600	Chapter I		-14.10
2421.134600	School Improvement Grant		2.50
2423.134600	Professional Dev. Grant		0.00
2425.134600	Horace Mann Grant		0.00
2426.134600	School Roof Ins Reimburse		0.00
2427.134600	Chapter 188 - Gifted		0.00
2428.134600	Title 2		0.00
2429.134600	CII Grant		0.00
2430.134600	Ed. Tech.		0.00
	OVER-UNDER ESTIMATES:		
2440.562100	County Tax	0.00	
2440.563200	Audit Municipal Accounts	0.00	
2440.563400	Motor Vehicle Ex. Bills	0.00	
2440.564000	Air Pollution Control	0.00	
	TOT. OVER-UNDER ESTIMATES		0.00
2622.000000	Tax Title Revenue		590.62
2630.000000	Motor Vehicle Excise Rev		986.98
2640.000000	Deferred Rev. Chapt. 15		29360.00
2670.000000	Aid to Highway Revenue		0.00
	TEMPORARY LOANS:		
2710.000000	Temporary Loan-Revenue	0.00	
2730.000000	Temporary Loan-Highway	0.00	
	TOTAL TEMPORARY LOANS		0.00
	APPROP. CONTROL		
2910.010000	Approp. Control	0.00	
2910.020000	Rev Shar Approp Control	0.00	
	TOTAL APPROP. CONTROL		0.00

3130.000000	Overlay Surplus		0.00
3199.890000	Revenue Fiscal 1989		0.00

3200.000000	Surplus Revenue		620252.53
3200.100000	Free Cash		0.00
	APPROPRIATION BALANCES:		
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
10111.000000	Town Counsel	0.00	
10111.050000	Town Counsel Encumberance	2247.90	
10122.000000	Selectmens Salaries	0.00	
10129.000000	General Administration	0.00	
10129.020000	Misc. Officers Pay	0.00	
10129.030000	Town Officers Expenses	0.00	
10129.040000	Printing Town Reports	0.00	
10129.060000	Summer Youth Emp. & Wages	0.00	
10135.000000	Accounting Officers Salry	0.00	
10135.010000	Asst Clerk & Acct Off Sal	0.00	
10141.000000	Assessors Salaries	0.00	
10141.010000	Assessors Clerks' Salary	0.00	
10141.020000	Assessors Operation	0.00	
10141.030000	Assessors Mapping Ser.	0.00	
10142.000000	Assessors Revaluation	0.00	
10145.000000	Treasurer Salary	0.00	
10145.010000	Assist. Treasurer Pay	0.00	
10146.000000	Tax Collectors Salary	0.00	
10161.000000	Town Clerks Salary	0.00	
10162.000000	Election Worker Expenses	0.00	
10163.000000	Registrars Pay	0.00	
10171.000000	Conservation Comm. Opr.	0.00	
10175.000000	Planning Board Operation	0.00	
10175.020000	Planning Bd. - Goal Post	0.00	

	TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNEMENT	2247.90	
	HIGHWAYS:		
20132.130000	Flood Damage Repair	55116.91	
20134.130000	Chapter 811 (Bridge Acct)	0.00	
20135.130000	Chapter 199 Acts of 1987	0.00	
20136.130000	Chapter 15 Acts of 1988	29360.00	
20422.000000	Highway - Wages	0.00	
20422.010000	Highway - Sick Leave	0.00	
20422.020000	Highway - Machinery Maint	0.00	
20422.030000	Hwy - Fuel Oil, Elec. Etc	0.00	
20422.040000	Hwy-Fuel for Town Vehcls	0.00	
20422.050000	Hwy - General Maint.	0.00	
20422.060000	Hwy - Bridges & Grd Rails	0.00	
20422.070000	Hwy - General Drainage	0.00	
20422.080000	Hwy - Rd Surface Maint	0.00	
20422.090000	Hwy - Roadside Maint.	0.00	
20422.100000	Hwy - Type "I" Paving	0.00	
20422.110000	Stone Hill Rd. Reconst.	0.00	
20422.130000	Brdgs & Grd Rail Encumber	3145.07	
20422.140000	Hwy - Town Garage Maint	2042.50	
20422.150000	Hwy - New Truck	0.00	
20422.170000	Sand Storage Facility	8365.00	
20422.190000	Rowe-Monroe Brdg Eng/Repr	26074.92	
20422.230000	Joe King Hill Eng. Study	0.00	
20422.250000	Dell Road Reconstruction	0.00	
20422.260000	New Pickup Trucks & Plow	0.00	
20423.000000	Hwy - Winter Roads	0.00	
20424.000000	Street Lighting	0.00	
		0.00	
	TOTAL HIGHWAYS	---	
		124104.40	

	SCHOOLS & LIBRARIES	
30000.010000	Schl Committee Salaries	0.00
30000.020000	Rowe Elementary School	0.00
30000.030000	Rowe Schl Salary Encmbrnc	20062.28
30000.050000	Franklin Cnty Tech Captl.	0.00
30000.060000	Rowe Encumbered Operation	56.12
30000.100000	Mohawk Handicapped Modif	24061.13
30000.110000	Regional Schl Stdy Expens	2500.00
30610.000000	Librarians Salary	0.00
30610.010000	Library Wages	0.00
30610.020000	Library Operation	0.00
	TOTAL SCHOOLS & LIBRARIES	46679.53
	VETERANS:	
40543.000000	Veterans Adm. Salary	0.00
40543.010000	Veterans Adm. Operation	0.00
40543.020000	Veterans Benefits	0.00
	TOTAL VETERANS	0.00
	CEMETERIES:	
50491.000000	Cemetery Maintenance	0.00
50491.010000	Cemetery Revenue	0.00
	TOTAL CEMETERIES	0.00
	PROTCTN OF PRSONS & PROP	
60210.000000	Police Chiefs Salary	0.00
60210.030000	Police Officers Salaries	0.00
60210.050000	Police Dept Operation	0.00
60220.000000	Fire Chiefs Salary	0.00
60220.010000	Fire Officers Salaries	0.00
60220.020000	Fire Dept Operation	0.00
60220.040000	Fire Station Modification	0.00
60220.050000	Emerg Central Dispatch	0.00
60220.130000	Future Truck Purchase	40000.00
60241.000000	Building Inspectors Fees	0.00
60243.000000	Plumbing Insp. Salary	0.00
60245.000000	Electrical Insp. Salary	0.00
60291.010000	Civil Defense Operation	0.00
60294.000000	Forest Wardens Salary	0.00
60294.010000	Forest Fire Control	0.00
60294.020000	Dutch Elm Disease	0.00
60294.030000	Insect Pest Control	0.00
	TOT. PROTEC. PER. & PROP.	40000.00
	HEALTH & SANITATION	
70231.000000	Ambulance Service	0.00
70231.010000	New Ambulance	0.00
70232.000000	EMT Coordinators Salary	0.00
70232.010000	EMT Operation	0.00
70232.020000	EMT Equipment	0.00
70431.000000	Hazardous Material Contrl	0.00
70433.000000	Refuse Garden Operation	0.00
70433.020000	Sanitarians Fees	0.00
70433.030000	Solid Waste Admin	0.00
70433.040000	Dump Fence & Gate	3995.00
70433.050000	Dump Attendant Wage	1700.00
70510.000000	Brd of Health Operation	0.00
70519.020000	Well Contamination	0.00
70522.000000	Health Services Wages	0.00
70522.010000	Health Services Operation	0.00
	TOTAL HEALTH & SANITATION	5695.00

	DEBT & INTEREST		
80752.000000	Bank Chgs & Loan Interest	0.00	
	TOTAL DEBT & INTEREST	0.00	
	UNCLASSIFIED:		
90085.000000	Stabilization	0.00	
90192.000000	Bonding & Insurance	0.00	
90192.010000	Mncpl Cntr Custodian Wage	0.00	
90192.020000	Mncpl Cntr Oprtn & Maint.	0.00	
90192.040000	Mncpl Center Fuel Oil	0.00	
90192.050000	Grounds Maint-Contracted	0.00	
90192.060000	Beautification	0.00	
90192.080000	Town Hall Painting	6800.00	
90192.100000	Town Hall Office Equip.	0.00	
90192.160000	Town Hall Expansion	164375.84	
90192.200000	Call Trust Land	0.00	
90192.240000	Town Hall Repairs	11200.00	
90192.260000	Town Hall Exp. Contingncy	17464.45	
90195.000000	Microfilming Town Records	0.00	
90630.040000	Old Home Day	0.00	
90650.000000	Park Wages	0.00	
90650.020000	Park Operation	0.00	
90650.030000	Browning Bench Repairs	10704.00	
90650.040000	Pelham Lake Dredging	0.00	
90650.050000	Pelham Lk Dredging Eng.	0.00	
90650.060000	Pelham Lk Dam Gate Repair	2035.00	
90650.080000	Boullie Land Purchase	0.00	
90911.000000	County Retirement	0.00	
90911.010000	Retirement-Randolf	0.00	
90913.000000	Unemployment Insurance	0.00	
90914.000000	Group Insurance	0.00	
90920.000000	Stabilization Approp.	0.00	
95781.000000	Reserve Fund	20000.00	
	TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED	232579.29	
	General Approp Balances	0.00	
	REVENUE SHARING		
200061.000000	County Retirement	0.00	
	Rev Sharing Approp Bal.	0.00	
	TOTAL APPROPRIATION BAL.		451306.12
	TOTAL LIABILITIES		1104005.62

Animal Inspector

The animals of Rowe are content and well cared for. There are:

Beef cows	29
Horses	22
Ponies	10
Goats	14
Sheep	2
Pig	1

There are also a few rabbits and not enough poultry to bother Boston with. There are no dairy cows in Rowe this year, but it is worth mentioning that most of the goats in the town are milk producers.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Lively
Inspector of Animals

Arts Council Report

1989

The Rowe Arts Council had an excellent year. Our members included Helen Shields (Membership), Margaret Woodside (Secretary), Regina O'Toole (Finance), Polly MacLean (PASS), Russ Jolly (Technical Advisor) and Prudence Berry (Chair). There were two Massachusetts Arts Lottery Council approval of funds cycles, one in Spring and one in Autumn, and we were pleased to use both opportunities to provide the Town of Rowe with artistic events, culture and equipment.

In the Spring of 1989, this council put together a proposal to buy easily portable but effective sound equipment for the Town of Rowe to be used specifically for arts and humanities events. By the able efforts of Russ Jolly, the funds were approved and the equipment was purchased. It is available by permission, and will be stored at the Town Hall with easily followed instructions written by Russ.

In the Autumn of 1989, the following events were approved for funding:

Pat & Tex LaMountain - A concert of Western Mass. song-writers to be held on the Town Green by the Gazebo in warm weather.

The Pioneer Valley Folklore Society will give us an old-fashioned community house party, also to be held in warm weather.

PASS funds for a Concert for Young People at U. Mass attended on November 13, 1989.

We continue to make applications for arts grants available at the Town Hall. Application deadlines are usually April 1 and October 1 for the respective season. We are looking for new people to be members of the Arts Council and will submit nominations to the Board of Selectmen after the Annual Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Prudence Berry, Chair



PHOTO: Richard Tower

New Stained Glass Window
Rowe Community Church - April 1989

Beautification

Grounds Maintenance

Directed by William Foster: 6/13/88 - 6/27/89

Maintenance of Brittingham and Ford Hill Islands

Weeding of islands, flower bed and planter clean up, bark mulch applied and planting one tree at Rowe Elementary School.

Total: $1153.00

Beautification

Directed by Beautification committee: 10/25/88 - 5/30/89

Reconstruction of Brittingham Hill and Ford Hill Islands

Potter and Ford Hill Road Islands: Transplant existing lilies to historic sites in Rowe. Rototill and prepared soil for grass seed, tree and shrubs planted, bark mulch applied.

Zoar and Brittingham Hill Road Island: Loam applied, soil prepared and seeded. Bulbs planted and bark mulch applied.

Total $1347.00

Responsibility for lighting the Christmas tree on the Town Green was delegated to the Beautification Committee by the Board of Selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Danek, Chairman

Building Inspector

During the year 1989 to 1990, 35 permits were issued:

New homes	3
New buildings or additions	15
Swimming pools	1
Remodeling	10
Replacement burnt building	1
Demolition	1
Signs	1
Stoves	3

In addition 75 Certificates of Inspection were issued. These represent the semi-annual inspection of public buildings as mandated by the Commonwealth.

Respectfully submitted,

William Foster
Building Inspector

Cemetery Committee

The main accomplishment for the year was the layout of the East Cemetery new extension. This is a very nice addition with sixty-four two grave lots. The survey work is complete and the lot number markers are ordered and will be placed this spring. Some drainage work has to be done and the road graveled to make easy access. This work took priority over the picket fence replacement that we intended to do. The picket fence will be repaired but other work should be done first. There are broken grave stones to be repaired and repairs to the rail fences in the West and North Cemeteries. All cemeteries were kept well mowed and trimmed throughout the year.

The committee feels well satisfied with the year's work and hopes to complete several jobs this summer.

Respectfully submitted,

William Brown
James Williams
Harold Shumway
Cemetery Committee

Office of Civil Defense

To: The Honorable Board of Selectmen

The past few months have been a learning process as well as a busy period of accomplishments.

The most time-consuming areas of concern are the updating of the S.N.I.P. survey and the completion of a hazardous materials transportation survey and how a nuclear accident could affect the Town of Rowe.

However, Civil Defense is much more than concerns and readiness for an accident at the plant. Most people here have reserves of food in case of severe weather as well as a secondary means of heating their homes. If every resident had a fire extinguisher and a garden hose installed in the home, it could be used by the resident or a neighbor to contain a fire until the Fire Department arrives. Every home should have smoke detectors and security alarms should be considered.

To date, more than 75 residents returned the (S.N.I.P.) Special Needs I.D. program survey and 44 residents have volunteered to help their neighbors in case of emergency. Only 12 residents are recorded as needing special assistance in an emergency.

The Radiological Emergency Response Plan is in the process of being updated and it should be ready for review by the Board of Selectmen and the Mass. Civil Defense Agency, in the spring.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen and especially Mrs. Quinn for all the help offered to complete recent projects.

Respectfully submitted,

James E. O'Brien

Special Needs I.D. Program (SNIP) Data

Total # of mailings	307
Total population	357(+/-)
# of responses to date	79
Special needs individuals	6
Volunteers	41
Responses by TDD or phone	0
# of responses of S.N.I. on file	2-3
# of new S.N.I.	3-4
Total # of S.N.I. on file after SNIP	12

Types of needs include:

Hearing impaired	1
Blind (+/-)	1
Wheelchairs	2
Frail & elderly (probably many)	none reported
Transportation	6
Medical assistance, special med./equip.	2

1. Were all resources/needs matched (+/-) yes
2. Was it necessary to contact OHA/resources no

COMMENT: Periodic communication with the Visiting Nurse will keep this information up-to-date.

I do not have past data available to me, and all data is not constant, due to deaths and moving in/out of town; numbers vary from week to week; monthly, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

James E. O'Brien

Conservation Commission

During the past calendar year no major projects coming under our protection were started. The Commission held a number of preliminary meetings with representatives from New England Power Company. These meetings dealt with the proposed replacement of No. 5 station dam on the Deerfield River. This will become a 1990 project for the commission.

Copies of several forest cutting plans were received and reviewed by the Commission. One of these plans required that a skidder bridge be used to cross Pelham Brook with logs. The Commission felt that the use of a bridge in this instance would better protect the brook and natural resources.

There was no other activity for the calendar year 1989. The commission again welcomes townspeople's comments and suggestions to help us better protect our natural resources.

Respectfully submitted,

James Taylor, Chairman
Mitchell Soviecke
Richard Quinn
Martha Rice

Dog Officer

Number of stray dogs found in Rowe and returned to owners - 6

Number of stray dogs found and kept until placed in a home - 2

Number of complaints received on harrasing dogs - 3

Number of phone calls on lost dogs - 11

1 Phone call from Town Clerk in New York who had found a Rowe dog.

Townspeople are reminded to purchase their 1990 dog license from the Town Clerk. 1989 dog licenses expire March 31, 1990. License fees are as follows:

Male dog	$3.00
Female dog	$6.00
Spayed female	$3.00

Many thanks to the Townspeople for their cooperation and help throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard Brown, Jr.
Dog Officer

Electrical Inspector

There were twenty-eight wiring permits issued for the year 1990.

I would like to remind everyone that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts requires a wiring permit for the installation of wiring and electrical equipment. These installations have to meet the Massachusetts General Code.

Respectfully submitted,

John F. Rossi
Inspector of Wires

Emergency Medical Service

The new Charlemont Ambulance was delivered in April 1989, and was on display at the school on Old Home Day. The ambulance was purchased jointly by the towns of Charlemont, Heath, Hawley and Rowe. Rowe contributed $30,000 towards the cost.

There were four EMT's serving the Town of Rowe in 1989: Deborah Katz, Karen Soviecke, Martha Taylor and Faith Loomis. Presently we have only two EMT's who have renewed their certification, Martha Taylor and Faith Loomis. We have one town resident who is currently taking the Basic EMT Program being offered by Franklin Medical Center. It is my understanding that FMC will be offering this course again. Expenses incurred in training and certification are reimbursed by the Town of Rowe to anyone who is willing to become a much needed volunteer for the Town.

Many thanks to the Rowe Fire Department and the Police Department for responding to calls and providing additional help.

Respectfully submitted,

Faith Loomis, EMT Coordinator



PHOTO: Richard Tower

New Charlemont Ambulance - Spring 1989

Finance Committee

The 1989 town elections in May signified the end of 10 years of dedicated service by its chairman, Rick Williams. During his long tenure, Rick was directly responsible for many accomplishments relative to town financial business, but probably his most outstanding accomplishment was to elevate the role of Finance Committee in town affairs. The once rubber-stamp committee now is frequently consulted and its recommendations requested by most town departments. Even though no longer a member, Rick has provided assistance whenever requested by the existing committee. The Rowe Finance Committee would not be what it is today if it were not for Rick's years of hard work. Hopefully we can continue to uphold the standards he established for the Committee.

Sue Vadeboncoeur was elected to the Committee in May to fill Rick's vacant spot. Mary Ann Corarito resigned in September for personal reasons. The Committee would like to thank Mary Ann for her dedicated service to the Committee. Jim Pruitt was appointed by the Selectmen to fill Mary Ann's position. The Finance Committee is once again at its full complement of five members.

The Finance Committee held meetings on the first Tuesday of each month to discuss and review warrant for the operation of the various town departments. The status of accounts was monitored to ensure that budgets voted at town meetings were sufficient. When necessary, to cover unforeseen over-expenditures, Reserve Fund transfer requests were considered for approval.

The FY 90 budget was fairly straightforward with only one large special project, that being the town hall furniture for approximately $85,000.

The FY 91 budget process is in progress and going well.

In the last several years, because of large capital projects, the Stabilization Fund, the town's savings account, had been depleted from approximately $750,000 in FY 1985 to its present level of $85,000. To ensure this fund is rebuilt, to help offset costs of future capital projects, $200,000 from Free Cash was transferred to Stabilization during FY 90. For FY 91 the Finance Committee is suggesting that:

1. An appropriation from taxation be made to Stabilization
2. Another transfer from Certified Free Cash be made to Stabilization

Some other issues the Finance Committee is currently addressing are:

1. Improvements to the budget process
2. Developing, along with the Selectmen, salary policy guidelines for town employees
3. Creating financial status reports to be used for planning purposes for future projects

Included in this report is a table of important town financial statistics for the last several years.

Respectfully submitted,

William Loomis, Chairman
Robert Reynolds-Gallaghar, V. Chairman
Susan Vadeboncoeur, Secretary
Cynthia Laffond
James Pruitt

FINANCIAL DATA TRENDING
(Finance Committee FY 90)

		FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90
TAX RATE INFORMATION					
TOTAL VALUATION	#	157,652,805	181,369,577	181,592,528	182,021,410
RESIDENTIAL % OF TOTAL VALUATION	#	8.11%	13.29%	13.40%	13.49%
MINIMUM RESIDENTIAL FACTOR	&	100%	65%	62%	62%
RESIDENTIAL % OF TAX LEVY	#	8.11%	8.60%	8.30%	8.40%
TAX RATE	#	8 MILS	4.52/7.32 MILS	4.56/7.79 MILS	4.53/7.73 MILS
APPROPRIATED FUNDS/RECEIPTS					
TOTAL APPROPRIATED	#	1,920,316	2,163,723	2,314,225	1,995,663
1) FROM TAXATION	#	1,261,222	1,260,124	1,335,991	1,328,456
2) FROM FREE CASH	#	169,650	114,894	217,912	283,103
3) FROM STABILIZATION	#	192,000	400,000	200,000	0
4) ESTIMATED RECEIPTS	#	140,850	150,620	202,150	270,300
5) ACTUAL RECEIPTS	#	163,144	227,056	341,172	--
2 1/2 LIMITS					
LEVY CEILING	@	3,941,325	4,534,250	4,539,825	4,550,535
LEVY LIMIT	@	1,361,529	1,398,360	1,435,012	1,473,168
TAX LEVY	#	1,261,222	1,260,124	1,335,991	1,328,456
EXCESS LEVY CAP		100,307	138,236	99,021	144,712
TAX LEVY FIGURE					
1) ANNUAL TOWN MEETING RAISE & APPROPRIATE		1,278,252	1,326,153	1,500,678	1,562,729
2) FINANCE COMMITTEE ESTIMATE		1,252,356	1,229,093	1,418,405	1,432,729
3) ASSESSORS ACTUAL FIGURE	#	1,261,222	1,260,124	1,335,991	1,328,456

	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90
	------FINANCIAL DATA TRENDING (FINANCE COMMITTEE FY 90)------			
TOWN FUNDS AT START OF FISCAL YEAR				
1) CERT FREE CASH	289,189	344,427	528,223	585,546
2) STABILIZATION	501,492	451,492	360,241	85,165

\# = FROM TAX RECAP SHEET
@ = FROM JANUARY LEVY LIMIT MEMO - UPDATED AT END OF YEAR BY RECAP SHEET TO INCLUDE NEW GROWTH
& = MRF = RESIDENTIAL % OF TAX LEVY / RESIDENTIAL % OF TOTAL VALUATION

RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS

(Figures rounded to nearest dollar)

Fiscal Year 1989 (July 1, 1988 through June 30, 1989)

Reserve Fund Appropriated at Annual Town Meeting	$20,000.00
Heatln Service Operation	350.00
Municipal Center Operations	1000.00
Group Insurance	4750.00
Registrar's Pay	70.00
Health Services Wages	40.00
Building Inspector's Fees	600.00
Municipal Center Operations	1000.00
Group Insurance	3300.00
Fire Department Operations	114.06
Park Operations	175.00
Town Counsel	1078.12
Balance Remaining June 30, 1989	$7522.82

Fire Department

From February 1, 1989, to February 1, 1990 the Fire Department responded to thirty-seven calls:

1 Chimney fire
2 Structure fires
2 Brush fires
6 Mutual aid calls
12 Medical Emergencies
2 Fire detection alarms in town buildings
4 Cellars pumped
3 Vehicle accidents
3 Searches for lost persons
2 Trees on power lines

As a result of the Department's chimney cleaning program, nineteen homes' chimneys were cleaned this year. In the upcoming year we would like to complete this program before the beginning of the heating season. This year as in the past, we will clean the chimneys of the elderly and assist able-bodied residents. We will attempt to conduct the cleaning in August and September, before the heating season, so names should be submitted early.

During National Fire Prevention Week in October, a fire prevention program was conducted for the children and staff of the Rowe Elementary School. A film titled "Plan to Get Out Alive" was shown. All children participated in an open discussion about fire prevention and personal safety in fire situations.

The town voted to appropriate additional money towards the purchase of a new attack piece to replace an old engine that is becoming difficult to maintain. The total amount appropriated at the last three annual town meetings is $60,000.00. Additional funding will be needed to purchase the new truck in 1992.

William Reardon and Richard Howe successfully completed a sixteen hour training course in West Barnstable. It included the use of portable fire extinguishers, structure fires and flammable gas fires under actual fire conditions. The course was conducted for the fire brigade at Yankee Atomic Electric Company facility. A successful drill and training session was conducted with Yankee Atomic Electric Company personnel.

The Franklin County Dispatching Center,which we entered two years ago, has provided reliable, effective service throughout the year. The dispatch service is housed in the Franklin Medical Center

in Greenfield, The dispatching center answers our red phone and activates the pagers and plectrons of the towns' firemen, policemen and/or EMTs, as necessary. In the event of an emergency, dial 4961. If anyone would like to have a phone sticker with this emergency number they may be picked up at the fire station or town hall. Please do not call a friend to ask him to come and evaluate the situation, that only delays our response.

The Fire Department is made up completely of volunteers from town. The effectiveness of this organization is determined by the number of individuals it can train and maintain in a state of readiness, and by the condition of its equipment. We welcome anyone who is interested in protecting their own and their neighbors' lives and property from the potentially devastating effects of fire. Not all of the activities required to prepare for and combat a fire involve hands-on fire fighting. There is plenty of other work with which we could use help. Our program of regular monthly training/meetings is announced in the **Goal Post** for each upcoming month. These sessions are approximately one hour in length. This is a small investment of your time when you weigh it against the potential benefit that may be derived from your membership. The officers of the department would like to take this time to thank all members who participate in fire department activities regularly, and ask other members of the town to become involved.

On June 10, 1989, the fire department lost retired fire chief Kenneth "Tony" Soule. Tony was fire chief for fifteen years and a firefighter for many more. He will be missed by everyone who came in contact with him.

Respectfully submitted,

Edwin L. May
Fire Chief

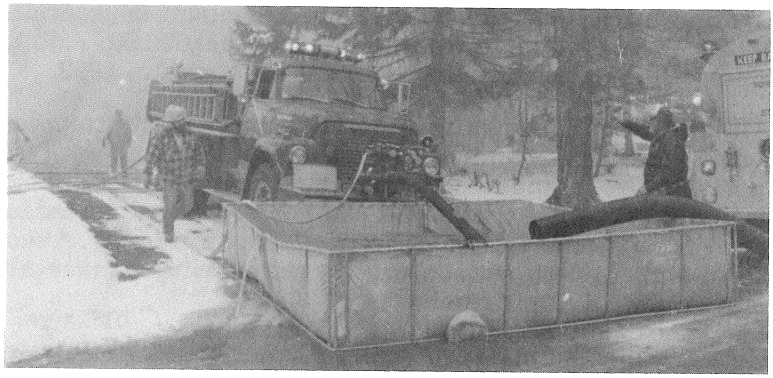


PHOTO: Richard Tower

Volunteer Firemen At Work - November 1989

The Rowe Goal Post

1989 marks the ninth year of this monthly town newspaper in its present "magazine" form and our ninth year as volunteer editor. Created out of the "Goals for Rowe" study in 1976 for the purpose of "the exchange of news between all town departments and all Rowe citizens", it has fulfilled this purpose and grown into a town institution providing not only municipal news but a record of major town events, weather, history, nature, school events and social activities. The *Goal Post* is a way of keeping a small town together in print if not in person and has created an historical record in words and pictures of the last fourteen years.

Our basic change this year has been to better quality and heavier paper which make the publication more of a magazine rather than a throw away newspaper. We are pleased with more cooperation from town departments and now have a monthly report from both the police and fire departments. Our goal is still monthly news from EACH department and board and as always we ask your cooperation in getting this news to us. We would also like to have more calls or notes for "About Town", someone to further cover the student activities and local participation in sports at Mohawk, Tech and The Academy at Charlemont, and just more reporters in general.

I am sorry we have lost the volunteer services of assistant editor Deb Alix who has taken a position at Yankee. She was a great help gathering school and other news as well as her computer and layout work each month and was capable of doing the whole editing job if I wanted to be away. Although not necessary very often, this type of backup is essential and will be more so in the future, and I have not yet found a replacement.

Special thanks to assistant editor Pearl Jurentkuff who takes the early morning drive to the printer in Adams, collects the finished product the next day and directs the folding, collating and mailing. Another recent change has been the commercial folding of the *Goal Post* so that volunteers would only have to collate, stuff and mail. Although volunteers have been very willing to fold, the problem has been the reliability of having enough people show up to do this without prolonging the process into several hours. It finally seemed wise to use funds to fold. Our thanks to all who have helped in the past and to those who will continue with the collating and to Jane Gracy who does the calling of volunteers. Also to Jane our thanks for recording the temperature and weather each day. This makes for an interesting record of weather trends through the years. And to Dick Tower goes our gratitude and appreciation for his great photographs and his willingness to take on assignments.

We have asked the finance committee to hold our budget at the same figure of $7900 for another year. Our number of pages seems to fluctuate from twenty to thirty-six depending on news available and we feel this appropriation should be adequate for another year by using the gift fund for extras. All services by editors (except transportation) are volunteer and the use of computer equipment including the laser printer and copier are donated.

Social news, original poems or feature articles, pictures and especially suggestions are always appreciated. We usually go to press two working days before the last day of the month and news should be submitted two or three days before that although there is always room for something important at the last minute.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy N. Williams

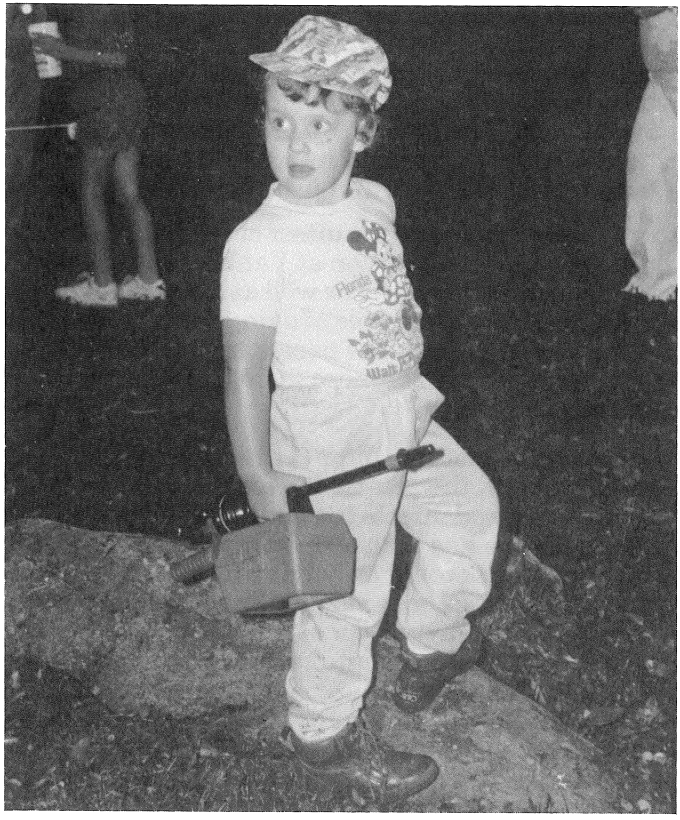


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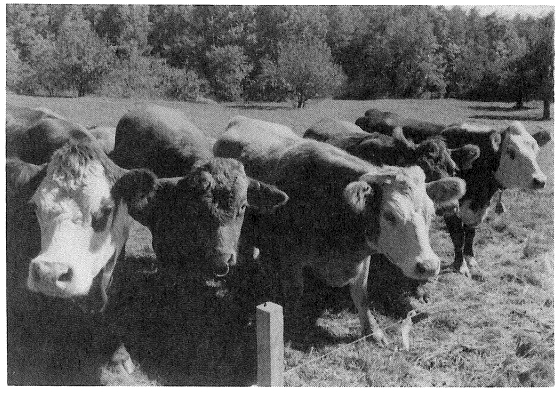


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Board of Health

Testing for radon in air and water was addressed by the Board. Arrangements were made with NITON Corporation of Bedford, MA for Rowe homeowners to purchase kits through the Town at reduced rates. 28 kits were sold. In addition, radon-in-air testing was done at the Rowe Elementary School (including every classroom). All results were far below EPA guidelines. Tests will also be conducted in all other town buildings.

The Board issued the following permits during 1989:

Food Service Establishment	1
Retail Food Establishment	1
Store-Milk	1
Operation of Children's Camp	1
Septage Haulers	3
Sewage Disposal System Installers	3
Sewage Disposal Construction	1
2-year extension for Sewage Disposal System Construction	1
Well Water Test Approval Requisite for Building Permit	1

Inspections/observations performed during 1989:

Percolation Tests	9
Sewage Disposal System	4
Well Contamination	1
Children's Camp	1
Store	1
Restaurant	1

Town-owned public water supplies (municipal center well, school well, Avery fountain, and pitcher pump (in season) at Pelham Lake Park) and the swimming area at the park (in season) were tested for coliform bacteria at regular intervals. Triennial sodium and nitrate tests were done on the municipal center well and Avery fountain. All results were within allowable limits.

A cat and dog rabies clinic and dog licensing clinic (which alternates yearly between Rowe and Heath) was held at the Heath Community Hall. Dr. Robert Sidorsky (veterinarian) was present to administer rabies shots, and Norma Brown (town clerk) sold dog licenses.

Deborah Lively was reappointed Animal Inspector and B.J. Roche and Daniel Wessman were appointed Recycling Coordinators. Special thanks to them for their efforts and services to the town.

Potential stump dump sites were investigated. No progress has been made at this point.

New DEP regulations prohibiting disposal of "white goods" and fluorescent bulbs in landfills (due to the presence of PCB's in components of these items) necessitated the board to contract separately for disposal of these hazardous waste items.

For reasons of public safety an abandoned well left open for many years was filled in by the town crew with the permission of the landowner.

One case of chicken pox and two injuries were reported by a children's camp. The board notified the State Dept. of Public Health of the chicken pox case, as required by law.

As required by law, the underground diesel storage tank at the town garage was pressure tested by a licensed testing firm. No leakage was detected.

The board voted unanimously to sign an endorsement supporting H.6203 "Clean Air Act" that is before the State Legislature.

The board received results of sanitary surveys of two public water supplies (Rowe School and Yankee Atomic Electric Co.) conducted by DEP in October 1989. Both facilities are complying with stated recommendations. It is expected that surveys of all public water supplies in town will eventually be conducted.

Special thanks are extended to our town/school nurse Sharleen Moffatt. She continues her invaluable service to our townspeople and all of the school children with great care, concern, and professionalism.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen L. Foberg, Chairman
George A. Riggan
Marion W. Boggs

Health Agent/Sanitarian

During the year 1989, the following was accomplished with the help of a very active Board of Health:

Nine percolation tests were performed on proposed building lots. Four lots were approved for the installation of a sub-surface sewage disposal system.

Five lots failed for the installation of a sewage system.

Four permits were issued to install or repair a sewage disposal system.

Four certificates of compliance were issued for completed systems.

One investigation was made to determine the existence of a sewage disposal system.

Consultation with the Board was provided as needed during the year.

I wish to thank the Board of Health for the fine cooperation extended to me during 1989.

Respectfully submitted,

John A. Brickett, R.S.
Health Agent/Sanitarian

Rowe Town Library

Outside improvements included the installation and repair of lighting on the front walk and stairway, and the purchase of a park bench. We are currently getting estimates for landscaping and painting.

Inside improvements included the installation of a new furnace, wall and ceiling painting, and new drapes.

Participation in the Hill Town Video Circuit is still working very well with new videos being purchased yearly.

The annual Christmas tree lighting and carol sing was held on the common, our thanks to the Town Crew and the Beautification Committee for stringing lights on the traditional tree. Refreshments were served inside the library.

The library was happy to sponsor the children's Chinese New Year entry in the Rowe Old Home Day Parade.

Martha Rice continues her excellent work as librarian. Evelyn Soule and Alan Bjork continue to serve as library aides. Debbie Lively, is still serving the dual role of custodian and cleaning person.

The Rowe Town Library is open a total of fifteen hours per week: Tuesday afternoon from 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday evening from 6-9 p.m. and Saturday, from 9-5 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine D. Sprague, chairperson
Marion A. Franceschetti, trustee
James W. Lively, trustee

Town/School Nurse

To the twonspeople and the Board of Selectmen of the town of Rowe, I submit my annual report as town/school nurse. Nineteen eighty-nine was a year of further growth in our school population and also in the number of citizens taking advantage of the services of the nurse. At Rowe Elementary School, we are in our final year of the Health and Human Services Grant. As the Health Education Consultant, I have been busy reviewing support materials to the curriculum, aiding teachers in preparing classroom units on various topics on health-related topics, and teaching units at various grade levels in the school. We are currently looking at setting up training time for all who teach health education to give us a more in-depth look into the curriculum which we use. We were once again the recipient of a grant through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Health for a Fluoride Mouthrinse Program. This year we have experienced 84% participation in the program. All other state and federally mandated screening programs have been successfully completed and reported to the appropriate agency. Over the summer, I completed a revision of the health policies and procedures, which was then reviewed by our school physicians, and is currently in place. I am now working with the school nurses in the Mohawk District to put in place a group of Protocols for Nursing Practice. We hope to have these in place before the September 1990 opening of school.

In the town of Rowe, I completed a total of 422 skilled nursing visits this year. In addition to this were numerous telephone calls and our regularly scheduled nursing hours at the town hall which continue to be very well attended. A total of sixty-two people in Rowe took advantage of the annual Influenza Clinic this year. The vaccine was again made available free of charge through a grant with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Although, like any other job, there never seems to be enough hours in a day, I look forward to concentrating my time between the school and the Town of Rowe in 1990. This should allow for maximum benefit to both areas of expertise. Again, thanks to all of you who make my job a rewarding and enjoyable one. I look forward to a new decade of service to you all.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharleen Moffatt, R.N.
School/Town Nurse

Planning Board

The major project for the Planning Board this year was the change in the dimension requirements for the building lots in the residential-agricultural district from two (2) acres to four (4) acres with a corresponding increase in the frontage requirements from two hundred fifty (250) to four hundred (400) feet. A public hearing was held in July and the change was approved by the voters at the Special Town Meeting held in September. The change was submitted to the Attorney General for approval and this was received in December.

The Planning Board is now working on updating the By Law booklet to reflect changes since the printing in April 1987. The Planning Board will also be studying bylaws from other towns to get ideas for beneficial changes to our own regulations. The Board would welcome suggestions from town residents who may have knowledge of good bylaws from elsewhere or ideas of their own to recommend.

Respectfully submitted,

Efford H. Pierce, Chairman
Margalee Riggan
Leonard Laffond
James Taylor
Prudence Berry

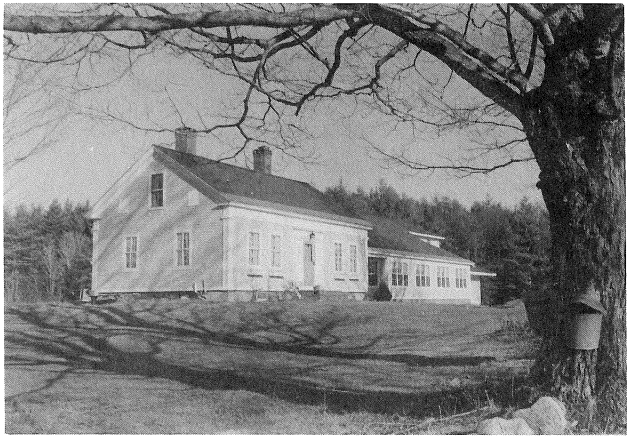


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Ashleys Restaurant, Dell Road
New Commercial Development

Old Home Day Committee

Old Home Day 1989 was a great success. The weather was perfect and everyone seemed to have fun. The events all went off as planned from the fishing derby to the parade to the softball game and the fire works. Everyone who helped out deserves a big round of applause for a job well done.

Budget Appropriation - $9000.00

Expenditures

Item	Amount
Fireworks	$4,000.00
Tent Rental	110.00
Electrical Hookup	81.11
Custodian	130.00
Portable Toilets	160.00
Bus Transportation	200.00
Advertisements	101.90
T-Shirts	1,253.75
Decorations, signs, etc.	125.14
Woodsmen Contest	36.00
Story Tellers	200.00
Bands	575.00
Prizes	302.70
Trophies	73.14
Fish for Derby	300.00
Readsboro Lions	60.00
VFW Shelburne Falls	50.00
VFW Readsboro	50.00
Miscellaneous	30.00
Total	$7,838.74

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Besgen
Margaret Woodside
Fred Lehr

Old Home Day



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Woodmen's Contest



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Great Canoe Race - Pelham Lake

Park Commission

This past summer was a hot one and the park was utilized by many. There were days when it looked like everyone was there. The Park Commission provided swimming lessons again this year. They were well attended. We will be offering tennis lessons again this year. If you are interested in the tennis lessons, don't forget to sign up when offered. Also, they will have to be paid for in full at the same time. Thanks to Karen Soviecke and Gillian MacLean there were tennis lessons for the children.

The Browning Bench Tool factory still hasn't been repaired. It is difficult to persuade a busy contrtactor to undertake a small project.

The picnic area to the left of the beach is finished except for seeding. It will be completed this summer. The basketball court has been hard topped. We have a new boat dock that will be placed adjacent to the new picnic area. It's for the use of the townspeople only. There is an area to the left of the new structure that is being used as a boat launch. We do NOT have a boat launch. So please don't use it when it is wet, it will make ruts. We will be adding sand to the beach again this year. Len Laffond volunteered to assist with the fishing derby. The blocking and then stocking the brook seems to be the better way. The U of M students have completed the wildlife management plan for the park. It's available if anyone is interested.

The Geese are a real problem at the beach during the summer. One thing we can do is, Don't feed them. If you think you have a solution, let us know.

Sibley cabin! as most of you know, no longer exists. We think everyone realized that it needed to come down. To spend tax monies on it would be a waste of resources. We have been talking about the cabin for so long that destroying it seemed the next logical step with burning being the least expensive for the town. We should not have assumed that awareness was complete. A notification and request to all town departments should have been made. It was not and we apologize.

Park rules are the same as preceding years. A pass is needed to enter the Park. They are available from the staff when the Park is open. If you intend to bring a large number of guests to the park, (10 or more) please call Ray Jodoin (4768) so large groups won't conflict with each other and the small staff will be alerted.

We are finding it increasingly difficult to find experienced responsible people to supervise and direct the summer staff. This year we will be accepting applications from adults who would like a 40 hour per week position for the summer.

Last year at this time, in this space, we asked for your ideas on how to improve the park. We didn't receive a response. We need your ideas and your desires, long term planning is a must today.

R. Jodin
L. Laffond
M. Rice
Rowe Park Commission

Plumbing Inspector

Plumbing permits for 1989 were issued to the following:

Arthur Corarito
Wendy Van Aken
Dan Wessman
Wayne Stickney
Thomas Chiofalo
Ron Jette
Jonathan and Joan Miller
James O'Brien

Respectfully submitted,

Peter J. Codogni
Plumbing Inspector

Police Department

Recapitulation

Firearms Identification Cards	1
Pistol Permits	29
Assistance Calls	2
Larceny	1
Breaking & Entering	8
Vandalism	2
Stolen Cars	5
Stolen Cars Recovered	5
Rapes	2
Complaints	29
Complaints (unfounded)	4
Accidents - 1 car	6
Accidents - 2 car	1

Police Officers

Chief Henry J. Dandeneau
John R. Riggan
Karl E. Jurentkuff, Jr.
Dennis M. Annear
Charles H. Bellows

As is evident from the statistics above in 1990 we experienced an alarming increase in some very serious crimes. Most of the criminal activity occurred in the first half of the year and has abated in the second half. It is my hope that this is partially a result of the many hours of time and the diligence of all those who worked to protect our residents.

As you may know we have tested different radar units from some of our neighboring towns. We were pleasantly surprised that less than one third of the vehicles were speeding. Our new unit is on order and should be here soon. Let's hope that everyone will be more aware of their speed and it will not be necessary to use it very often.

We are also in the process of revamping our radio communication system. The radios we have are the original ones purchased when the Franklin County System was first started. They are very tired and no longer meet the needs of today's law enforcement agencies. A system that allows us to communicate with County Dispatch, State Police, West County Police Departments, Civil Defense, Fire and Yankee Security is now needed. Yankee Atomic is helping us with this update and their assistance is greatly appreciated.

I would like to thank all those who helped us protect and assist the residents of Rowe.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry J. Dandeneau
Chief of Police

Summer Youth Employment

The "grasshopper crew" was reduced in size in 1989, as compared to the 1988 summer youth employment program, due to a smaller number of applications. Two supervisors and five crew members performed general maintenance tasks on the roadsides and other areas of the Town from July to September. The crew was composed of the following:

Thomas Danek, Jr., Chief Supervisor
Gillean MacLean, Supervisor

Crew Members:
Michael Johnston
Richard Vega
Sean Loomis
Micah May
Hal Dandeneau

Thanks are due the supervisors and all crew members for improving the summer appearance of the Town.

The undersigned was appointed administrator of the program, but because of his absence from Rowe for a month during the summer, most of the administrative work was done by Ellen Foberg.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion W. Boggs
Administrator

Tax Collector's Report

FY-1989

Year/Tax	Outstanding 7/1/88	Commitment	Abatements	Tax Title	Payments	Refunds	Outstanding 6/30/89
87 MV	33.33	320.22	28.33		325.22	0.00	0.00
88 MV	5,705.92	3,453.66	595.82		8,640.00	112.80	36.56
89 MV	0.00	13,043.98	238.27		11,951.21	95.52	950.02
88 PRS	59.43	0.00	56.26		59.43	56.26	0.00
89 PRS	0.00	1,037,810.48	23.37		1,037,753.08	0.00	34.03
88 RE	1,080.51	0.00	0.00		1,080.51	0.00	0.00
89 RE	0.00	298,181.24	1,096.48	88.46	295,093.37	96.23	1,999.16
Total:	6,879.19	1,352,809.58	2,038.53	88.46	1,354,902.82	360.81	3,019.77

Interest Collected on Overdue Taxes	94.36
Bank Interest Turnover	503.21
Lien Fees Collected	600.00
Lien Fees Retained as of 5/8/89	250.00
Demand Fees Retained	100.00

Respectfully submitted
L. Norma Brown
TAX COLLECTOR

In Memoriam



PHOTO: Evelyn Soule

Kenneth "Tony" Soule



PHOTO: Martha Taylor

Alton Davenport

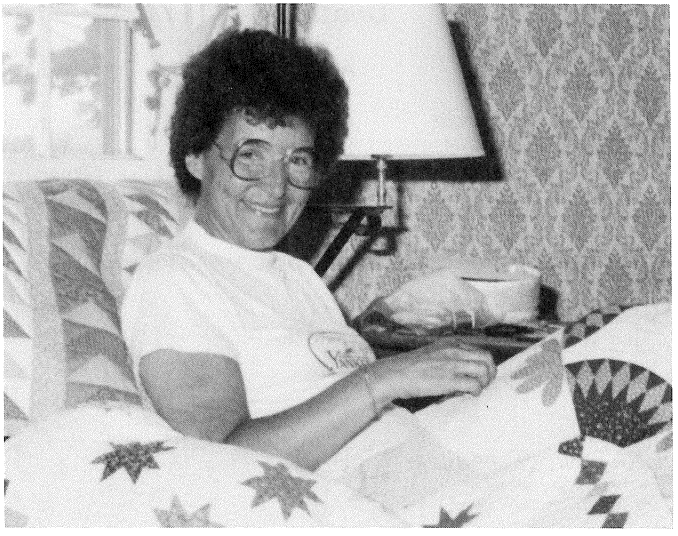


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Sally Ann Alix

Town Clerk

Births

Date	Name	Parents	Place of Birth
03/11/89	Gabriel Ezra Blattman True	Emilie Jean Blattman	Rowe, MA
09/29/89	Brittany Ann Rice	Craig Steven Rice Lisa Suzanne Ovitt	Greenfield, MA

Marriages

Date	Name of Parties	Residence
04/29/89	Michael Andrew Massari Sandra Jean Chasel	Readsboro, VT Readsboro, VT
05/03/89	James Andrew Shulda Lori Ann Vega	Ashfield, MA Ashfield, MA
12/30/89	Douglas Charles Corarito Deanna Lynn Mountjoy	Rowe, MA Rowe, MA

Deaths

Date	Name	Age	Place of Death
07/10/89	Kenneth D. Soule	63	Greenfield, MA
09/30/89	Alton Davenport	84	Barre, VT
11/16/89	Sally Ann Alex	55	Greenfield, MA

Records and Certificates - 1989

4 Filing Fees @ $10.00	$40.00
3 Marriage Licenses @ $4.00	12.00
1 Raffle Permit	10.00
Total	$62.00
Remitted to Town Treasurer	$76.00

Dog Licenses - 1989

45 Males @ $3.00	$135.00
7 Unspayed Females @ $6.00	42.00
37 Spayed Females @ $3.00	111.00
1 Kennel @ $25.00	25.00
Total	$313.00
Clerk's Fees Retained	67.50
Paid Town Treasurer	245.50
Total	$313.00

Sporting Licenses - 1989

15 Resident Citizen Fishing @ $12.50	$ 187.50
2 Resident Citizen Minor Fishing @ $6.50	13.00
9 Non-Resident Citizen Fishing @ $17.50	157.50
9 Non-Resident Citizen 7 Day Fishing @ $11.50	103.50
1 Resident Citizen Fishing Paraplegic FREE	
18 Resident Citizen Hunting @ $12.50	225.00
5 Non-Resident Citizen Hunting Big Game @ $48.50	242.50
25 Resident Citizen Sporting @ $19.50	487.50
6 Resident Citizen Sporting Age 65-69 @ $9.75	58.50
1 Resident Citizen Hunting Age 65-69	6.25
1 Resident Citizen Hunting Paraplegic FREE	
8 Archery Stamps @ $5.10	40.80
	$1,522.05
Clerk's Fees Retained	45.80
Paid Commonwealth of Massachusetts	1,476.25
Total	$1,522.05

Respectfully submitted,

L. Norma Brown, Town Clerk

Elected Town Officials

BOARD OF SELECTMEN	
Marion W. Boggs	Term expires in 1990
Ellen L. Foberg	Term expires in 1991
George A. Riggan, chairman	Term expires in 1992
BOARD OF ASSESSORS	
Robert F. Kenney, chairman	Term expires in 1990
John H. Williams, (resigned)	Term expires in 1991
Ferdinand J. Lehr	Term expires in 1992
TOWN CLERK	
L. Norma Brown	Term expires in 1990
TREASURER	
Kathleen M. Cloutier	Term expires in 1990
TAX COLLECTOR	
L. Norma Brown	Term expires in 1992
MODERATOR	
Karl E. Jurentkuff, Jr.	Term expires in 1992
SCHOOL COMMITTEE	
Margaret B. Rice, chairman	Term expires in 1990
Henry J. Dandeneau	Term expires in 1991
Paul McLatchy, Jr.	Term expires in 1992
LIBRARY TRUSTEE	
James W. Lively	Term expires in 1990
Katherine D. Sprague, chairman	Term expires in 1991
Marion A. Franceschetti	Term expires in 1992
PARK COMMISSIONER	
Leonard J. Laffond	Term expires in 1990
Raymond A. Jodoin, chairman	Term expires in 1991
Martha A. Rice	Term expires in 1992
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER	
Harold T. Shumway	Term expires in 1990
William H. Brown, chairman	Term expires in 1991
James H. Williams	Term expires in 1992

PLANNING BOARD

Prudence Berry	Term expires in 1990
James W. Taylor	Term expires in 1991
Efford H. Pierce	Term expires in 1992
Margalee O. Riggan	Term expires in 1993
Leonard J. Laffond, chairman	Term expires in 1994

FINANCE COMMITTEE

William A. Loomis, chairman	Term expires in 1990
Cynthia M. Laffond	Term expires in 1990
Mary Ann Corarito (resigned)	Term expires in 1991
James H. Pruitt (appointed)	Term expires in 1990
Susan C. Vadeboncoeur	Term expires in 1992
Robert Reynolds-Gallaghar	Term expires in 1992

CONSTABLE

Christine A. Tower	Term expires in 1990

Respectfully submitted,

L. Norma Brown, Town Clerk

Appointed Town Officials

DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT
Leonard J. Brown, Jr.

DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES
Robert F. Kenney
Carroll B. Stowe
James W. Taylor
Richard A. Tower

FIRE CHIEF
Edwin L. May

FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS
Robert F. Kenney, deputy chief
Frederick N. Williams, deputy chief
Wayne A. Stickney, captain
Dennis F. May, captain
Paul McLatchy, lieutenant
Richard C. Howe, lieutenant

CHIEF OF POLICE
Henry J. Dandeneau

SPECIAL POLICE
Karl E. Jurentkuff, Jr.
John R. Riggan

CONSTABLE
Melissa S. Quinn

ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK FOR SELECTMEN
Melissa S. Quinn

ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK FOR ASSESSORS
Aristia F. Veber

ASSISTANT TOWN TREASURER
Evelyn L. Dandeneau

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK
Helen R. Shields

BUILDING INSPECTOR
William G. Foster

WIRING INSPECTOR
John F. Rossi

PLUMBING INSPECTOR
Peter J. Codogni

FOREST FIRE WARDEN
Robert F. Kenney

DOG OFFICER
Leonard J. Brown, Jr.

ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER
Leonard J. Brown, Jr.

AGENT FOR VETERANS
Leonard J. Laffond

CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR
James E. O'Brien

EMERGENCY MEDICAL COORDINATOR
Faith R. Loomis

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS OFFICER
James E. O'Brien

RECYCLING PROGRAM COORDINATOR
Daniel J. Wessman
Barbara J. Roche

SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT ADMINISTRATOR
Marion W. Boggs

CONSERVATION COMMISSION
James W. Taylor, chairman
Richard A. Jodoin
Richard K. Quinn
Mitchell Soviecke
Martha A. Rice

REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL
COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE
Gail May

MOHAWK REGIONAL SCHOOL
COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE
Henry J. Dandeneau

ARTS COUNCIL
Helen R. Shields, chairman
Prudence Berry
Margaret M. Woodside
Pauline H. MacLean
Russell W. Jolly

TOWN LIBRARIAN
Martha A. Rice

GOAL POST STAFF
Nancy N. Williams, editor
Deborah J. Alix, assistant editor (resigned)
V. Pearl Jurentkuff, assistant editor

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Wendell L. Stetson	Term to expire in 1990
Karl E. Jurentkuff	Term to expire in 1990
Frank W. Newton	Term to expire in 1991
Lillian H. Danek (alternate)	Term to expire in 1992
Donald A. Foberg (alternate)	Term to expire in 1992
Henry J. Dandeneau	Term to expire in 1992
John R. Riggan, chairman	Term to expire in 1992

BOARD OF HEALTH

Marion W. Boggs	Term to expire in 1990
Ellen L. Foberg, chairman	Term to expire in 1991
George A. Riggan	Term to expire in 1992

BOARD OF WELFARE

Marion W. Boggs	Term to expire in 1990
Ellen L. Foberg	Term to expire in 1991
George A. Riggan	Term to expire in 1992

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

L. Norma Brown, chairman	Term to expire in 1990
Danette Reynolds-Gallaghar	Term to expire in 1991
Helen R. Shields	Term to expire in 1991
Willian M. Brown	Term to expire in 1992

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE
Marion A. Franceschetti
John H. Williams
Henry J. Dandeneau

ROWE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
PLANNING COMMITTEE
John H. Williams, chairman
Marion A. Franceschetti
Henry J. Dandeneau

MAGNET "MODEL" SCHOOL STUDY COMMITTEE
Marion A. Franceschetti, chairman
Margaret B. Rice
John H. Williams
Raymond A. Jodoin
Paul MacLatchy (resigned)

MOHAWK REGIONAL LONG RANGE
PLANNING COMMITTEE
Henry J. Dandeneau, chairman
Katherine E. May
Donna C. Arnold
Lorraine Cetto
Karl E. Jurentkuff, Jr.
Margaret B. Rice
Frederick N. Williams
Katherine D. Sprague (resigned)
Mitchell Soviecke, (appointed)

FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT COMMITTEE
George A. Riggan

STUMP DUMP SITING COMMITTEE
Ellen L. Foberg
James W. Taylor
Leonard J. Laffond
John H. Williams

OLD HOME DAY COMMITTEE
Carol F. Besgen
Margaret M. Woodside

MEASURERS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER
Ellsworth E. Palmer
John R. Riggan
James H. Williams

TREE WARDEN
Leonard J. Brown, Jr.
John R. Riggan

SUPT. OF PEST CONTROL AND
ELM DISEASE CONTROL
Robert F. Kenney

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMUNITY
ACTION REPRESENTATIVE
George A. Riggan

FENCE VIEWERS
James H. Williams
William H. Brown

ANIMAL INSPECTOR
Deborah L. Lively

TOWN COUNSEL
Craig Barry
(Trudel, Bartlett, Barry, Wilson &
MacNicol, PC, Attys. at Law)

HEALTH AGENT AND SANITARIAN
John A. Brickett, R.S.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE
Sharleen R. Moffatt, R.N.

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
Carol F. Besgen
Myra Bennett
Thomas P. Danek, Jr.
James W. Taylor
Richard A. Tower

Town of Rowe 1989 Voting List

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Alix, Brian R.
Alix, Deborah J.
Alix, Richard E.
Arno, Dorothy M.
Arnold, Donna Canfield
Arnold, Stephen L.
Autio, Elsie H.
Autio, Herbert A.
Avery, Charles D.
Avery, Charles L.
Avery, Marion A.

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Bainbridge, Charles
Bainbridge, Dorothy A.
Benson, Francis S.
Benson, Luella M.
Bernhardt, Jean B.
Berry, Prudence
Besgen, Carol F.
Bjork, Alan W.
Bjork, Florence M.
Bjork, Timothy J.
Boggs, Marion W.
Boutwell, Dawn
Boutwell, Joyce Ann
Boutwell, Raymond L.
Boutwell, Susan M.
Brochu, Arthur J. Jr.
Brown, James D.
Brown, Nancy A.
Brown, Jo-Ann M.
Brown, June W.
Brown, L. Norma
Brown, Leonard J. Jr.
Brown, Roger L.
Brown, William H.
Brown, Willian M.

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Carlow, Earl P.
Carney, Thomas P.
Caruso, Carla F.
Caron, Martha L.
Cascone, Michele
Cascone, Nancy J.
Chiofalo, Thomas L.
Cloutier, Kathleen M.
Corarito, Arthur D.
Corarito, Mary Ann
Chadderton, Lynn

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Dandeneau, Evelyn L.
Dandeneau, Gloria P.
Dandeneau, Henry G.
Dandeneau, Henry J.
Dandeneau, Marion E.
Dandeneau, Thomas F.
Danek, Lillian H.
Danek, Thomas P. Jr.
Donelson, Brian A.
Donelson, Debra
Donelson, Shirley A.
Donovan, Eugene J.
Dvore, David

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Erho, Joseph A.
Erho, Marianna H.

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Foberg, Donald A.
Foberg, Ellen Louise
Foshay, Angela F.
Foshay, Arthur W.
Foster, Bernice A.
Foster, William G.
Franceschetti, Cornelio A.
Franceschetti, Marion A.

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Gabert, Virginia
Gates, Eugene H.
Gates, Leah
Gaudry, George L.
Gaudry, Geraldine M.
Gordon, Ronald P.
Gracy, Sarah Jane
Grogan-Kamansky, Barbara

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Halberg, Neil
Hale, Kevin J.
Hardison, Billy
Hardison, Leonda
Harris, Jean L.
Harris, Richard V.
Heiligmann, Carlos
Heiligmann, Katharine
Houghtaling, Deborah
Houghtaling, Thomas
Howe, Jacqueline M.
Howe, Richard C.
Hudson, Gary H.
Hudson, Sharon C.

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Jerdon, Sandra A.
Jodoin, Naomi M.
Jodoin, Raymond A.
Jodoin, Timothy R.
Johnston, Robin Lee
Johnston, Timothy E.
Jolly, Russell W.
Jurentkuff, Karl E. Jr.
Jurentkuff, Virginia P.

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Kalaus, Warren
Kalaus, Dorothy M.
Katz, Frederick
Kenney, Robert F.
Kenney, Roseanna
Knapp, Ada L.
Knapp, John F.

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Laffond, Cynthia M.
Laffond, Leonard J.
Laffond, Lori
Larned, Deborah
Lehr, Bruce
Lehr, Dorothy E.
Lehr, Ferdinand J.
Lehr, Heidi
Lindabury, Donald E.
Lindabury, Jane H.
Lively, Deborah L.
Lively, Dennis G.
Lively, James W.
Lively, Sandra Julia

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Loomis, Faith R.
Loomis, Jennifer L.
Loomis, William Arthur
Loubsky, Lorena L.

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MacLean, John C.
MacLean, Pauline H.
Magnago, Joseph
Magnago, Valerie
May, Dennis F.
May, Edwin L.
May, Gail
May, Katherine Eileen
McLatchy, Lesley K.
McLatchy, Paul Jr.
Miller, Shirley E.
Miller, Walter J.
Morse, Alfred C. Jr.
Morse, Marjorie H.

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Newton, Frank W.
Newton, Marion L.
Nock, Clayton

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O'Brien, James E.
Oliver, Kathleen

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Palmer, Arvon G.
Palmer, Edwin A.
Palmer, Ellsworth E.
Pecor, Wayne D.
Pierce, Efford H.
Pierce, Judith Ann
Pruitt, James H.
Pruitt, Jean M.

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Quinn, James
Quinn, Melissa S.
Quinn, Richard K.
Quinn, Wendy J.
Quinn, Valery E.

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Racicot, Joseph A.
Racicot, Lydia J.
Reardon, Mary A.
Reardon, William Neil

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Reed, Robin W.
Reynolds-Gallaghar, Danette
Reynolds-Gallaghar, Robert
Rice, Donald A.
Rice, Margaret B.
Rice, Martha A.
Rice, Robert R.
Riggan, George A.
Riggan, John R.
Riggan, Margalee O.
Riggan, Merle R.
Roche, Barbara J.
Rossi, Caroline
Rossi, John F.
Rossi, Martha A.

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Scott, Cedric T.
Scott, Helen K.
Scrivens, Betty R.
Scrivens, David F.
Scrivens, Frederick C.
Shields, Helen R.
Shields, Peter E.
Shippee, Anna M.
Shippee, Leon B.
Shumway, Harold T.
Shumway, Katherine
Sibley, Clifford W.
Sibley, Mary E.
Smith, Floyd Wesley
Smith, Floyd William
Smith, Marion I.
Snively, Mary Elizabeth
Snyder, Catherine T.
Snyder, Timothy Charles
Soule, Evelyn L.
Soviecke, Karen
Soviecke, Mitchell
Sprague, Katherine D.
Sprague, Kevin D.
Stanford, Dorothy E.
Stetson, Eric
Stetson, Jane B.
Stetson, Wendell L.
Stevens, Dorothy N.
Stevens, Raymond B.
Stickney, Linda P.
Stickney, Wayne

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Taylor, James W.
Taylor, Martha L.
Taylor, Richard
Taylor, Suzanne S.
Tower, Christine A.
Tower, Richard A.
Truesdell, Edith M.
Truesdell, Howard O.
Truesdell, Ruth A.
Truesdell, Richard H.

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Vadeboncoeur, Joseph A.
Vadeboncoeur, Susan C.
Van Aken, Wendy A.
VanItallie, Jean-Claude
Veber, Aristia F.
Veber, Arnold A.
Veber, Blanche C.
Veber, Ellsworth W. Jr.
Veber, Florence M.
Veber, Floyd A.
Veber, George F.
Veber, Irene S.
Veber, Rosemary R.
Veber, Shirley
Veber, Wayne L.
Vega, Scott
Volland, Phyllis E.

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Wasko, Frances D.
Wasko, Joseph A.
Wessman, Daniel J.
Williams, Albert R.
Williams, Frederick N.
Williams, James H.
Williams, John H.
Williams, Karin
Williams, Nancy E.
Williams, Nancy N.
Williams, Ree S.
Wilson, Douglas F.
Woffenden, Rena
Woodside, Margaret M.
Woodward, Eleanor L.
Woodward, Martin V.

Official Results Special Town Meeting February 13, 1989

The Town Meeting was held at the Rowe Elementary School February 13, 1989. Meeting called to order by Moderator Karl Jurentkuff at 7:00 P.M. Quorum present. Call of meeting and constables return read by moderator. Tellers William Loomis and Prudence Berry appointed and sworn by moderator. Warrant was posted January 27, 1989.

Article 1: The motion was made and seconded to appropriate from AVAILABLE FUNDS the sum of $16,000 to the Town Hall Expansion Contingency Fund.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 2: The motion was made and seconded to appropriate from AVAILABLE FUNDS the sum of $35,000 to take by eminent domain from William J. and Anna T. Boullie for park purposes, 32 acres, more or less, of land off Pond Road and adjoining Pelham Lake Park, and being the same parcel described by deed recorded at Franklin Registry in Book 1307, Page 85.

The motion was made and seconded to amend this article by including to make this parcel of land as part of the Pelham Lake Park game sanctuary.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 3: The motion was made and seconded to appropriate from AVAILABLE FUNDS the sum of $7,500 to the Refuse Garden Account to cover and anticipated short-fall in the account.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

A true copy. Attest:

L. Norma Brown, Town Clerk

Official Results Annual Town Meeting May 8, 1989

Town meeting held at Rowe Elementary School on Monday, May eighth at 7:00 P.M. Meeting called to order by Moderator Karl Jurentkuff. Quorum present. Call of the meeting and constables return read by moderator. Tellers Judith Pierce, Dorothy Lehr, Christine Tower, William Foster appointed by and sworn by the moderator. Warrant was posted April 24. 1989.

Article 1: The motion was made and seconded to accept the reports of the Town officers and committees.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 2: The motion was made and seconded to empower the Board of Selectmen to choose all necessary officers not elected by ballot for the ensuing year.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 3: The motion was made and seconded to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1989, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes therefor as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 4: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of $84,000 for furnishings and office equipment for the Rowe Town Hall.

Show of Hands Vote - 40 Yes 7 No

Article 5: The motion was made and seconded to:

(i) to accept the provisions of Sections 44A to 44L of the General Laws and, together with such of the towns of Ashfield, Bernardston, Charlemont, Deerfield, Erving, Gill, Greenfield, Hawley, Leverett, Leyden, Montague, New Salem, Northfield, Orange, Shelburne, Sunderland, Wendell, Warwick and such other towns in Franklin County as may vote to accept the provisions of said sections, to establish a regional refuse district to be known as the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District, in accordance with the proposed agreement filed with the Selectmen, and

(ii) to request the Massachusetts General Court to pass legislation ratifying and confirming the aforesaid agreement.

Ballot Vote - 61 Yes 0 No

Article 6: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,700 to pay Rowe's allocated share of the initial budget of the Franklin County Solid Waste Management.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 7: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the following sums for the conduct of General Government, including the charges and expenses of the various town offices, and compensation for elected and appointed officials for the 1990 fiscal.

ADMINISTRATION	
General Administration	$ 16,000.00
Office Equipment	2,000.00
Summer Youth Employment	18,000.00
Town Officer Expenses	2,000.00
Municipal Center Custodian Wage	3,500.00
Municipal Center Operation & Maintenance	7,500.00
Municipal Center Fuel Oil	4,000.00
Bank Charges/Loan Interest	3,000.00
Microfilm Town Records	200.00
Printing Town Reports	3,000.00
Subtotal Administration	$ 59,200.00
BONDING AND INSURANCE	$ 65,000.00
Subtotal Bonding and Insurance	$ 65,000.00
BOARD OF SELECTMEN OFFICE	
Selectmen Salaries	4,800.00
Accounting Officer/Clerk Pay	21,157.00
Asst. Accounting Officer Pay	500.00
Subtotal Selectmen Office	$ 26,457.00
TOWN COUNSEL	4,000.00
Subtotal Town Counsel	$ 4,000.00
ASSESSOR OFFICE	
Assessor Salaries	2,400.00
Clerk Salary	2,300.00
Operation	1,000.00
Mapping Services	600.00

Revaluation	14,500.00
Subtotal Assessor Office	$ 20,800.00
TREASURER OFFICE	
Treasurer Pay	3,500.00
Assistant Treasurer Pay	400.00
Subtotal Treasurer Office	$ 3,900.00
TAX COLLECTOR SALARY	3,400.00
Subtotal Tax Collector Office	$ 3,400.00
TOWN CLERK OFFICE	
Town Clerk Salary	3,600.00
Registrar Pay & Census Taker Pay	350.00
Election Workers Expense	1,000.00
Subtotal Town Clerk Office	$ 4,950.00
SCHOOL COMMITTEE SALARY	3,000.00
Subtotal School Committee Salary	$ 3,000.00
FINANCE COMMITTEE	0.00
PLANNING BOARD	
Operation	500.00
Goal Post Publication	7,900.00
Subtotal Planning Board	$ 8,400.00
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS	0.00
MISCELLANEOUS OFFICERS PAY	
Moderator	200.00
Constable	300.00
Animal Inspector	300.00
Dog Officer	300.00
Subtotal Miscellaneous Officer Pay	$ 1,100.00
TOTAL FOR GENERAL GOVERNMENT	$200,207.00

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 8: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the following sums for the Protection of Persons and Property for the 1990 fiscal year.

POLICE DEPARTMENT		
Police Chief Salary		2,200.00
Officer Wages		2,000.00
Operation		2,900.00
Future Police Cruiser Purchase		5,000.00
Subtotal Police Department	$	12,100.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT		
Fire Chief Salary		2,200.00
Officer Salaries		4,800.00
Fire-fighters Pay		2,500.00
Forest Warden Salary		200.00
Forest Fire Control		2,500.00
General Operation		23,450.00
Fire Truck (Future Purchase)		20,000.00
Subtotal Fire Department	$	55,650.00
MEDICAL EMERGENCY COORDINATION		
Coordinators Salary		500.00
Operation		2,000.00
Equipment		2,000.00
Ambulance Contribution		2,000.00
Subtotal Medical Emergency Coordination	$	6,500.00
STREET LIGHTING		4,000.00
Subtotal Street Lighting	$	4,000.00
BUILDING INSPECTION		
Inspectors Fees, Estimated		3,000.00
Subtotal Building Inspection	$	3,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS		
Electrical Inspector Salary		800.00
Plumbing Inspector Salary		800.00
Civil Defense Director Pay		500.00
Civil Defense Operation		1,200.00
Conservation Commission Operation		200.00
Hazardous Material Control		500.00
Dutch Elm Disease Control		600.00
Insect Pest Control		60.00
Beautification		2,000.00
Subtotal Miscellaneous	$	6,660.00

TOTAL FOR PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY	$ 87,910.00

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 9: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the following sums for Public Health and Sanitation for the 1990 fiscal year.

PUBLIC HEALTH	
Board of Health Operation	1,600.00
Sanitarian Fees	1,500.00
Health Services Salary	15,169.00
Health Services-Substitute Pay	100.00
Health Services Operation	700.00
Refuse Garden operation	70,000.00
Recycling Operation	2,000.00
Subtotal Public Health	$ 91,069.00
VETERAN SERVICES	
Administrator Salary	300.00
Operation	400.00
Veteran Benefits	500.00
Subtotal Veteran Services	$ 1,200.00
CEMETERIES MAINTENANCE	3,000.00
Subtotal Cemeteries Maintenance	$ 3,000.00
TOTAL FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND SANITATION	$ 95,269.00

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 10: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the following non-reimbursable sums for the operation of the Highway Department for the 1990 fiscal year.

GENERAL OPERATION	
Wages and Salaries	104,160.00
Highway Superintendent Salary	33,708.00
Sick Leave Pay	4,000.00
Machinery Maintenance	16,000.00
Fuel Oil, Electricity, Etc.	6,000.00
Fuel for Town Vehicles	12,000.00
Subtotal General Operation	$175,868.00

ANNUAL HIGHWAY PROJECTS	
General Highway Maintenance	25,000.00
Bridges and Guard Rails	6,000.00
General Drainage	5,000.00
Road Surface Maintenance	12,000.00
Roadside Maintenance	7,000.00
Type "I" Paving	15,000.00
Town Garage Maintenance	500.00
Winter Roads Maintenance	32,000.00
Subtotal Annual Highway Projects	$102,500.00
SPECIAL PROJECTS AND NEW EQUIPMENT	
Future Heavy Equipment	15,000.00
Tow Broom	5,000.00
Davis Mine & Ford Hill Roads	8,000.00
Subtotal Special Projects, Etc.	$ 28,000.00
Total Article 10	**$306,368.00**

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 11: The motion was made and seconded to appropriate from AVAILABLE FUNDS the sum of $3,548.34 to offset an overdraft (Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44, Section 31D) in the Highway Department Winter Roads account.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 12: The motion was made and seconded to authorize the Selectmen to enter into an agreement with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Works to accept and expend the sum of $29,360 made available under the provisions of Chapter 15, Acts of 1988, and to make an appropriate transfer from the available fund set up by the Director of the Bureau of Accounts under Chapter 15 in anticipation of reimbursement from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Works.

Total Reimbursable Highway	**$ 29,360.00**

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 13: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of $15,313.00 for Franklin County Technical School District Capitalization for the 1990 fiscal year.

Subtotal Franklin Co. Tech District Capitalization	$ 15,313.00

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for Public Schools for the 1990 fiscal year.

ROWE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Administration	
School Committee Clerical	180.00
School Committee Other	650.00
Administrative Salaries	15,136.00
Clerical Salaries	11,116.00
Administrative Travel	1,063.00
Subtotal Administration	28,145.00
Instruction	
Supervisors' Salaries	100.00
Contracted Services - Curriculum	200.00
Supervisors' Other Expenses	70.00
Subtotal Supervisors	370.00
Principal's Salary	37,545.00
Head Teacher Stipend	600.00
Principal's Clerical	10,436.00
Secretary Substitute	2,115.00
Principal's Supplies	1,900.00
Principal's Other Expense	1,800.00
Subtotal Principal's	54,396.00
Teachers' Salaries	235,701.00
Substitutes	1,450.00
Aides	22,688.00
Contracted Services	5,000.00
Instructional Supplies	9,000.00
Other Expenses	2,500.00
Textbooks	3,500.00
Library Assistant	7,382.00
Supplies/Materials	1,250.00
Other Expenses	100.00
Audio-Visual Supplies	950.00
Other Expenses	100.00
Guidance Testing Supplies	400.00
Guidance Other Scoring	100.00
Subtotal Teacher's, Etc.	$290,121.00
SUBTOTAL INSTRUCTION	$344,887.00

Other School Services	
Health Supplies	500.00
Supplies and Materials	350.00
Pupil Transportation	14,672.00
Cafeteria Salaries	19,574.00
Food and Supplies	400.00
District Program	200.00
Student Body Activity	450.00
Subtotal Other School Services	36,146.00
Operation and Maintenance	
Custodian's Salary	20,353.00
Custodian Substitute	2,900.00
Supplies & Materials	1,785.00
Other Expense	875.00
Heating - Fuel Oil	8,200.00
Utility Service	10,000.00
Maintenance of Grounds - Contracted	1,200.00
Maintenance of Grounds - Supplies	320.00
Maintenance of Building - Contracted	10,000.00
Supplies and Materials	700.00
Maintenance of Equipment - Contracted	5,000.00
Supplies and Materials	450.00
Subtotal Operation and Maintenance	61,783.00
Fixed Charges	
School Committee Liability	0.00
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	0.00
Group Life/Medicare Insurance	0.00
ALL INSURANCE IS PAID BY THE TOWN	
Subtotal Fixed Charges	0.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	
New Equipment	4,600.00
Replacement of Equipment	800.00
Subtotal Acquisition of Fixed Assets	5,400.00
Programs With Other Districts	
Tuition - Mohawk	37,335.00
Tuition - Franklin County Tech	22,200.00
Subtotal Programs With Other Districts	59,535.00
Subtotal Operations	$162,864.00
Subtotal - Regular Operating Budget	**$535,896.00**

Special Education	
Teachers' Salaries	29,685.00
Substitutes	250.00
Teachers Aides	14,967.00
Contracted Services	6,000.00
Supplies and Materials	375.00
Other Expenses	300.00
Textbooks	125.00
Psychological - Contracted	11,000.00
Psychological Supplies	100.00
Other Expenses	100.00
Transportation	0.00
Programs With Other Districts	0.00
Subtotal Special Education Operating Budget	**$62,902.00**
Total Article 14	**$598,798.00**
Total Appropriations for Public Schools	**$614,111.00**

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 15: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the following sums for the Rowe Town Library for the 1990 fiscal year.

ROWE LIBRARY	
Librarian's Salary	9,461.00
Library Wages	3,570.00
Operation and Maintenance	8,785.00
Total Appropriations for the Library	**$21,816.00**

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 16: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the following sums for the management and operation of Pelham Lake Park for the 1990 fiscal year.

PARK COMMISSION	
Wages and Salaries	14,560.00
Operation and Maintenance	6,605.00
Total Park Appropriations	**$21,165.00**

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 17: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of $9,000.00 for the 1990 fiscal year Old Home Day celebration.

Show of Hands Vote - 28 Yes 13 No

Article 18: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the following sums for various employee benefits* as specified for the 1990 fiscal year.

Randolph, Ma. Retirement Assessment	1,000.00
Franklin County Retirement Assessment	24,383.00
Group Medical, Medicaid and Health Insurance	80,000.00
Unemployment Insurance	500.00
*Includes benefits for school employees	
Total for Employee Benefits	**$105,883.00**

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 19: The motion was made and seconded to transfer from OVERLAY SURPLUS account and to appropriate as a Reserve Fund the sum of $20,000.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 20: The motion was made and seconded to authorize the Board of Selectmen to negotiate a contract with the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Charlemont to salt, sand and plow approximately 4.3 miles of Zoar Road and Rowe Road lying within the Town of Charlemont, for one (1) winter season beginning November 1, 1989, in exchange for Charlemont's salting, sanding and plowing Tatro Road in Rowe during the same winter season.

Show of Hands Vote - 33 Yes 7 No

Article 21: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,500 for radar equipment for the Police Department.

Show of Hands Vote - 23 Yes 11 No

Article 22: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,200 for the upgrading of Police Department communications equipment.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 23: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,600 for the purchase of two portable radios for the Emergency Medical Services Department.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 24: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of $3,000 for encapsulation of asbestos insulating the

school furnace and heating pipes.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 25: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate the sum of $4,000 for the construction of a pavilion at Pelham Lake Park.

Show of Hands Vote - 23 Yes 10 No

Article 26: The motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate $2,000 to replace the Towe Town Library furnace.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 27: The motion was made and seconded to amend Town By-Law, Article 3, Section 12, Page 5, by deleting the sentence:

"All Town Officers shall pay into the Treasury all fees received by them by virtue of their office."

and substituting:

"The Tax Collector shall retain all Municipal Lien Certificate fees as payment for his/her personal services."

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 28: No business was transacted under this article.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:00 P.M.

A True copy. Attest:
L. Norma Brown, Town Clerk

Raise & Appropriate

Article 4	$ 84,000		
6	3,700	22	1,200
7	200,207	23	1,600
8	87,910	24	3,000
9	95,269	25	4,000
10	306,368	26	2,000
13	15,313	TOTAL	$1,562,729
14	598,798		
15	21,816	Chap. 15	29,360.00
16	21,165	Free Cash	3,548.34
17	9,000	Reserve	20,000.00
18	105,883		
21	1,500	GRAND TOTAL	$1,615,637.34

Official Results Special Town Meeting September 8, 1989

The meeting was held at the Rowe Elementary School September 8, 1989. Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Town Clerk, L. Norma Brown. Quorum present. John H. Williams was elected acting moderator by oral unanimous vote. Call of meeting and constables return was read by moderator. Tellers Gail May, Ferdinand Lehr, John Riggan and Richard Tower appointed and sworn by the moderator. Warrant was posted August 25, 1989.

Article 1: The motion was made and seconded to accept the sum of $250 together with any accrued interest from Arthur Wells Foshay and Anne Foshay, and with this sum to establish a Rowe Memorial Scholarship.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 2: The motion was made and seconded to amend town by-law ARTICLE II, SECTION 3 by deleting the following:

> "The Warrant for the annual town meeting shall not be closed earlier than **fifteen (15)** days before the time of holding said meeting."

and substituting:

> "The Warrant for the annual town meeting shall not be closed earlier than **thirty (30)** days before the time of holding said meeting."

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 3: The motion was made and seconded to amend town by-law, ARTICLE V, SECTION 7 (A), Class A Lot, by deleting:

> "A Class A Dwelling Lot shall not be less than two (2) acres and and shall have a minimum frontage on a public road of two hundred fifty (250) contiguous feet. In the case of a Class A Lot at the junction of two public roads, the minimum frontage on each such public road shall be two hundred fifty (250) contiguous feet."

and substituting:

> "A Class A Dwelling Lot shall not be less than four (4) acres and shall have a minimum frontage on a public road of four hundred (400) contiguous feet. In the case of a Class A Lot at the junction of two public roads, the minimum frontage on each such public

road shall be four hundred (400) contiguous feet."

Ballot Vote - 42 Yes 17 No

Article 4: The motion was made and seconded to APPROPRIATE from AVAILABLE FUNDS the sum of $55 to pay a bill for a percolation test performed by Filios Enterprises in May of 1988 (Fiscal Year 1988).

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 5: The motion was made and seconded to authorize the Selectmen to transfer to various town departments and/or dispose of certain items of used office furniture from the Town Hall valued at between $1,527 and $2,177.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 6: The motion was made and seconded to create a special study committee to be known as a "Magnet School Study Committee", composed of three members of the Rowe School Committee and two members of the Rowe Regional School Study Committee, the combined committee to investigate the feasibility of reorganizing Rowe Elementary School by limiting the number of tuition students and otherwise, and to prepare an educational philosophy statement and plan for the future, to be presented to a town meeting within six (6) months; and to APPROPRIATE from AVAILABLE FUNDS the sum of $5,000 for educational consultant(s) to assist with such study.

Amended as follows:

The motion was made and seconded to create a special study committee to be known as a "Magnet School Study Committee", composed of two members of the Rowe School Committee, two members of the Rowe Regional School Study Committee and one member at large to be appointed by the Moderator, the combined committee to investigate the feasibility of reorganizing Rowe Elementary School by limiting the number of tuition students and otherwise, and to prepare an educational philosophy statement and plan for the future, to be presented to a town meeting within six (6) months; and to APPROPRIATE from AVAILABLE FUNDS the sum of $5,000 for educational consultant(s) to assist with such study.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 7: The motion was made and seconded to APPROPRIATE from AVAILABLE FUNDS the additional sum of $3,000 for encapsulation of asbestos at the Rowe School.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 8: The motion was made and seconded to APPROPRIATE $200,000 from AVAILABLE FUNDS to the STABILIZATION FUND, the transfer being effective the first business day following January 1, 1990.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 9: The motion was made and seconded to TRANSFER from FLOOD DAMAGE REPAIR ACCOUNT the sum of $28,000 for paving.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 10: The motion was made and seconded to TRANSFER from the FLOOD DAMAGE REPAIR ACCOUNT the sum of $6,000 toward the reconstruction of Ford Hill Road and Davis Mine Road.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 11: The motion was made and seconded to APPROPRIATE from AVAILABLE FUNDS the sum of $1500 for the lay-out and survey relative to the addition to the East Cemetery.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 12: The motion was made and seconded to APPROPRIATE from AVAILABLE FUNDS the sum of $10,000 to be added to the FY 90 Rowe Elementary School budget, Line Item - "Principal's Salary", to authorize and provide the School Committee with greater flexibility in the selection and appointment of a new principal for the school.

Ballot Vote - 28 No 23 Yes

Article 13: The motion was made and seconded to APPROPRIATE from AVAILABLE FUNDS the sum of $1,500 and authorize the Selectmen, the Town Hall Expansion Committee and the Veteran's Agent to relocate the "All Wars Memorial" from the library grounds to the Village Green.

Oral Unanimous Affirmative Vote

Article 14: No business was transacted under this article.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 10:00 P.M.

A True Copy. Attest:
L. Norma Brown, Town Clerk

Town Hall Expansion Committee

The Town Hall Expansion Committee invited all office holders to its meeting of January 9, 1989, to discuss their particular needs for office furnishings. Those officers not attending sent lists of their needs. By vote, Bill Foster was named Clerk of the Works.

On January 30, after faulty operation of the elevator was traced to low temperatures in the elevator mechanical room, the Committee arranged through the architect to close the ventilating louver, relocate the wall light fixture, and install a small electrical heating unit. Arrangements were also made to locate an electrical outlet for the copier on the second floor and to relocate one of the space heaters in the assembly room.

By oversight the original appropriation for the expansion project included no provision for contingencies. The Special Town Meeting of February 13, appropriated $16,000 to a contingency fund.

On February 14, the Committee voted to employ Lynne Leavitt, of Broadway Office Systems, Inc. of Springfield, for consultation and preparation of specifications for bid on office furnishings for the Town Hall at a fee of fifty dollars per hour for her services, not to exceed a total of $1,500.

At the meeting of March 22, the Committee voted to accept recommended stain and paint colors, to carpet the second floor lobby and corridor, to use vinyl tile instead of quarry tile in the upstairs kitchen, to install eight foot bookcases in the Selectmen's office. They discussed a change order concerning telephone jacks and electrical work.

In response to the Bondholder's General Status inquiry, the Committee reported after consultation with the architect that the project was fifty to sixty percent completed.

The Committee met jointly with the Selectmen, April 18, 1989 for the opening of bids for office furniture and equipment. Two bids were received and referred to the Committee for their recommendation.

At its meeting on April 20, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend the rejection of the bid entered by Johnson Interior Systems, because it was defective on several counts -- principally because numerous items specified were not included in the bid. They also voted unanimously to accept the Broadway Office Systems bid of $68,689, subject to appropriation by the Annual Town Meeting;

and further to seek an appropriation not to exceed $84,000 in order to cover the bid and the cost of numerous items such as typewriters, lobby furniture, a computer, a copier, draperies and the like not included in the bid. The Committee also authorized its chairman to negotiate with the architects and the Dole Brothers for replacement of the stainless steel chimney by a brick chimney in keeping with the architecture of the building.

At its meeting of August 22, following approval by the Fire Chief and by the Building Inspector, the Committee voted to build a storage closet under the front stairs for the Post Office at a cost of $400, to be reimbursed by the U.S. Postal Service. Ellen Foberg and Melissa Quinn were authorized to provide, by lease or purchase, at their discretion, a coin operated copier for use by the public on the second floor of the town hall. Replacement of the balustrades and steps at the front porch were outside to contract so the Selectmen agreed to cover the cost out of the Town Hall maintenance account. The Committee agreed that in final negotiations with the architects that the latter be asked to bear some of the cost of redoing the chimney ($2,000) and all of their cost of over seeing the work.

In response to the bondholder's General Status inquiry, after consultation with the architects, the Committee reported that the project was eighty-four percent completed as of September 1, 1989. During the month of September, with the consent of the contractor and a temporary certificate of occupancy, we were able to move the town offices back to the Town Hall.

On October 4, Al Melanson, Inc. submitted an estimate of the cost of appropriate snow guard and rain diverter to protect persons using the rear entrance of the building ($1,640). Melanson warned against installation of guards adequate to retain snow on the old building because of the risk of ice dams causing roof leaks. George Dole strongly concurred. The Committee will need to investigate further.

On October 25, the Committee unanimously approved the action of the Selectmen in asking for an extension of the roof of the porch to prevent water damage to the structure and to prevent ice from building up on the ramp itself -- with the understanding that the Committee expects the architects to bear the expense as the action is necessitated by a design flaw.

Respectfully submitted,

George A. Riggan, Chairman
Ellen L. Foberg, Secretary
Marion W. Boggs
Mary Ann Corarito
Raymond A. Jodoin
Robert F. Kenney
William A. Loomis
Richard E. Taylor
John H. Williams

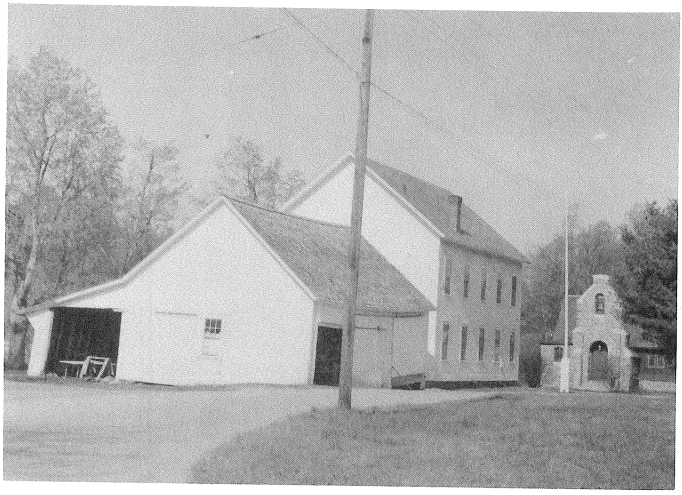


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What goes around - comes around.
(1960 vs. 1990)

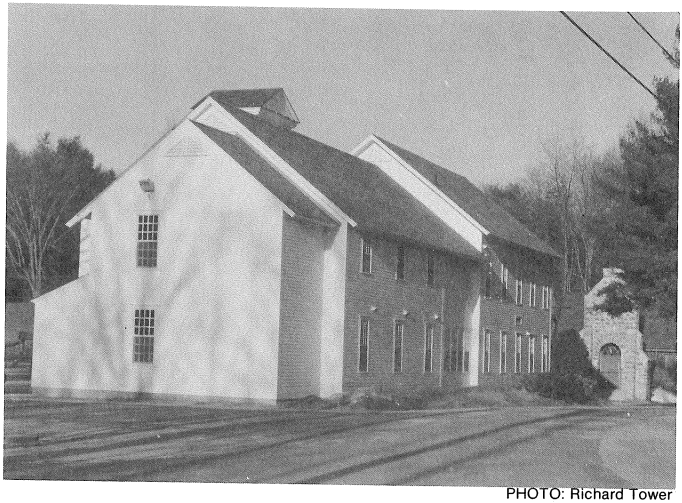


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Stabilization Fund

July 1, 1988 - June 30, 1989

Beginning Balance 7/1/88		$360,240.62
Transfer to General Fund	(300,000.00)	
Interest Earned 7/1 - 6/30/89	24,924.97	
Balance as of 6/30/89		$ 85,165.59

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen M. Cloutier, Treasurer

Rowe Trust Funds

NAME OF FUND	BAL 06/30/88	INTEREST	TRANS OUT	BAL 06/30/89
STABILIZATION FUND	$125.68	$7.51	$0.00	$133.19
M. WELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY	$6,317.41	$383.16	$0.00	$6,700.57

CEMETERY	$14,479.70	$1,014.71	$0.00	$15,494.41
ROWE LIBRARY GIFT TRUST	$177.28	$15.96	$0.00	$193.24
CHARLES WELLS LIBRARY	$1,522.10	$95.79	$0.00	$1,617.89
PRESERVED SMITH LIBRARY	$1,318.56	$79.82	$0.00	$1,398.38
GOULD LIBRARY	$9,672.61	$590.70	$0.00	$10,263.31
FOSTER DONATION	$1,376.84	$79.82	$0.00	$1,456.66
WHITE MEMORIAL LIBRARY	$2,991.15	$175.61	$0.00	$3,166.76
L. TOWER/JONES LIBRARY	$2,991.15	$175.61	$0.00	$3,166.76
ROWE MEM SCHOLARSHIP	$278.56	$17.21	$0.00	$295.77
TOTALS	$41,251.04	$2,635.90	$0.00	$43,886.94

Veterans' Agent

In 1989, because of interest expressed by many citizens of the Town, it was decided to move the Veterans' Memorial from the south side of the library to a more visible location on the Town Common. The move was made in conjunction with work being done on the town hall. Many thanks to the road superintendent and his crew for the assistance they provided to make the move possible. Also in 1989, one casket flag was issued and assistance was provided in making application for veterans' burial reimbursement.

Respcetfully submitted,

L. J. Laffond
Veterans' Agent



Moving The All Wars Memorial from the Library to The Town Green Summer 1989



PHOTOS: Richard Tower

Visiting Nurse and Health Services

The Visiting Nurse & Health Services in Franklin County, a program of Franklin Medical Center, has continued to provide a comprehensive array of health services to patients recovering from acute episodes of illness at home this year. Services are provided by qualified professionals including registered nurses, physical therapists, occupational therapists and speech pathologists. Personal care services by trained home health aides are also provided as an adjunct to skilled care.

In 1989 the following services were rendered to 5 patients:

Skilled Nursing Visits	18
Physical Therapy Visits	23
Home Health Aide Visits	27

The agency has a large component of homemakers whose services are available to help the frail elderly to remain independent at home by assisting with light housekeeping, personal care, shopping, and errands. Referrals for any of the above services are accepted from physicians, hospitals, patients, and/or families. Call 774-2302 for services.

In addition, the agency provides for the Women, Infants and Children Supplemental Food Program (WIC) for all of Franklin County from our office at 50 Miles Street in Greenfield. Call 774-2302 to enroll.

United Way

A program of Franklin Medical Center

Franklin County Solid Waste Management District

Report to Member Communities: FY 1990

Mid-way through our first operational year, the Solid Waste District can point with pride to its accomplishments.

The District's first full-time administrator, Robert Rottenber of Colrain, came on board in mid-November, helping the District emerge as an independent entity after its formative Planning Board years under the County's wing.

Much of the focus this year has been around the opening of the MRF (Materials Recycling Facility) in Springfield, helping our towns gear up for mandatory separation of recyclables. Two area trash haulers were selected to deliver our towns' MRF boxes to Springfield. The education committee designed and printed a poster touting the benefits of recycling; you've undoubtedly seen it in many store windows. All area schools were given recycling teaching programs, and were encouraged to hold poster-making contests. Many participated.

What to do with our non-recyclable trash remains a constant focus. Discussions continue with the Town of Montague about creating a regional landfill in that town. Our mapping project also continues, searching for potential alternate or backup sites for a landfill, composting project, or regional transfer station. By the time you read this, it is hoped that our composting feasibility study will have told us that it makes sense to compost our solid waste and sewage sludge, producing a material useable by highway departments, nurseries, and perhaps gardeners. This process could reduce our solid waste volume by over 80%.

The District's five committees are the backbone of all District activity. Forty-five town representatives and alternates attended an average of two meetings per month throughout the year, designing education programs, writing the by-laws, exploring waste management alternatives, overseeing the district administration, and preparing budgets and tracking finances. The town representatives, appointed by Selectmen, serve as the District's local eyes and ears; their active participation ensures the effectiveness of the District's

work program. They deserve a vote of thanks from all their townspeople for their tireless work.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Little, Greenfield
Chairperson

REDUCTION
RECYCLING
PROCESSING
DISPOSAL

Franklin County Solid Waste Management District

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ATTENTION SOLID WASTE DISTRICT TOWNS: Here is a *SUMMARY OF OUR ACTIVITIES* as we progress through our first year of operation.

ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW

- 20 FRANKLIN COUNTY TOWNS with 45 representatives and alternates
- DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR: BOB ROTTENBERG
- BUDGET: The proposed FY 91 budget ($105,430) is only 1.6% above FY90, and includes a full year of the administrator's position (compared with 7 months in '90) plus composting facility design.

SUBCOMMITTEES:

- *EDUCATION AND RECYCLING (Kristen Walser, Chair)*
- *SOLID WASTE (Bert Lama, Chair)*
- *FINANCE (Marc Fournier, Chair)*
- *BYLAWS(Sam Bartlett, Chair)*
- *STEERING (Dick Little, Chair)*

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1) DISTRICT ORGANIZED and OPERATIONAL!

2) **COMPOSTING FEASIBILITY STUDY** --Preliminary reports indicate that this may be our most environmentally acceptible method of SW disposal.

3) **MONTAGUE LANDFILL PLANNING** -- Ongoing discussions with Montague officials point to a regional facility capitalized by the District.

4) **FRANKLIN COUNTY MAPPING PROJECT** -- Siting possibilities for landfills, sludge disposal, composting, transfer stations, etc.

5) **COOPERATIVE HAULING BID** -- In November two firms were selected to haul recyclables from member towns to the Springfield Materials Recovery Facility (MRF).

6) **COMPOSTING EDUCATION & RAFFLE** -- "How to" pamphlets given out at local stores and a household composting machine (donated) was won by a Leyden resident.

7) **RECYCLING EDUCATION** -- School education packets distributed, an education workshop to be scheduled shortly in cooperation with the CDC, and a Recycling Awareness Week to coordinate with the opening of the MRF in January.

8) **EXPLORING SOLID WASTE ALTERNATIVES** -- The District is looking at such things as: paper recycled (shredded) for animal bedding to benefit local farmers, out-of-state landfills, compost-to-fuel system, and others.

FUTURE

The FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT will be highly visible in the coming year. With the opening of the MRF, mandatory recycling has started in most member towns. Our Education Committee will help towns spread the message that recycling is easier than ever. We will continue our negotiations with Montague regarding the creation of a state-of-the-art regional landfill, providing a long-term, environmentally sound solid waste solutions for all our member towns. This landfill could be developed through our financing capabilities, resulting in favorable hauling and tipping fees for member towns.

Source reduction, recycling, and composting are some of the other areas being addressed by the District. Cooperative, regional efforts are the most effective way to deal with the challenges of solid waste and we are here, working hard on your behalf! Please contact us with your questions, comments, or suggestions.

County Administrator

County Government is outdated and misnamed. It is an extension of the State for managing Jails, Registries of Deeds and Courts. It made sense when judges and prisoners arrived on horseback. Yet the County remains in Massachusetts the nearest thing we have to a sense of "regionalism".

In eastern Massachusetts there are layers and layers of competing agencies serving the public. Here, the towns provide most services. There are some regional agencies - the Regional Housing Authority, the Regional Building Inspector Cooperative, Regional Dispatch, and so on. But these were formed by Franklin County to address specific problems which single, small towns could not handle on their own. They're cost effective and responsive. They work.

Franklin County is the only County which has consistently provided services which save small towns money. The State doesn't understand the small town. We do. We work with the towns to figure out what programs a number of towns need to save money or tackle a problem, and then we do it. And we fight the State when we have to get the County's share of State dollars back to the towns. We **advocate** for our region.

There is a hitch. We still have to operate the Jail, Registry and Courthouse - the items the State wants to tell us how to run. The State doesn't care that we serve our towns well. And now the State's made laws which force us to dump our town program money into the Jail and Registry. The State won't finance what should be State functions to begin with.

There's hitch at home, too. After dealing with the State, most towns fiercely protect "home rule". That's the law which reserves for towns all powers the State **doesn't** take. It seems like the State keeps taking, though. And that's why the County tried to get a charter a few years ago - an effort to hang together before we hang separately. Our charter was narrowly defeated at the polls. Something was wrong with the way we went about it. So we're trying again with the Franklin FUTURES Committee to come up with an organization that can serve all of our towns and act as a base from which we can all shout together and be heard in Boston.

If it ain't broke don't fix it. Town boundaries have been there a long time and so they shall remain. But your County **is** broke - the County that is known for being scrappy on Beacon Hill, and working for **towns** - not just jails, not just the Registry. The State is going to **fix us** if we don't move quickly to preserve our right to work together. The "FUTURES" effort you've heard about in the press and radio is our last chance to do for our towns what the State would rather be done their way.

Please support your County - call the Franklin County Commissioners office with your comments and questions about the County and the FUTURES effort. And thank you for just taking the time to hear us out.

Jay DiPucchio
County Administrator

Heath/Rowe Regional School District Planning Board

In the fall of 1988 the towns of Rowe and Heath each voted to form Regional School District Planning Committees in order to explore the possibility of forming a two town Regional School District. When these two Committees meet together they form a Regional School District Planning Board.

Chapter 71, Section 14 A of the Massachusetts General laws assigns the following responsibilities to a Regional Planning Board; to study the advisability of forming a District and the procedures for organizing, operating and constructing schools. The Board is required to report its findings to the towns' Board of Selectmen. Section 14 B specifies that the Boards report (if recommending formation of a District) shall address the following issues: (a) school committee composition, (b) location of school, (c) jurisdiction (i.e. K-6, K-12, etc.), (d) cost apportionment, (e) transportation, (f) admission/separation procedure, (g) amendment procedure, (h) procedure(s) for budget preparation and adoption. Section 15 requires that the Selectmen of the towns present any favorable recommendation to the voters of each town as a ballot question within thirty days of receiving said recommendation. This section also states that each town must approve the question by a simple majority before a District may be established.

The Moderators of Heath and Rowe appointed the following committees: Rowe - Marion Franceschetti, John Williams and Henry Dandeneau. Heath - Sue Lively, Richard Gary and Budge Litchfield. The Regional School District Planning Board has had sixteen meetings between February 1989 and March 1990. The terms of the proposed agreement have been prepared and it is the Board's intention to bring a recommendation to the Boards of Selectmen in time for the May, 1990 Annual Town Meetings. During the spring of 1990 the Board will prepare and distribute to each household in the two towns a report containing a full copy of the proposed agreement and other pertinent information. In April and/or May of 1990 the Board will host informational meetings in each town, during which the report will be discussed and citizens questions answered. All regular Board meetings are posted public meetings and citizens are welcome to attend.

Respectfully submitted,

Budge A. Litchfield, Chairman
Heath/Rowe Regional School
District Planning Committee

Magnet (Model) School

In September, 1989, the town of Rowe voted to create a special study committee to be known as a "Magnet School Study Committee" to study the feasibility of reorganizing Rowe Elementary School as an alternative to regionalization with the town of Heath.

An educational philosophy statement and plan for the future is to be presented to a town meeting. A sum of money was appropriated for an educational consultant(s) to assist with the study.

The committee has been meeting regularly with the assistance of Linda Galton, the new Assistant Superintendent of Schools. The Committee has sought and received the cooperation of the principal and faculty in searching out the potential for a "Rowe Model Elementary School."

In mid-January, the committee decided, with the recommendation of Ms. Galton, to engage Mr. Charles F. Christensen of Harvard, Mass. as a consultant in this endeavor.

Therefore, in accordance with the instructions from the town, the committee will continue to explore the implications of a model school in Rowe as an alternative to regionalization and describe such a school and provide a written report of its findings and recommendations to the town at or before the annual town meeting in May.

Marion Franceschetti, chairperson
Jack Williams
Maggie Rice
Ray Jodoin
Magnet School Study Committee

Rowe School Committee

Over the last year the Rowe School Committee has worked hard to continue providing quality education for the children in a positive learning atmosphere while maintaining fiscal responsibility, despite serious space limitations.

Rowe Elementary School received accreditation and became a charter affiliate member of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). This made us the first and only elementary school in our county to receive this status. All of this would not have been possible without the dedication of our past principal, Paul Swem and the rest of the Rowe staff.

With the resignation of Paul Swem as our principal, a search committee was formed with the hopes of a new principal by mid-October. Everything was made ready for an easy opening of school in September with a special thanks to Superintendent Bruce Willard as the temporary acting Principal, Ruth Johnson as head teacher, and the rest of the staff helping move forward to another successful educational year during the interim.

A public forum was held October 7 for the purpose of allowing citizens and parents to interview the final candidates. Recommendation from the selection committee, teachers and citizens were taken into advisement as the final choice was made by the School Committee. Philip B. O'Reilly's appointment was formally announced October 17 and he officially began in early November. The Committee found Mr. O'Reilly to be enthusiastic, involved and organized with a vision of quality education of children as the center of all his focus.

In November we were able to have completed the encapsulation of asbestos. Nine air quality tests were performed and the school found safe for occupancy.

The State has recently completed a sanitary survey report for the school. It has been determined that the well qualifies as a "grandfathered exemption" from State regulations as long as no expansion or modification of the water system is done without prior approval by the State.

Some members of the Committee have been active participants on the local regional planning committee and the model (magnet) school study committee.

There are also active committees reviewing and revising school policies and procedures; working with Heath town officials discussing a new tuition agreement starting July 1, 1991; and the chairperson of Rowe has been working closely with the chairperson of the Mohawk Trail Regional High School Committee to have a better line of communication for the townspeople of Rowe with the educational and financial future of Mohawk.

The School Committee continues to struggle with these and other problems and feels the people of Rowe should be aware of them in order to make a knowledgeable decision as to the future of the Rowe Elementary School and the Mohawk Trail Regional High School.

We, as a Committee, as always, invite every citizen to ask questions and attend our meetings to keep informed.

Respectfully submitted,

Maggie Rice, Chairperson
Rowe Elementary School Committee



PHOTO: Lenny Schoenfeld

Sixth Grade in Washington, D.C. with Silvio Conte

Report of the Rowe Regional School Study Committee

To the Townspeople of Rowe:

This Committee was authorized by town meeting vote on October 13, 1988 to study the question of regionalization of Rowe Elementary School and to work jointly with a similar committee from Heath and/or other neighboring towns and to submit a report of our findings and recommendations to the selectmen and citizens. This committee was also instructed to investigate Rowe's alternatives for schooling our children.

The Three alternatives available to Rowe have been generally considered to be:

OPTION 1. Rowe would continue to own and operate the school. Rowe would build an addition to Rowe School sufficient to eliminate overcrowding and provide for reasonable growth. Rowe would continue to offer Heath a tuition plan for all their K-6 students.

OPTION 2. "Regionalization". *The joint Rowe-Heath Regional School District Planning Board has a progress report elsewhere in this Town Report.*

OPTION 3. Rowe would cap the Rowe School enrollment by limiting the number of tuition students accepted from Heath and/or other towns. No major addition to the building would be required. A modest addition, however, might provide for an enhanced educational program. *Option 3 is being investigated by the "Magnet (Model) School Study Committee" which was created by a unanimous town meeting vote on September 8, 1989. That committee is also exploring the potential for a "model elementary school" and their progress report is elsewhere in this Town Report.*

An engineering feasibility study of the school site is underway, under the direction of the Rowe Building Inspector, to determine if the school physical plant is capable of expansion, ie: can the utility systems (septic, water supply, underground tanks, etc.) support potential growth of the school, or, with the proximity to wetlands and other site problems, would changes to the systems be required and reasonably possible. This report will be available before a

recommendation is made by the study committee to the townspeople.

As other committee reports cover Option 2 and Option 3, this brief report is on Option 1.

If Rowe decides to adopt OPTION 1:

A. The financial impact upon Rowe will be about the same as for OPTION 2 as realistically there is little chance of any meaningful state assistance for any Rowe School project.

B. Rowe townspeople will retain ownership and control the elementary school and its educational programs.

C. Rowe town meeting will retain financial control of the school budgets. Rowe Selectmen and Finance Committee will retain "oversight" of school finances.

D. Rowe might help Monroe as well as Heath by inviting their tuition students.

E. Tuition rates could be adjusted up or down from time to time to adapt to then-current conditions in Rowe or the tuitioning towns.

F. If Rowe decided to make additions to the building for educational purposes, it could also include, if desired, other town facilities, such as a "municipal center" (pre-school and day-care facility, senior-citizen activities facility, swimming pool, exercise rooms, etc.)

There will be much discussion of the three options over the next few months. It will require very thoughtful consideration by the voters to ensure the best decision for the future of Rowe Elementary School.

Respectfully submitted,

John H. Williams, Chairman
Marion Franceschetti
Henry J. Dandeneau
Rowe Regional School Study Committee

Principal's Report

It is with a sense of happiness that I write this report. The changes that have occurred recently for me professionally bring greater responsibilities but also greater challenges. I have come to the Rowe School with eight years of elementary classroom experience. In addition, I have worked closely with teachers developing curriculum and researching techniques which have a positive effect on the learning process. I am eager to work with the team at Rowe School and I look forward to a productive career as the principal of a truly exemplary school.

There are several other staff changes that have occurred at our school this year. JoAnne Giguere has left Special Education to become our fifth grade teacher. At this point there is one classroom teacher for each grade. We are lucky to have Roberta Tripp join the staff as our Special Education teacher. A former Rowe School student, Roberta is a 1989 graduate of American International College. Ellen Guistimbelli has also left our Special Education department to become the secretary at Buckland Shelburne School. Pat Poisson has rejoined our staff to replace Ellen.

Another change in Special Education was the hiring of Brenna Root as our Speech Therapist. Congratulations are in order for Rhonda Wainshilbaum, our Art Teacher who gave birth to a healthy baby girl on November 26th. While Rhonda is on maternity leave (3 months) Kristine Lingle will take her place.

On December 8, the Rowe School was formally accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges. Paul Swem and our staff at Rowe School certainly deserve this honor for all the hard work that went into this several year process. Now that we have achieved this honor, we will continue to look towards how we can remain an effective school. I will look to the report filed by the visiting committee and use it as a guideline in the decision making process. This report will be a useful tool.

As I reflect on the 1980's and the many changes that have occurred in education, I can't help but feel that finally schooling for our children is beginning to get the attention that it should. I am hopeful that with this new decade, this attention will continue to be focused toward how schools can become more effective in preparing our children for an ever changing society. I am hopeful that in the

90's our society will see the educational process as the key which will unlock any restrictions that limit our children from reaching their potential.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip B. O'Reilly
Principal

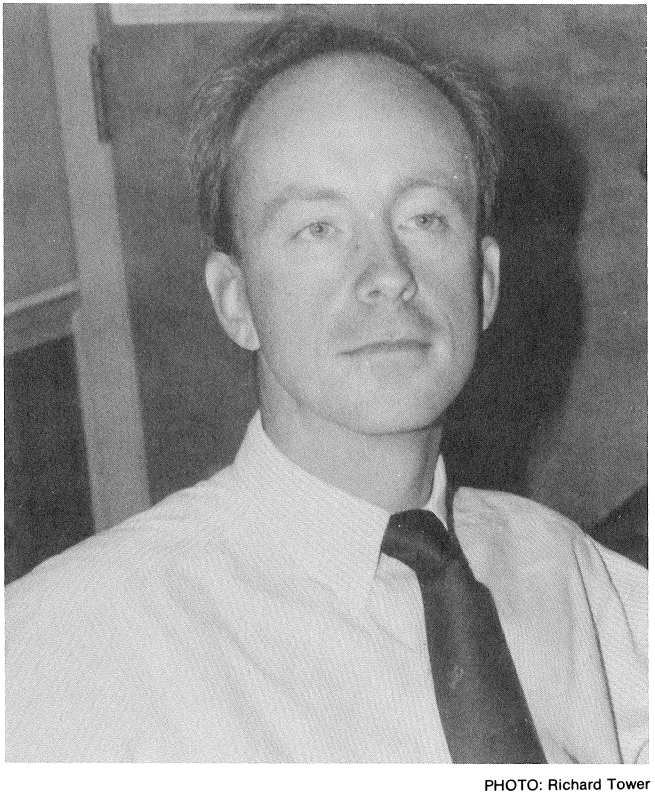


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Rowe Elementary School Principal - Philip B. O'Reilly

Town of Rowe
School Attending Children

January 1, 1989

Grade	Rowe Elem.	Fkln. Cty. Tech.	Out of Dist. Public	Private	Total
Kindergarten	4				4
Ungraded					
Grade 1	4				4
Grade 2	5				5
Grade 1	1				1
Grade 4	7			1	8
Grade 5	6				6
Grade 6	3		1		4
Grade 7		1	4		5
Grade 8			1		1
Grade 9			4	2	6
Grade 10		2	5	1	8
Grade 11			3		3
Grade 12			3	2	5
TOTAL	30	3	21	6	60

1988-1989 Rowe Elementary School Budget

Financial Statement as of June 30, 1989

SUMMARY

	1988-1989 Appropriation	Spent to Date	Balance
Administration	$ 26,835.00	$ 25,582.67	$ 1,252.33
Instruction	287,260.00	277,931.23	9,328.77
Other School Services	32,827.00	33,438.31	(611.31)
Operation & Maintenance	59,884.00	58,257.24	1,626.76
Fixed Charges	.00	.00	.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets	7,400.00	14,107.51	(6,707.51)
Programs with Other Districts	67,816.00	53,624.01	14,919.99
	$482,022.00	$462,940.97	$ 19,081.03
Instruction, Special Education	$ 66,447.00	$ 48,806.24	$ 17,640.76
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	$548,469.00	$511,747.21	$ 36,721.79
	Encumber FY 89	20,118.40	16,603.39

Administration

School Committee Clerical	$ 180.00	$ 105.00	$ 75.00
School Committee Other	2,150.00	2,617.82	(467.82)
	$ 2,330.00	$ 2,722.82	$ (392.82)

	1988-1989 Appropriation	Spent to Date	Balance
Administrative Salaries	$ 13,106.00	$ 11,681.00	$ 1,425.00
Clerical Salaries	10,463.00	10,289.14	173.86
Administrative Travel	936.00	889.71	46.29
	$ 24,505.00	$ 22,859.85	$ 1,645.15
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	$ 26,835.00	$ 25,582.67	$ 1,252.33
Instruction			
Supervisors Salaries	$ 100.00	$ 100.00	.00
Contracted Services-Cur	200.00	250.00	(50.00)
Supervisors' Other Expense	70.00	149.04	(79.04)
	$ 370.00	$ 499.04	$ (129.04)
Principal's Salary	$ 35,600.00	$ 35,600.00	.00
Principal's Clerical	12,126.00	11,734.95	391.05
Principal's Supplies	1,400.00	2,219.48	(819.48)
Principal's Other Expense	2,000.00	1,683.29	316.71
	$ 51,126.00	$ 51,237.72	$ (111.72)
Teachers' Salaries	$189,107.00	$171,972.65	$ 17,134.35
Substitutes	1,650.00	2,507.50	(857.50)
Aides	17,390.00	26,431.15	(9,041.15)
Contracted Services	4,500.00	4,706.02	(206.02)
Instructional Supplies	7,000.00	6,773.14	226.86
Other Expense	2,900.00	1,856.42	1,043.58
	$222,547.00	$214,246.88	$ 8,300.12

Textbooks	$ 3,000.00	$ 2,883.97	$ 116.03
Library Assistant	$ 7,317.00	$ 6,783.00	$ 534.00
Supplies & Materials	1,250.00	1,247.36	2.64
Other Expense	100.00	68.00	32.00
	$ 8,667.00	$ 8,098.36	$ 568.64
Audio-Visual Supplies	$ 750.00	$ 841.22	$ (91.22)
Other Expense	100.00	.00	100.00
	$ 850.00	$ 841.22	$ 8.78
Guidance Testing Supplies	$ 450.00	.00	$ 450.00
Guidance Other-Scoring	250.00	124.04	125.96
	$ 700.00	$ 124.04	$ 575.96
TOTAL INSTRUCTION	$287,260.00	$277,931.23	$ 9,328.77
Other School Services			
Health Salaries	$ 500.00	$ 500.00	$ .00
Supplies & Materials	100.00	97.28	2.72
	$ 600.00	$ 597.28	$ 2.72
Pupil Transportation	$ 12,885.00	$ 13,517.41	$ (632.41)
Cafeteria Salaries	$ 18,642.00	$ 18,636.61	$ 5.39
Food & Supplies	300.00	290.55	9.45
	$ 18,942.00	$ 18,927.16	$ 14.84

	1988-1989 Appropriation	Spent to Date	Balance
Student Body Activities	$ 400.00	$ 396.46	$ 3.54
TOTAL OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES	$ 32,827.00	$ 33,438.31	$ (611.31)
Operation & Maintenance			
Custodial Salary	$ 22,284.00	$ 21,201.50	$ 1,082.50
Supplies & Materials	1,700.00	2,248.08	(548.08)
Other Expense	875.00	667.62	207.38
	$ 67,816.00	$ 53,624.01	$ 14,191.99
Heating	$ 10,500.00	$ 6,465.45	$ 4,034.55
Utility Services	$ 10,000.00	$ 9,743.87	$ 256.13
Maintenance of Grounds	$ 1,200.00	$ 2,980.50	$ (1,780.50)
Maintenance of Grounds-Sup.	975.00	109.23	865.77
	$ 2,175.00	$ 3,089.73	$ (914.73)
Maintenance of Building	$ 7,000.00	$ 10,869.25	$ (3,869.25)
Supplies & Materials	1,700.00	1,251.00	449.00
	$ 8,700.00	$ 12,120.25	$ (3,420.25)
Maintenance of Equipment	$ 3,200.00	$ 2,588.36	$ 611.64
Supplies & Materials	450.00	132.38	317.62
	$ 3,650.00	$ 2,720.74	$ 929.26

TOTAL OPERATION & MAINTENANCE	$ 59,884.00	$ 58,257.24	$ 1,626.76
Acquisition of Fixed Assets			
New Equipment	$ 3,400.00	$ 3,075.22	$ 324.78
Replacement of Equipment	4,000.00	11,032.29	(7,032.29)
	$ 7,400.00	$ 14,107.51	$ (6,707.51)
TOTAL ACQUISITION FIXED ASSETS	$ 7,400.00	$ 14,107.51	$ (6,707.51)
Programs with Other Districts			
Tuition-Mohawk	$ 51,416.00	$ 39,099.01	$ 12,315.99
Tuition-Tech.	16,400.00	14,525.00	1,875.00
	$ 67,816.00	$ 53,624.01	$ 14,191.99
TOTAL WITH OTHER DISTRICTS	$ 67,816.00	$ 53,624.01	$ 14,191.99
SUB-TOTAL: REGULAR OPERATING BUDGET	$482,022.00	$462,940.97	$ 19,081.03

	1988-1989 Appropriation	Spent to Date	Balance
Instruction, Special Education			
Teachers' Salaries	$ 29,470.00	$ 22,045.69	$ 7,424.31
Substitutes	.00	.00	.00
Teachers' Aides	12,963.00	9,858.00	3,105.00
Contracted Services	6,000.00	1,242.15	4,757.85
Supplies & Materials	350.00	483.05	(133.05)
Other Expense	200.00	86.91	113.09
	$ 48,983.00	$ 33,715.80	$ 15,267.20
Textbooks	$ 100.00	.00	$ 100.00
Psychological Contracted	$ 10,000.00	$ 8,910.50	$ 1,089.50
Psychological Supplies	100.00	.00	100.00
Other Expense	50.00	126.12	(76.12)
	$ 10,150.00	$ 9,036.62	$ 1,113.38
TOTAL INSTRUCTION, SP. ED.	$ 59,233.00	$ 42,752.42	$ 16,480.58
Transportation			
Transportation	$ 3,000.00	$ 1,393.15	$ 1,606.85
TOTAL TRANSPORTATION	$ 3,000.00	$ 1,393.15	$ 1,606.85

Programs With Other District			
Programs Other District-MA	$ 4,214.00	$ 4,660.67	$ (446.67)
TOTAL PROGRAMS-SPECIAL ED	$ 4,214.00	$ 4,660.67	$ (446.67)
SUB-TOTAL: SPECIAL EDUCATION BUDGET	$ 66,447.00	$ 48,806.24	$ 17,640.76
GRAND TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	$548,469.00	$511,747.21	$ 36,721.79
ENCUMBER MONIES		$ 20,118.40	$ 16,603.39

1989 Annual Report of the Superintendent of Schools

As I write this report, the primary concerns that most of us have are the poor economic conditions that exist in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The economic factors have had a chilling effect on the town and school budgets for this year. It has required the imposing of a spending freeze on purchases as of September, 1989 for some of the school districts. There has been a hiring freeze on some of the positions, which has resulted in either a reduction or the elimination of non-teaching positions. In two school systems the school committees have approved budget reallocation plans of up to $150,000, in order to provide enough funds to cover unanticipated expenditures this year, and to provide some funds to help reduce assessments in the 1990-1991 school budget. Based on the limited information that's available at this time, school committees don't anticipate any increases in state aid, and there may even be a decrease in the funds that are available.

The implementation of a spending freeze usually results in false economy as the need to replace textbooks, instructional materials, and equipment, places additional pressure on the budget for the next school year. The problem also exists in the area of deferred building maintenance. We know from past experience that leaking roofs cause damage to ceiling and floor tiles. Equipment that needs to be repaired or replaced becomes more expensive in future years.

At this time the school committees are involved in budget preparation for next year. The budgets for Fiscal 1991 represent one of the most difficult challenges that school districts have faced. When Proposition 2½ was passed, the state provided additional funds to local school districts and communities. This year, the state, local communities, and school districts, do not have any reserve funds, which places incredible pressure on the budget process.

There has been considerable discussion on determining acceptable increases for the budget next year. Level funded budgets mean a reduction in personnel, programs, and materials. It's almost certain that level funded budgets will mandate a reduction in the number of available teachers for each school. This will dictate larger class sizes and the reduction of program options. It will likely result in a review of graduation requirements, as students will have fewer options for class selection. Extra curricular activities will also be in jeopardy unless an alternate source of funding can be secured. I have grave concerns about the negative impact of level funded budgets on the quality of education for students.

At the annual town meetings this year, voters will have to make some difficult decisions about the level of services that will be available in our various communities. School districts will need the continued support of community members in order to maintain the high caliber of schools that currently exist.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce E. Willard
Superintendent of Schools

Annual Report of the Mohawk Principal

I am pleased to present my eighth annual report as Principal of Mohawk Trail Regional High School. The past year was one which was marked by a high degree of success in areas of academics, athletics, and musical endeavors. It was also a year which was marked by budgetary restraints which confined our ability to support education as in previous years.

Mohawk students scored well above state norms in the Massachusetts Basic Skills Testing Program with over 97% of students receiving passing grades in math, reading and writing assessments. Scores on other standardized testing have shown steady improvement. In other curriculum areas, Mohawk was able to continue to offer its EMT training program and to provide a regular education program for students with behavioral problems. This year, however, has seen the reduction of a math and a science teacher.

Athletically, Mohawk students continued to succeed. Our participation rate exceeds 35% of the student body. Many league championships were achieved. In the area of music, middle school students were involved in the production of "Anything Goes". At this writing, the school is preparing for its presentation of the "King and I." Music students are travelling to Disney World in California and to a competition in Toronto in the spring.

Our achievements this past year were many. We were able to sustain ourselves despite reduced aid from the State in support of our budget. A spending freeze occurred this year in September which

prevented further purchase of texts, supplies and equipment. Further reductions of $150,000.00 were necessitated in the winter months. Many items went unpurchased.

We approach the coming year with apprehension. We forsee reduced budgets and a lack of response by the State in dealing with those issues involved in the financial support of education. We are committed, however, to the highest quality of education in a disciplined setting. Our people are our greatest resource.

We thank you for your support and we solicit continued efforts on your part as we approach a potentially very difficult budget process. Our greatest asset is our youth -- they are the future.

Philip A. Dzialo
Principal

Mohawk Trail Regional School District

1989 MOHAWK GRADUATES FROM THE TOWN OF ROWE

Karen Hoffman
Rebecca Loomis
Scott Vega

1989 Report Special Education

As of December 1, 1989, there are 304 children receiving special education services throughout the nine towns of the Mohawk Trail Regional School District. This accounts for approximately 16% of the total student population.

The majority of special services are provided within the individual's school district whenever possible. When, as in some cases, it becomes more effective to provide out-of-district services, such services are sought.

Chapter 766 of the Acts of 1972 requires that "school age children: any person of ages three through twenty-one up to his/her twenty-second birthday, who has not obtained a high school diploma or its equivalent and who are not progressing effectively in a regular education program because of temporary or more permanent adjustment difficulties or attributes arising from intellectual, sensory, emotional, or physical factors, cerebral dysfunctions, perceptual factors, or other specific learning impaiments," may be eligible for special education services.

In order to meet the needs of our students, a wide variety of services are provided. A number of these services and their providers cover the entire nine town district, while others are found in individual dustricts.

System-wide, adaptive physical education, occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech therapy and the services of an Early Childhood Coordinator are provided. A great deal of the therapy provided is on a one-to-one or small group basis. The goals and objectives that the therapist and student work on are addressed in the child's Individual Education Plan. These goals and objectives are periodically reviewed so the child's program will continuously provide for the best possible program.

The Early Childhood Coordinator is responsible for implementing federally mandated child search activities in the nine town area throughout the year. The Early Childhood Coordinator coordinates and/or participates in: a) special needs screening of preschoolers age 3 to 5 years; b) special needs screening of Kindergarteners; and c) team meetings of preschoolers and Kindergarteners. The Early Childhood Coordinator acts as a liaison with outside agencies serving young children as well as coordinating special education services to preschoolers ages 3 to 5 years. The Early Childhood Coordinator also acts as a resource person to parents, teachers and other school staff in regard to resources, programs and services for young special needs children.

Side by Side West is one of the programs overseen by the Early Childhood Coordinator. This is an integrated preschool program with regular and special needs children. The teacher, along with two full time aides, provides an enriching environment which challenges their students and provides support and guidance for parents and other support staff connected with the program.

Substantially-separate classrooms are operated within two of our districts. The Hawlemont Regional School District and the Mohawk Trail Regional High School both have such programs. These programs service children that require a great amount of individual or small group attention that can be provided for in

regular education programs alone. These children spend the majority of their day under the guidance of special education personnel.

The goal of our special education services is to "mainstream," that is to integrate the child into regular education programs as much as possible. The Resource Room programs within our district strive to mainstream youngsters as much as possible. There are eight resource rooms throughout the nine town district; 3 at Mohawk and one in each of the elementary schools. Most of the students serviced by these resource rooms are seen for one to two hours per day for areas such as language, arts, math, study skills, etc. The resource room teacher often coordinates the child's program with that of the regular education program. With the assistance of special education aides, the goals and objectives of each child's Individualized Education Plan are implemented and evaluated periodically.

Each of the schools within our district receives services from a school psychologist. The school psychologist contributes a variety of services to our schools. Chief among these services are their assessments of individual's abilities and the counseling provided to individuals.

All of the support services provided within our nine town district depend upon the strong networking of talents. Parents, through individual and Parent Advisory Council support, school personnel and outside support agencies, all assist in providing guidance in programs for children in both special and regular education programs. It is this coordinated effort that strengthens special education programs and enables us to meet the special needs of those we serve.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard J. McInerny
Special Education Director

School Library/Media Center Report

The district wide library/media center goals for this year were to publish a K-12 catalog of video tapes and to continue to weed material from the collections of each school library. Individual libraries are currently addressing specific building goals such as fund-raising, effective utilization of space, and card catalog reorganization.

Workshops on various aspects of library science have been held on a regular basis at the elementary school libraries in the district, and several staff members have participated in a series of classes leading to certification by the Western Massachusetts Regional Library System.

The school library/media centers continue to experience major hardships due to financial problems; new material, equipment, supplies and personnel have all been affected. Financial limitations have made it virtually impossible to provide the quality programs and services to library patrons that we have been able to provide in the past. The decade of the 1990's does not appear to offer any solution to the financial crisis at hand.

Despite major decreases in material, supplies and personnel, the district library/media centers have circulated more material in 1989 than in any single previous year. The demand for service has increased significantly as reflected in this year's circulation statistics:

Print Material	40,631
Nonprint Material	4,743
Interlibrary Loan	186

Total circulation of all material in the six school district libraries reached 45,560 items; that is 2,000 more than last year. Due in large measure to the continuing Block Grant funds approximately 1,640 new items were cataloged and added to the collections.

Library/media center personnel are as follows: Buckland-Shelburne Regional School - Toni Wilcox; Colrain Central School - Genie Lynch; Hawlemont Regional School - Sandy Gilbert; Rowe Elementary School - Wanda Musacchio; Sanderson Academy - Beverly Williams and Barbara Pantermehl; Mohawk Trail Regional School - Susan Silvester, Julie Dupree and Marjorie Porrovecchio.

Dr. Susan B. Silvester
Director of Instructional Media K-12

Mohawk Trail Regional School District FY 89

EXPENDITURES	Appropriation	Expended
Administration		
School Committee Expenses	14,455.00	18,443.71
Treasurer Office Expenses	2,450.00	3,054.68
Superintendent Office Expenses	140,297.34	140,440.05
	157,202.34	161,938.44
Instructional		
Supervision/Coordinator Expense	85,217.08	79,624.11
Principal Office Expense	147,650.37	153,536.04
Classroom Teaching Expense	1,640,715.48	1,660,875.32
Textbook Expense	27,319.00	20,843.62
Library Expense	60,119.80	60,106.62
Audio-Visual Expense	18,001.50	17,812.79
Student Services Expense	110,190.36	106,333.87
Psychological Expenses	39,232.00	36,208.60
	2,128,445.59	2,135,340.97
Other School Services		
Attendance Officer Services	400.00	325.00
Health Services	20,084.00	22,385.04
Pupil Transportation-Regular	597,819.00	616,628.79
Pupil Transportation-Sp. Ed.	2,000.00	6,602.20
Food Services	.00	.00
Athletics	29,608.00	35,283.52
	649,911.00	681,224.55
Operation & Maintenance of Plant		
Custodial	139,778.07	150,928.91
Electric/Gas	133,900.00	141,451.92
Rubbish Removal/Water Testing	600.00	1,201.08
Telephones	7,200.00	9,082.71
Yards & Grounds	.00	5,124.96
School Bldg. Maint. & Repair	23,575.00	31,988.56
School Bldg. Equipment Maint.	23,788.00	22,851.10
	328,841.07	362,629.24
Fixed Charges		
Retirement Assessments	84,350.00	90.497.61
Insurances	212,852.00	228,602.84
	297,202.00	319,100.45

Community Services	.00	.00
Acquisition of Fixed Assets		
New Equipment	26,611.00	19,970.71
Replacement Equipment	8,790.00	8,159.20
	35,401.00	28,129.91
Debt Retirement		
Principal	25,538.00	.00
Interest	15,374.00	.00
	40,912.00	.00
Programs with Other Districts		
MA. Schools	.00	5,380.60
Out-of-State Schools	8,100.00	8,080.00
Non-Public Schools	.00	560.00
Collaboratives	750.00	750.00
	8,850.00	14,770.60
Reallocation-Overrun Offset	94,333.00	.00
	3,741,098.00	3,703,134.16

Mohawk Trail Regional School District
Vocational Account

BALANCE SHEET AS OF JUNE 30, 1989

Assets:		**Liabilities and Reserves:**		
Cash, MMDT	$356,805.38	Notes Payable		$525,000.00
Cash, State Street	15,970.56	Loan Offset		(525,000.00)
		Estimated Receipts:		
		Interest Earned	24,424.95	
		Chapter 70	.00	
		Town Receipts	221,560.92	
		Miscellaneous	9,361.91	
		Loan	265,000.00	
			520,347.78	520,347.78
		Expenses:		
		Tuition	(120,460.49	
		Transportation	(95,498.20)	
		Interest	(33,572.88)	
		Miscellaneous	(70.00)	
			(249,601.57)	(249,601.57)
		Fund Balance		(102,029.73)
Total Assets:	$372,775.94	TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:		$372,775.94

BALANCE SHEET AS OF JUNE 30, 1989 FOR VOCATIONAL ACCOUNT

After Final Transfers

Assets:			**Liabilities and Reserves:**	
Cash, MMDT	$356,805.38		Notes Payable	$790,000.00
Cash, State Street	15,970.56		Loan Offset	(790,000.00)
			Fund Balance	372,775.94
Total Assets:		$372,775.94	**Total Liabilities and Reserves:**	**$372,775.94**

BALANCE SHEET AT JUNE 30, 1989 AFTER TRANSFERS

Assets:			**Liabilities and Reserves:**		
United Bank, NOW	115,385.59		Payroll Deductions		
MMDT	80,335.24		Blue Cross, Blue Shield	7,780.95	
MMDT, Asbestos	53,074.82		United Way	204.00	7,984.95
United Bank, EOER	86.91		Blue Cross,		
United Bank,			Blue Shield Others		1,477.72
Asbestos CD	209,406.99	458,289.55			
			Encumbered Salaries		174,908.10
Receivables					
			Due to General Fund:		
General		664,442.24	Asbestos	45,604.00	
Other Funds:			EOER	3,036.25	48,640.25
Asbestos	45,604.00				
EOER	3,036.25	48,640.25			

Assets:

Grants:		
Chapter I FY89	26,466.00	
Computer Energy	10,620.00	
EEOG	27,345.00	
EOER	4,076.07	68,507.07
Cafeteria		9,800.29
Towns:		
Ashfield		
Buckland		
Charlemont		
Colrain		
Hawley		
Heath		
Plainfield		
Shelburne		
Asbestos Town Receipts		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Chapter 70		
Regional Aid		
Transportation		
Other State Aid		
Interest Receivables		
Asbestos CD		1,197.00
Inventory - Cafeteria		2,145.00
TOTAL ASSETS:		653,021.40

Liabilities and Reserves:

Vouchers Payable		10,610.00
Grants		36,546.24
Revolving Funds:		
Athletic	6,115.39	
Music	566.78	
School Lunch	(3,196.17)	3,486.00
Fund Balance		
Asbestos	218,074.81	
EOER	1,126.73	
Unrestricted Surplus	78,666.60	
Restricted Surplus	71,500.00	369,368.14
School Budget Balance		.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES:		653,021.40

Franklin County Technical School District - Annual Report of the Superintendent Director

For the Calendar Year
January 1, 1989 to December 31, 1989

I am pleased to submit my fifth annual report of the administration of the Franklin County Technical School. As in previous reports, I will briefly report only on those significant events that have contributed to our school's growth and progress during the past year.

The student enrollment decreases which have been in evidence in the nation, state, and county high schools for the past six years, has had an impact on the Tech School enrollment. Due to the decline in student members, we are phasing out our Agriculture and Drafting programs. Although the decline in high school age students will continue to be pronounced for at least two more years, the Franklin County Technical School will continue to maintain acceptable student loads. The percentage of enrollment decline in the county's high schools appears to be offset by a continuing increased percentage of District student applications.

The October 1, 1989 enrollment by District and Non-District towns are as follows:

Bernardston	19
Buckland	12
Colrain	13
Conway	7
Deerfield	28
Erving	24
Gill	4
Greenfield	120
Heath	13
Leyden	3
Montague	48
New Salem	10
Northfield	12
Orange	54
Shelburne	9
Sunderland	11
Warwick	5

Non-District Towns

Amherst	12
Ashfield	7
Athol	19
Charlemont	9
Hawley	3
Leverett	3
Pelham	1
Plainfield	3
Rowe	4
Shutesbury	3

Wendell	11	
Whately	4	
	407	64
		471

As in every year since this school's opening, perhaps the most serious problem facing this School District is the major handicap of attempting to establish educationally sound and fiscally responsive operational budgets nearly two years in advance of the expenditure calendar for those budgets. This difficulty is compounded by the fact that nearly fifty percent of the cost of every regional school budget is borne by state reimbursements. When, as it often happens, the state changes reimbursement projections, after local budgets have been finalized, the results are destructive to effective budget analysis and management.

A very successful Career Fair was held last Spring and eighth graders from each of the sending schools were given an opportunity to explore careers in many vocational fields. We have entered into a joint program with Western Mass. Electric Company designed to reduce our energy consumption. The project has been installed, and we are in the process of fine tuning the new equipment.

As in the past, a large number of community service projects were completed by our school production shops. The annual house building project (being built this year in Sunderland) is our major project, however, a large number of District towns benefited from the skills of our student body. We have also been involved in a number of remodeling projects at County Senior Citizen Centers.

The Tech School continues to receive a large and varied number of federal grants allocated to curricular improvement. The school receives in excess of two hundred thousand dollars in direct grant dollars to assist us in developing a large number of vocational and special education programs. Furthermore, a number of our area business and industrial firms donated valuable materials, equipment, and services to our school.

Our work experience and cooperative work programs continue to be very effective job placement vehicles for the Tech School student. As of September 1989, our Senior placement record was as follows:

Available for placement	91
Entered College	10
Placed in Jobs	
Related to Shop Training	61
Unrelated to Shop Training	20

JOB PLACEMENT (Related to Shop) 67%
JOB PLACEMENT (Total) 90%

In conclusion, I would like to express my gratitude to the entire educational community at the Tech School. Their support and understanding have been appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

David E. Filkins
Superintendent-Director

Franklin County Technical School District - Report of the Chairman

For the Calendar Year
January 1, 1989 to December 31, 1989

Even though our budget is tight and our enrollment is down as it is in all the State's secondary schools, Franklin County Tech continues to provide a quality education to all its students; preparing them for the work field in Franklin County. We do not have nearly enough students graduate to fill the demand that our area employers have for a quality work force. Greenfield Community College continues to take advantage of the opportunity to use our school to coordinate the Tech Connection Workshops.

As in the past a large number of community service projects have been done for area towns. One important project was for Camp Lion Knoll which is used by the Greenfield Girls Club. Franklin County Tech made renovations on this Camp so that it would pass the Board of Health's inspection. Hundreds of county children attend summer camp here. The annual house building project which is being built in Sunderland this year is our major project.

This year we had five school committee members attend the annual School Committee and School Superintendent's Conference at Hyannis, MA. Eleven hundred School Committee members from across the state attended. We feel that our fine showing every year at this annual conference has helped to make F.C.T.S. well known to our State Education leaders. We also had the opportunity to meet with some leaders of the Special Olympics from the Eastern part of the state.

On behalf of the Committee, our thanks go out to our dedicated administrators, teachers, and support staff who continue to do a great job with our students.

Respectfully submitted,

John A. Zon, Chairman

Rowe Graduates of Franklin County Technical School

Levin Hardison
James Herzig
Denise Stickney
Brian Vega

Franklin County Technical School District Committee - December 31, 1989

Bernardston	Robert Murley
Buckland	Sharleen Moffatt
Colrain	Mark McKusick
Conway	George Eldridge
Deerfield	Marshall Aronstam
Erving	Vacant
Gill	J. Richard Colgan
Greenfield	Thomas King
	George Markle
	John Zon, Jr.
Heath	James Cerone
Leyden	Gerald Levine
Montague	Donald O'Hara
	Milton Smith
New Salem	Harold Overing
Northfield	Louis Guillette
Orange	Leona Cloutier
	Jane Laughton
Rowe	Gail May
Shelburne	Eugene Butler
Sunderland	Clarence Warner
Warwick	A. George Day, Jr.
Wendell	Albert Diemand
Whately	Vacant

Franklin County Technical School
Financial Summary

Treasurer's Report - June 30, 1989
FY 89

Total Revenue Received	$5,367,847.32	$5,367,847.32
Total Budget Expenditures	4,411,608.36	
FY 87 & 88 ER Expenditures	328,968.99	
FY 89 Encumbered Reserve	312,070.21	5,052,647.56
Total Surplus Revenue for FY 89		315,199.76

Breakdown of Surplus Revenue

Undesignated (5% Carryover)	224,632.25
Designated (To be returned by reduction of FY 90 Assessments)	90,567.51
	315,199.76

Budgetary

Revenue from Local Sources

Assessments received by FCTS from Member Towns	$1,890,280.11
Orange, Leyden, Rowe, Buy in & Capital Share	148,127.90
Tuition from Other Districts	321,468.17
Earnings on Investments	53,006.38
Sale of Surplus Equipment	3,169.29
Rental of School Facilities	1,472.62
Miscellaneous receipts, refunds, commissions	10,726.74
Encumbered Reserve FY 87 & 88	328,968.99
Undesignated Surplus FY 88 (5%)	224,632.25

Designated Surplus FY 88	113,237.89
	$3,095,090.34

Revenue from Commonwealth

School Aid Fund (Chapter 70)	673,936.00
Aid to School Construction	384,189.98
Aid for Pupil Transportation	355,156.00
Aid to Member Town of Regional Schools	859,475.00
	$2,272,756.98

Total Budgetary Revenue From All Sources	$5,367,847.32

BUDGETARY EXPENDITURES

			Appropriation	Expended	Encumbered
Encumbered Res. 87 & 88		328,969			
1000	**Administration**				
1100	School Committee	500	27,050	19,520	
1200	Superintendent	8,640	189,942	183,545	
	Total Administration		216,993	206,748	
200	**Instruction**				
2200	Director's Office		229,769	218,062	
2300	Teaching	166,962	1,988,585	1,809,892	158,979
2400	Textbooks		13,420	14,889	
2500	Library	1,409	35,562	32,706	
2600	Audio Visual	714	49,474	46,670	
2700	Guidance	21,345	160,124	139,420	
	Total Instruction		2,476,934	2,261,639	
3000	**Other School Services**				
3100	School Lunch		13,470	13,470	
3200	Health Service	4,322	27,780	25,510	
3300	Pupil Transportation		367,500	378,478	
3500	Student Activities		52,676	27,509	
	Total School Services		447,956	(2,928)	
4000	**Operation & Maintenance**				
4100	Operation and Maint. of Plant & Equipment	104,296	492,829	415,378	76,056
	Total Operation & Maint.		492,829	415,378	

			Appropriation	Expended	Encumbered
5000	**Fixed Charges**				
5100	Employee Retirement		62,000	70,446	
5200	Insurance		248,500	324,370	47,337
5400	Interest on Loans		1,000	.00	
	Total Fixed Charges		311,500	(83,315)	
7000	**Acquisition of Fixed Assets**				
7300	New Equipment		15,680	12,066	3,614
	Total Fixed Assets		15,680	12,066	
8000	**Debt Retirement & Debt Interest**				
8190	Debt Retirement		340,000	340,000	
8290	Debt Service		150,720	150,270	
	Total Retirement & Service		490,720	490,720	
Special Education					
	Supervision		235,217	175,638	2,811
	Instruction	20,780	47,490	33,718	23,273
	Total Special Education		282,707	309,356	
	TOTALS:	328,969	4,735,318	4,411,608	312,070

Revenues and Expenditures Revolving Funds

SCHOOL LUNCH

Balance beginning of year	3,754.34
Revenues	
State Aid, Sales, Budget Supplement	102,883.44
Total Balances & Receipts	106,637.44
Expenditures	
Supplies & Materials	99,688.71
Total Expenditures	99,688.71
School Lunch Fund Bal. End of Year	6,949.07

ATHLETIC AND OTHER STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Balance Beginning of Year	3,257.11
Revenues	
Receipts (ticket sales)	206.50
Total Balances and Receipts	3,463.61
Expenditures	
Supplies & Materials	1,742.14
Total Expenditures	1,742.14
Athletic Fund Balance End of year	1,721.47

OTHER REGULAR PROGRAMS

Balance Beginning of Year	74,012.91
Revenues	
Sales	134,827.29
Total Balances & Receipts	208,840.20
Expenditures	
Supplies & Materials	129,775.08
Total Expenditures	129,775.08
Other Regular Funds Balance End of Year	79,065.12

Revenue & Expenditures

Federal Programs

ECIA Block Grant	Bal. Forward	49.06	49.06	.00
PL 94-142 FY 87	Bal. Forward	112.63		112.63
PL 89-313 FY 87	Bal. Forward	1,918.52		1,918.52
Chpt. I FY 87	Bal. Forward	362.58		362.58
Teens Parenting FY 87		(1,967.29)		(1,967.29)
PL 89-313 FY 88	Bal. Forward	6,503.00	3,061.89	3,441.11
Chapter I FY 88	Bal. Forward	8,529.00		8,529.00
Chapter II FY 88	Bal. Forward	3,235.22	2,882.80	352.42
PL 94-142 FY 88		(13,280.84)	18,678.00	5,397.16
Sex Equity FY 88			948.94	948.94
Crisis Center FY 88		(1,889.18)	2,359.18	470.00
DYS Our House FY 88	Bal. Forward	11,395.00	11,395.00	.00
EESA FY 88 & 89		1,521.00	1,521.00	.00
Common. In Service FY 88	Bal. Forward	41.40	41.40	.00
Vocational Tool Kits	Bal. Forward	9,376.85	9,376.85	.00
Gov. Alliance Agst. Drugs	Bal. Forward	690.50	1,861.50	(1,171.00)
Capital Improvement		1,891.00	1,891.00	.00
School Couns. Health	Bal. Forward	199.64	199.64	.00
Academic Remediation FY 89		55,095.65	50,782.87	4,312.78
PL 94-142 FY 89		13,158.00	51,483.31	(38,325.31)
Commn. In Service FY 89		1,710.00	1,705.00	5.00
ECIA Block Grant thru 90		5,700.00	.00	5,700.00
DYS Summer Project Bldg.		9,747.50	9,747.50	.00
Applied Math		4,126.00	3,340.35	785.65
PL 89-313 FY 89		.00	3,854.00	(3,854.00)
EEO - Chpt. 70 A		.00	13,929.00	(13,929.00)

DYS Our House FY 89		11,200.00	5,325.00	5,875.00
Chpt. I FY 89		28,028.00	27,017.30	1,010.70
Apprentice Grant Supplies	Bal. Forward	200.00	.00	200.00
School Improvement	Bal. Forward	2,411.10	1,680.10	731.00
Lucretia Crocker	Bal. Forward	2,005.94	2,005.94	.00
Horace Mann	Bal. Forward	13,400.00	11,691.25	1,708.75
	(17,137.31)	214,593.71	221,657.86	(24,201.46)

Franklin County Technical School District
Operating and Capital Assessments

TOWN	Oct-88 ENROLLMENT	Oct-89 ENROLLMENT	FY 99 OPERATING	FY 91 OPERATING	INITIAL OP ASSESSMENTS	ORANGE BUY - IN		ASSESSMENT W/ BUY-IN	FISCAL CAPITAL	YEAR 1991 ASSESSMENTS	TOWN FY 91 TOTALS
	#	#	%	%	$	%	$	$	%	$	$
BERNARDSTON	28	19	6.14	4.67	110,735.92	5.38	6,423.35	104,312.58	3.104	1,480.69	105,793.26
BUCKLAND	13	12	2.85	2.95	69,938.48	3.40	4,056.85	65,881.63	3.045	1,452.23	67,333.85
COLRAIN	10	13	2.19	3.19	75,766.68	3.68	4,394.92	71,371.76	2.777	1,324.51	72,696.27
CONWAY	6	7	1.32	1.72	40,797.44	1.98	2,366.50	38,430.95	2.411	1,149.84	39,580.79
DEERFIELD	30	28	6.58	6.88	163,189.78	7.93	9,465.98	153,723.80	9.000	4,292.93	158,016.73
ERVING	21	24	4.61	5.90	139,876.95	6.80	8,113.70	131,763.25	3.958	1,887.90	133,651.15
GILL	7	4	1.54	.98	23,312.83	1.13	1,352.28	21,960.54	2.092	997.95	22,958.49
GREENFIELD	121	120	26.54	29.48	699,384.77	33.99	40,568.50	658,816.27	28.907	13,787.84	672,604.11
HEATH	11	13	2.41	3.19	75,766.68	3.68	4,394.92	71,371.76	1.181	563.44	71,935.20
LEYDEN	3	3	.66	.74	17,484.62	.85	1,014.21	16,470.41	.981	467.96	16,938.36
MONTAGUE	75	48	16.45	11.79	279,753.91	13.60	16,227.40	263,526.51	12.857	6,132.44	269,658.95
NEW SALEM	11	10	2.41	2.46	58,282.06	2.83	3,380.71	54,901.36	1.132	539.93	55,441.29
NORTHFIELD	19	12	4.17	2.95	69,938.48	3.40	4,056.85	65,881.63	4.497	2,145.11	68,026.74
ORANGE	47	54	10.31	13.27	314,723.14			314,723.14	9.738	4,644.77	319,367.92
SHELBURNE	6	9	1.32	2.21	52,453.86	2.55	3,042.64	49,411.22	3.465	1,652.76	51,063.98
SUNDERLAND	16	11	3.51	2.70	64,110.27	3.12	3,718.78	60,391.49	5.568	2,655.98	63,047.47
WARWICK	7	5	1.54	1.23	29,141.03	1.42	1,690.35	27,450.68	1.207	575.81	28,026.49
WENDELL	17	11	3.73	2.70	64,110.27	3.12	3,718.78	60,391.49	1.085	517.51	60,909.00
WHATELY	8	4	1.75	.98	23,312.83	1.13	1,352.28	21,960.54	2.995	1,428.41	23,388.95
TOTALS	456	407	100.00	100.00	2,372,080.00	100.00	119,339.00	2,252,741.00	100.000	47,698.00	2,300,439.00

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