

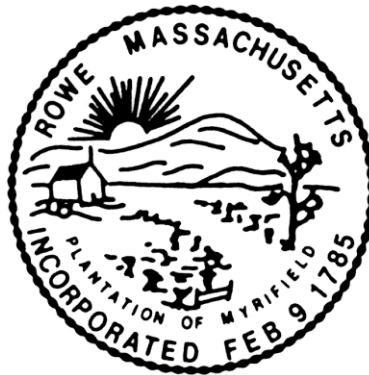
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Annual Report

of the

Town of Rowe

Massachusetts



for the Year Ending

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TOWN OF ROWE – TOWN INFORMATION & MEETING SCHEDULES

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Accountant:	accountant@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 12	Wednesday	9-4 or by Appointment
Administrative Clerk:	admin@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 11	M/T/W/F	9-5 or by Appointment
Animal Control Officer: (Assistant)	ahsamuelson@gmail.com	917-209-0524		On Call
Assessors' Clerk:	collector@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 19	M/T/W/Th	8:00am – 2:00pm
Board of Health Clerk:	boh@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 16		by Appointment
Board of Selectmen:	admin@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 10		by Appointment
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EMERGENCY		9-1-1		
Fire Chief	firechief@rowe-ma.gov	339-4001		On Call
Highway Superintendent	dpwhighway@rowe-ma.gov	339-5588	M/T/W/Th/F	6:30am- 4:30pm
Library Director	rowelibrary@gmail.com	339-4761	T/W/S	10-5 (Tu Sat) 1-8 (Wed)
Park Ranger	roweparkdept@hotmail.com	339-8554	M/T/W/Th/F	
Police Chief:	policechief@rowe-ma.gov	339-8340	Wednesday	5:30-7:30pm & On Call
Rowe School	contact@roweschool.org	413-512-5100	M/T/W/Th/F	
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BOARD/COMMISSION

FREQUENCY

LOCATION

Board of Selectmen	Wednesdays (3:00pm)	Rowe Town Hall
Assessors	Monthly (as posted)	Rowe Town Hall
Board of Health	Twice Monthly (as posted) Thursdays (6pm)	Rowe Town Hall
Cemetery Commission	As needed	Rowe Town Hall
Conservation Commission	As needed	Rowe Town Hall
Council on Aging	Monthly - First Thursday (10:00am)	Gracy House
Finance Committee	As needed	Rowe Town Hall
Library Trustees	Monthly (as posted)	Rowe Town Library
Park Commission	First Monday Monthly – as posted (6:30pm)	Rowe Town Hall
Planning Board	As needed	Rowe Town Hall
School Committee	Monthly – (as posted)	Rowe School

All Board, Committee and Commission meetings are held as posted on the Town Hall Official Bulletin Board per MA Open Meeting Law, with the agenda posted at least 48 hours (not including Saturdays, Sundays or legal holidays) prior to the time and date of the meeting. Please check official bulletin board as meeting dates/times may change. All meetings are public and citizens are encouraged to attend. Also posted on Town website www.rowe-ma.gov

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IN FOND REMEMBRANCE 2015



June Brown
January 29, 1932 – November 23
Served as Town Treasurer 1992-1997



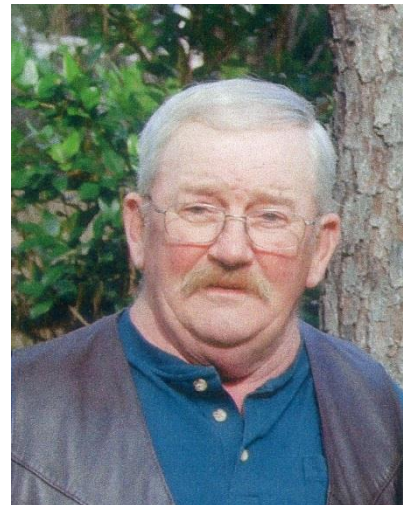
Marion Dandeneau
August 7, 1924 – May 12



Betty Scrivens
December 2, 1924 – July 2



Wendell Stetson
August 19, 1931- May 8



Joseph Vadeboncoeur
March 18, 1946 – September 4

Not Pictured :

Francis Benson – October 10, 1926 – May 2, 2015

John Rossi – June 28, 1942 – December 5, 2015



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Annual Town Meeting May 11, 2015

BOARD OF SELECTMEN 2015

The Board of Selectmen (BOS) signed an agreement with the North Adams Ambulance Service (NAAS) this year. Although we are very grateful to the Charlemont Ambulance Service and all the volunteers for their many years of dedicated, selfless service to Rowe, the logistics meant that wait times for responses to emergencies here in Rowe were extraordinarily long.

After studying the dispatch logs, it became apparent that strokes, cardiac events, trauma, and asthmatic cases were waiting more often than not for up to and over 50 minutes for an ambulance. Then the trip to the hospital which took at least another 45 minutes where treatment could be started. The NAAS is able to get to Rowe in 25 minutes.

The NAAS is staffed 24/7 with paramedics who are able to start IV's, 12-lead EKGs, and being in contact with the ER doctors can begin certain treatments before the journey to the hospital which of course saves valuable time.

The BOS has applied for grants from the Franklin County Regional Housing and Redevelopment Authority. We are hoping to receive funds for Rowe residents which will enable home repair and rehabilitation as well as home heating assistance.

The BOS is working closely with the Finance Committee on all financial matters. Both boards are committed to fiscal responsibility and will not dip into the Town's savings accounts to fund operating expenses. The day to day town operations will be financed from taxation, in keeping with advisement from the Massachusetts Department of Revenue as being sound fiscal management. The BOS continues to put money from Free Cash into the Stabilization Fund.

The careful husbandry of our resources has meant an increase in Free Cash for the past two years, which in turn means increased savings to be used for capital projects. Big ticket items on the immediate horizon include painting the Town Hall Complex buildings and repair of the slate roof on the Town Hall.

The Gazebo has been fully repaired. It had deteriorated to such an extent that it was rotted throughout and had become unsafe. It will be painted in the Spring of 2016.

The sign over the main entrance to the Town Hall has been repainted. The overgrown trees at the same entrance have been taken down to allow light and air to circulate. Lack of that circulation had caused rotting of the window frames and ledges as well as clapboards on the front of the building.

The ceiling tiles in the exercise room on the second floor of Town Hall have been replaced. The tiles had deteriorated due to age and were falling and flaking down. The Town Hall was power-washed, and all the windows cleaned inside and out.

The sidewalk in front of Town Hall has been repaired; that also had seen great deterioration and was badly chipped and gouged. An extra walkway was put in leading from the Town Hall to the mail boxes so that people will not slip on the muddy ground.

The Town of Rowe is fully behind the Last Mile, the effort to bring high speed internet service to Western Ma. The vote for a Debt Exclusion for the purpose of funding the Town's share of this project passed unanimously at the Annual Town Meeting, and passed easily at the ballot at the Annual Town Election.

It was discovered that none of the Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) worked because the batteries were all dead. This has been rectified and the AEDs are on a maintenance schedule to ensure proper functioning at all times. Also the software for the AEDs will be continually updated.

The fire extinguishers have all been either replaced or recharged.

The Town Hall elevator passed the annual inspection: The new elevator company, hired in July 2015, renewed the elevator license with the State contingent upon repairs being performed to the elevator maintenance room. Various parts of the elevator maintenance room system were far out of code

The smoke detection system in Town Hall was likewise defective. Some detectors did not work, others were 25 years old and out of code. This came to light in Dec. 2015 and will be remedied in early 2016.

The Town Hall complex septic system is now on a regular pumping schedule.

Intensive work has been done to craft the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan for Rowe. Working closely with Kimberly MacPhee of the Franklin Regional Council of Governments, Susan Gleason, Walter Quist, Janice Boudreau, Ed May, Selmi Hyytinen, Julie Shippee, Jenn Morse, and Lance Larned have identified hazards which could impact the community such as winter storms, hurricanes, and fire. Funding for the plan development was provided by grants from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Approval of the plan will enable reduced flood insurance premiums for policy holders under the National Flood Insurance Program, as well as position Rowe for grants pertaining to planning for and restoration from damage.

Regrettably, several thefts occurred at the Town Hall Complex this year; a break-in at the Highway garage with the loss of equipment and tools, and thefts of fuel from the fuel pumps. Security measures have been implemented.

We would like to remind citizens that although a great effort is made to meet the needs of everyone, it is not always possible to do so. Sometimes what is desirable to one person may not be to another. All of our department heads try their very best to accommodate the many and varied requests they receive, but ultimately it is the good of the Town as a whole which must prevail, and our department heads have this goal in mind at all times.

We are very thankful and appreciative of the efforts of all the volunteers in Rowe who work in the “front” and behind the scenes on the various boards and committees.

We welcome input, questions and comments, from all citizens. We are also grateful for the civility which now prevails at Board meetings and Town Meetings. The work of the Town can best be accomplished in this atmosphere of openness and respect for each other.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marilyn Wilson
Sue Gleason
Walt Quist

BOARD OF ASSESSORS 2015

Membership of the Board changed this year as **Carrie Silva** chose not to run for re-election. Former Board member **Ellen Miller** was elected to a three-year term at the annual town elections in May 2015. The Board would like to thank Carrie for her years of service to the Board. Board members nominated and elected **Rick Williams** to serve again as Chair.

The Board would like to thank **Sandy Daviau**, Assessor's Clerk, for her handling of the day-to-day tasks in the Assessor's Office. Sandy has a good deal of contact with the public and always manages to be gracious and helpful to everyone.

The Assessors continue to utilize **Patriot Properties' AssessPro** assessing software and **Cartographic Associates' Query Manager** GIS mapping software. **Mayflower Valuations** continues to provide annual residential appraisal consulting services.

The following items were addressed at the routine monthly meetings, as needed: **building permits** received from the building inspector were reviewed and flagged for the annual field verification...**survey plans** and **deeds** recording property transfers received from the Franklin County Registry of Deeds were reviewed and compared to tax maps for verification of data and adjustments were made to affected property cards...**tax map changes** were documented and forwarded to the mapping service for update...**Form of List** (personal property declaration) returns received from taxpayers were reviewed and filed...and **real estate, personal property, and motor vehicle excise tax bill warrants and commitments and any applicable abatement applications** were reviewed and approved, as required.

Based on the **FY16** interim year update **sales analysis** for Rowe, residential property home values increased ~5% whereas building lot values and excess land values remained unchanged. The resulting **total town valuation** for **FY16** increased by ~1.6% to **\$294,751,591**.

The **FY16 tax rates** of **\$6.03** for Residential and **\$13.31** for Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property (CIP) were set on October 7 at a Classification Hearing with the Board of Selectmen. This contrasts to the previous fiscal year tax rates of **\$5.90** for Residential and **\$13.01** for CIP.

According to Mass Department of Revenue (DOR) municipal databank records for **FY16**, Rowe had the 8th lowest **residential tax rate** and the 3rd lowest **average single family tax bill** in the state (**\$1,256**).

Reminder...the so-called **Proposition 2½ Levy Limit** restricts the amount of money that Rowe can appropriate each year from taxation. By law this limit increases only 2.5% each year (**\$81,080** for Rowe for **FY16**). Despite our relatively low tax rate and enviable low tax bills, the Town has been bumping up against its Prop 2½ Levy Limit for many years now and has had to make cuts, defer projects, or utilize other "available funds" from Free Cash and the Stabilization Fund to balance the regular operating budget and to pay for special projects.

Please feel free to visit the Assessor's Office during posted office hours or posted monthly meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick N. (Rick) Williams, Chairman
Heidi Cousineau
Ellen Miller

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE 2015

This year the Beautification Committee replaced the Town Common's Well Sweep done by Jim Lively and with the much appreciated help of the Highway Department. Hardy Rose bushes were added to the rail fence at the Veteran's memorial. Christiana Lively again planted and maintains the Zoar road's water trough while Jodi Brown with Becky Richardson's help gets extra thanks for the ongoing watering of the Town Hall fountain and other plantings through this dry hot Summer.

Respectfully submitted,

Thom Chiofalo, Chair
Jodi Brown
Chris Tower
Janice Boudreau, Secretary

CEMETERY COMMISSION 2015

During 2015 the Cemetery Commission continued to employ Levin Hardison to repair damaged and leaning tombstones in the West and East cemeteries. In past years he has repaired and rebuilt the stonewalls at all three cemeteries and continues to monitor the walls, making minor repairs as required. Levin's craftsmanship is outstanding and we are grateful for the work he does for the town.

We are also grateful for the continuing hard work performed by Terry Veber and Al Morse as they maintain the cemetery grounds, mowing, trimming and raking throughout the growing season.

During 2016 the Commission will oversee the continuing repair of damaged and tilting stones while exploring the possibility of preventive measures that might be employed to mitigate the damage

Cemetery lots are available in the East and West cemeteries. Please contact Chairman Jim Williams at 339-4731 for additional information concerning purchasing a lot(s).

Anyone with questions or comments, please contact any commissioner.

Respectfully submitted,

James H. Williams, Chair
Earl P. Carlow
Myra Bennett Carlow

CONSERVATION COMMISSION 2015

The five-member Conservation Commission met monthly and as needed to address matters brought before it during the calendar year 2015. In June Ramon Sanchez was elected Co-chair to serve with Myra Carlow. In January 2016 Myra resigned as Co-chair and Ramon was elected unanimously to be Chairman of the Commission.

The following paragraphs describe the activities of the Conservation Commission during the calendar year 2015.

Issued Enforcement Order and Emergency Certificate

07/03/15 The Commission issued an *Enforcement Order* to Lisa Bryant regarding logging activities being performed in a Riverfront area. Work at the site was immediately suspended and all equipment was removed a day or two later.

10/01/15 The Commission issued an *Emergency Certificate* which allowed the Department of Public Works to perform work to replace the old stone culvert which collapsed on Davis Mine Road, causing a significant road hazard.

10/30/15 The repair work was completed.

Receipt of Request for Determination of Applicability (RDA, WPA Form 1)

07/10/15 64 Dell Road, James and Deborah Lively, proposed foundation for a new 24' by 36' cape house.

07/17/15 Conservation Commission issued a *Negative Determination* (**WPA Form 2**) with conditions allowing the work to proceed.

10/18/15 Sibley Road, Rowe Energy Committee, proposed 11' by 11' concrete pad adjacent to DPW garage.

10/28/15 Conservation Commission issued a *Negative Determination* (WPA Form 2) with conditions allowing the work to proceed.

Receipt of Notice of Intent (NOI, WPA Form 3)

02/06/15 BSC Group submitted a *NOI* on behalf of TransCanada for a remediation project on the Deerfield River bank at Dam Number 5, south of the Depot St. Bridge.

05/06/15 Commission issued the *Order Of Conditions* (**WPA Form 5**) allowing the work to proceed with conditions. Work proceeded during the remainder of 2015 and is expected to be completed in early 2016.

08/06/15 New England Environmental submitted a *NOI* on behalf of Bear Swamp Power Company/Brookfield Renewable Energy to create the Bear Swamp Hiking Trail from Monroe Bridge to Zoar Gap.

09/04/15 Commission issued the *Order of Conditions* (**WPA Form 5**) allowing the work to proceed with conditions. Work was completed and a *Request for Certificate of Completion* was submitted to the Commission in early 2016.

In late 2015 BSC Group, on behalf of New England Power Co/National Grid, contacted the Commission regarding a proposed project to decommission a well in the Right of Way 20 feet off Potter Road. The *NOI* was received in January Of 2016.

Request from Franklin County Cooperative Inspectional Program (FCCIP) to Review Applications for Building Permits

At the request of the FCCIP, the Conservation Commission reviewed the Building Permit Applications and made site visits *to five separate locations* to determine if the proposed construction would violate Massachusetts Wetland protection laws. Four applications were approved and the other one required the submission of a *Request for Determinability for Applicability (RDA)*.

Other Meetings with Property Owners

The Conservation Commission held conversations and/or meetings with two property owners regarding questions of compliance with Wetlands Protection Act. All matters were resolved to the Commission's satisfaction.

Training and Education

Members of the Commission participated in educational and training activities during the course of the year. These courses were provided by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissioners (MACC), and private consultants. The formats have included classroom instruction, on-line classes and fieldwork.

Respectfully submitted,

Ramon Luis Sanchez, Chair
Prudence Berry
Myra Bennett Carlow
Robert Clancy
Virginia Gabert

ENERGY COMMITTEE 2015

In 2015 the Rowe Energy Committee's focus shifted from residential energy usage enhancement to town building improvement. This was because the Green Communities Grant application changed its project qualifications.

At the May, 2015 STM the town voted to commit \$28,000 in expectation of receiving \$154,776 from Green Communities. The grant was awarded in the full amount. The following projects have been undertaken:

- In December, Sandri Energy of Greenfield replaced the oil-fired boiler in the DPW Garage with an industrial wood pellet boiler. This will reduce the Town's dependence on foreign oil and utilized wood pellets, a regional resource.

In early 2016, Sandri Energy is also expected to complete the installation of a Mini-Split Heat Pumps (one primary unit and three area Project completed extensions of the unit) in the Town Library. This effort will offset the current oil-fired burner and as an indirect benefit provide air conditioning and humidity control.

- Insulation and air sealing upgrades to Town Hall, Library, & DPW Garage are also underway and are expected to be completed by late March. These efforts will help reduce heat loss and ice buildup.

All contracts were bid and completed according to Mass Municipal Guidelines under the direction of FRCOG (Franklin Country Regional Council of Governments).

Insulation and air sealing upgrades were planned for the Public Safety Building but will be postponed because of higher than expected wage costs made it impossible to complete all four municipal buildings at this time.

Evaluations of these expected energy savings will be compiled in 2016. We fully expect the qualifications for being a Green Community will be met by these improvements.

Residential enhancements continue to be a priority for the Energy Committee. We strongly encourage residents to contact Coop Power of Hatfield for free efficiency evaluations.

The following persons deserve our town's thanks for their contributions: Sue Wood (service completed in 2015), Michael Phillips and Kelle Quist (began committee work in 2015), Andrea Woods (FRCOG advisor), and Walt Quist, interim chair. Walt was the primary organizational force in completion of the above projects. His work will save our town energy costs and carbon emissions. Additional thanks goes to the: Rowe Conservation Commission; Lance Learned, DPW Superintendent; and Molly Lane, Library Director: for their patience and cooperation during the installation process.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Zavotka, Member
Rowe Energy Committee

Committee Members
Deb Katz
Michael Phillips
Kelle Quist
Walt Quist (Chairman)
Wayne Zavotka



Pellet Silo at DPW Garage
Photograph by Kelle Quist

FINANCE COMMITTEE 2015

Working under the able leadership of Wayne Zavotka, and in collaboration with the Board of Selectmen, your Finance Committee sought to assume a consultative role in the formulation of the Town Budget.

With a full complement of members, we have taken this idea one step further. As part of an initiative to introduce best practices, each member of the board has assumed a responsibility to work with a specific department. In this way, it is hoped that each member will ultimately be a specialist in that department's budgeting process and thus, be a genuine resource in future budgeting cycles.

Your Finance Committee is resolved to continue the tradition of living within our means; presenting Town Meeting with a balanced budget without the need for a Proposition 21/2 override.

Respectfully submitted:

Raymond Wilson, Chair
Loretta Dionne
Dennis May
Mitch Soviecke
Wayne Zavotka

PLANNING BOARD 2015

PLANNING BOARD ORGANIZATION

In the election in May, Robin Reed was re-elected to a five-year term. The board elected David Roberson to serve as Chairman and as representative to the Franklin Regional Planning Board. Doug Wilson was elected as Scribe (legally, the Secretary or Clerk). The board was advised and represented by Greenfield attorney Donna MacNicol, who is also Town Counsel.

PERMITTING

In May, the board held a joint public hearing with Highway Superintendent and Tree Warden Lance Larned concerning extensive tree removal on Monroe Hill Road and several nearby roads in town ("Monroe Hill Re-conductoring/Feeder Tie Project"). The cutting operation was permitted, subject to conditions including that any pole or wire installations necessitating tree removal must have previously been permitted by the Board of Selectmen.

The Planning Board held a public hearing in August on a request by David Gregory Poehlein for a Special Permit for short-term rental of a portion of his home on Zoar Road. There were no objections by abutters or other members of the public. After deliberation, the board found that the proposed use would not have adverse effects which would outweigh the beneficial effects, and the Special Permit was granted by unanimous affirmative vote. Later in the year, the board became aware that some other property owners in Rowe were marketing their properties as short-term rentals without having been granted permits, and efforts were made to contact these parties to inform them of the town's bylaws and ensure they are being fairly applied.

SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC PLANT APPEAL DISMISSED

In 2013, the Planning Board held hearings on a request by applicant Seaboard Solar for Special Permit and Site Plan Review for a large solar photovoltaic installation on land belonging to Planning Board member Bob Dykeman and his wife Mary Ann on Tunnel Road. In 2014, after deliberation, the board was evenly split on the proposal and eligible members voted 2-2, thus denying approval for the project. Seaboard Solar then appealed the Planning Board's decision in Franklin Superior Court. All four eligible members were named in the lawsuit, but the appellants also alleged malfeasance by David Roberson and Robin Reed, who had voted against the proposal. David and Robin were subsequently deposed and questioned under oath by Seaboard's attorneys, and later engaged in mediation presided over by a retired judge. In June 2015, Seaboard withdrew their complaint, waiving all rights of appeal and bringing an end to the lawsuit.

GOAL POST

Planning Board has published the *Goal Post* for forty years, striving to create a town newsletter that is, foremost, informative on the affairs of town government as well as an enjoyable source of community news and entertainment. Editorial guidelines have been adopted in an effort to ensure that the *Goal Post*, being a town publication, serves to inform but not persuade voters on political or religious issues, as well as addressing other concerns such as protecting the privacy of minors. To free up space, it was decided to publish these guidelines in the newsletter only once a year. They have been posted to the town website and are available by request from the Planning Board.

In mid-June, *Goal Post* editor Paul McLatchy III announced that he was resigning upon publication of the July issue. With such short notice there was no feasible way to produce an August issue, and the Planning Board advertised for the position and interviewed three applicants who were deemed to be potentially suitable candidates. As one of these applicants was Doug Wilson, a member of the Planning Board, legal advice was sought to ensure that he was not disqualified from applying by virtue of his position and to avoid conflict of interest should he be selected as the board's choice. After deliberation, the four eligible Planning Board members voted to make editorship of the *Goal Post* a specified duty of the Secretary (Clerk), with compensation set at \$500 for each completed issue. Doug was informed of the board's decision and accepted the appointment.

PLANNING AND ZONING

The board continued reviewing Rowe's bylaws, although the level of workload as well as the pending litigation slowed our efforts somewhat. Sections that were relevant to the photovoltaic application were tabled until it was clear that the lawsuit was over. Nevertheless, the board made significant progress in drafting the proposed protective zoning bylaws that we hope will be endorsed by a super-majority of voters. Our work on this issue continues in 2016.

Respectfully submitted by David Roberson, for the Planning Board,

Rowe Planning Board:
David Roberson, Chairman
Doug Wilson, Scribe
Jodi Brown
Bob Dykeman
Robin Reed

TOWN CLERK – APPOINTEES SWORN TO DUTY / RESIGNATIONS 2015

Accountant – 3 Year Term

Tracey Baronas

Administrative Assistant

Sandra P. Daviau

Agent for Veterans

Leo Parent

Agricultural Commission

Susan Gleason

Animal Control Officer - Regional

Ed Grinnell

Animal Control Officer – Town

Arthur Samuelson

Animal Control Officer – Relief

Henry Dandeneau

Assistant Treasurer

Sandra P. Daviau

Beautification Committee

Jo-ann M. Brown

Thomas L. Chiofalo

Christine Tower

Board of Registrars

Lisa Danek Burke

Kerri McLatchy

Jennifer Morse

Willian Parent

Broadband Committee

David Dvore

Russell Jolly

Dan Wessman

Conservation Commission

Prudence Berry

Myra Carlow

Virginia Gabert

Ramon Sanchez

Constable

Sandra P. Daviau

Council on Aging

Marilyn Belval

Jo-ann M. Brown

Sandra P. Daviau

Mary Ann Dykeman

Doris Fensky

Christine A. Tower

Shirley Veber

Cultural Council

Anne Besgen

Joann Brown

Susan Wood

Ellynn Packard

Kelle Quist

DPW Superintendent

Lance Larned

Election Tellers / Workers

Pru Berry

JoAnn Brown

Myra Carlow

Brianna Demech

Deb Lively

Marjorie B. Morse (Election Clerk)

Robin Reed (Warden)

Christine Tower

Ramon Sanchez

Shirley Veber

Emergency Management Director

Community Emergency Response Coord.

Hazardous Materials Control Officer

Ed May

Emergency Medical Service Director

C. Selmi Hyytinen

Energy Committee

Deborah Katz

Michael Phillips

Kelle Quist

Walter Quist

Wayne Zavotka

Environmental Officer

Lance Larned

Field Driver

Sandra A. Daviau

Fire Chief

Brandon A. Sprague

Fire Department Administrative Assistant

Jennifer Morse

Forest Fire Warden

Brandon A. Sprague

FC Coop Inspection Program Rep

Janice Boudreau

FC Solid Waste Management District Rep

Jennifer Morse

**Franklin Regional Council of Governments
Rep (FRCOG)**

Marilyn Wilson

Franklin Regional Planning Board Rep

David Robertson

FC Transit Authority Rep

Marilyn Wilson

Inspector of Buildings - Alternate

James Hawkins –FCCIP

Keeper of the Dams

Henry Dandeneau

Julie Shippee (Alternate)

Measurer of Wood, Bark & Lumber

Thomas P. Danek, Jr

James H. Williams

Robert Rice

Mohawk Woodlands Partnership Rep

Walter J. Quist

Municipal Light Plant Manager

Walter J. Quist

Old Home Day Committee

Mackenzi Coulombe

Brianne Cousineau

Loretta Dionne

Jennifer Morse

Mary Paige

Willian Parent

Robin Reed

Kevin Parent

Steven Fisher

Police/Special Police Officers

C. Selmi Hyytinen

Melinda Herzig

Jarod Bellows

Henry Dandeneau

Holland Herzig

Margo Newton

Pound Keeper

Sandra P. Daviau

**Superintendent of Insect, Pest, Elm Disease
Control**

Lance Larned

Town Nurse

Appointed by Board of Health

Sheila Litchfield

Town Counsel

Donna MacNichol

Transfer Station Attendants

Appointed by Board of Health

Ted Palmer

James Lively

Julie Shippee (Alternate)

Treasurer

Marcella Stafford Gore Resigned 5/27/15

Kris Nartowitz

Tree Warden

Lance Larned

**WiredWest Communications Cooperative
Corporation Delegate**

Marilyn Wilson

David Dvore (Alternate)

Yankee Land Committee

Walter J. Quist

**Yankee Atomic Electric Co. Citizen
Advisory Board**

Walter J. Quist

Gail May

Marilyn Wilson

Zoning Board of Appeals

Robert Dykeman

Russell Jolly

TOWN CLERK – LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS 2015

	Term
Board of Assessors	
Ellen Miller	2018
Board of Health	
Jennifer Morse	2018
Board of Selectmen	
Marilyn Wilson	2018
Cemetery Commission	
Myra Carlow	2018
Finance Committee	
Dennis May	2018
Finance Committee	
Loretta Dionne	*
Library Trustee	
Catherine Snyder	2018
Park Commissioner	
Rich Hamilton	2018
Planning Board	
Robin Reed	2020
School Committee	
Gail May	2018

*Loretta Dionne was appointed by the Board of Selectmen to fill the Finance Committee seat until Annual Town Election May 201

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION RESULTS 2015

Saturday, May 16, 2015

167 Voted/270 Total Registered Voters

Temporary Warden: Marjorie Morse
Clerk: Deb Lively
Election Workers: Shirley Veber, Christine Tower, Brianna Demech, Jodi Brown
Constable: Robert Dykeman

Board of Assessors (3 Years)

Ellen Miller	79
Dan Burke	72
Blanks	14
All Others	2

Board of Health (3 Years)

Jennifer Morse	124
Blanks	37
All Others	6

Board of Selectmen (3 Years)

Marilyn Wilson	91
Paul McLatchy III	72
Blanks	4

Cemetery Commission (3 Years)

Myra Carlow	114
All Others	7
Blanks	46

Finance Committee (3 Years) – Two Seats

Earl Carlow	89
Dennis May	72
Ellen Miller	12
Sharon Hudson	7
Blanks	34
All Others	3

Library Trustee (3 Years)

Catherine Snyder	147
Blanks	20

Park Commissioner (3 Years)

Rich Hamilton	125
Loretta Dionne	11
Blanks	28
All Others	3

Planning Board (5 Years)

Robin Reed	125
Maryanne Dykeman	9
Blanks	27
All Others	6

School Committee (3 Years)

Gail May	133
Blanks	25
All Others	9

Question 1: Shall the Town of Rowe be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds to be issued in order to fund the Town's share of the costs of construction, installation and start-up of a regional broadband network, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, such project to be carried out by the Town's Municipal Light Plant acting as a member of a cooperative of such Plants formed under Chapter 164, Section 47C of the General Laws?

YES	130
NO	27
BLANKS	10

Results Submitted By:

Marjorie Morse

Temporary Election Warden- Town of Rowe

May 16, 2015

A true copy, Attest:: 
Jennifer Morse Rowe Town Clerk

Date: _____

TOWN CLERK – DOG LICENSES 2015

OWNERS NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER	DOGS NAME	SEX	AGE	BREED
Laurie Pike	25 Middletown Hill Road	339-4232	Calusa	SF	3	Chocolate Lab/Dalmation
Rebecca Bradley	51 Middletown Hill Road	339-0107	Jolie	SF	3	Austrailian Blue Heeler
June Brown	110 County Road	339-5521	Toby	NM	10	German Shepherd
Jeanette & Howard					7	
Crowningshield	106 Zoar Road	339-4406	Sadie	SF		Chihuahua
Deb Lively	4 Stone Hill Road	339-4943	Cricket	F	3.5	Red Heeler
Jim Lively	4 Stone Hill Road	339-4943	Chief	M	6	Aust. Shepherd (Cattle Dog)
Earl Carlow	42 Ford Hill Road	339-8535	Bruno	NM	11	Boxer/Lab
Henry Dandeneau	272 Zoar Road	339-4295	Kate	F	1	Brittany Spaniel
Jim Williams & Kris Swenson	106 Middletown Hl Rd	339-4949	Miss T	SF	8	Shepherd Mix
Sandy Daviau	17 Potter Road	339-8343	Shakira	SF	3	Chihuahua
			Lexus		11	
Sandy Daviau	17 Potter Road	339-8343	Magie	SF		Cocker Spaniel
Sandy Daviau	17 Potter Road	339-8343	Gabby	SF	14	Mini Poodle
Christine Tower	234 Zoar Road	339-4736	Emma	SF	4	Pug
Robert Rice	88 Davis Mine Road	339-4492	Annie	SF	13	Black Lab
Loretta Dionne	21 Hazelton Road	339-5326	Chora	M	4	Mixed Breed
Debbie & Steve					3	
Crowningshield	450 Tunnel Road	337-5561	Charley	SF		Choc Lab
Jenna & Matt	16 Newell Cross Road	337-5566	Dozer	M	3	Chihuahua
Crowningshield					2	
Jenna & Matt	16 Newell Cross Road	337-5566	Diesel	M		Black Silver Lab
Crowningshield					6	
Jenna & Matt	16 Newell Cross Road	337-5566	Pepper	NM		Dalmation
Kathy Sprague	242 Ford Hill Road	339-4936	Pheobe	SF	9	Choc Lab
Kathy Sprague	242 Ford Hill Road	339-4936	Kody	M	5	Choc Lab
Kathy Sprague	242 Ford Hill Road	339-4936	Piper	F	10	Lab/Retriever
Brittani Sprague	40 Shippee Road	339-4762	Moose	M	4	Chocolate Lab
Brian & Laurie Ash	6 Pine Hill Drive	339-0267	Numan	NM	13	Retriever/Golden
Brian & Laurie Ash	6 Pine Hill Drive	339-0267	Kramer	NM	10	Retriever/Labrador
Linda Avery	276 Zoar Road	339-4997	Gizzy	F	6	Collie Mix
Linda Avery	276 Zoar Road	339-4997	Bud D Bear	M	1	Datusn/York Mix
Leonda Hardison	22 Tunnel Road	664-1032	Ivy	SF	8	Lab
James Sousa	99 Brittingham Hill	337-4999	Milo	M	6	Border Collie
Laura Roberson	539 Tunnel Road	339-4220	Meadow	SF	13	Malinois
					7	Belgian Malinois Mix
Laura Roberson	539 Tunnel Road	339-4220 nl	Honey	SF		
Brandon & Jenn					3	
Morse Sprague	162 Zoar Road	339-4945	Lilly	SF		Chocolate Lab
Sean & Leann	63 Middletown Hill Road	339-8573	Parker	SF	2	Golden Lab Mix
Loomis					3	
Sean & Leann	63 Middletown Hill Road	339-8573	Dexter	NM		Mixed Breed
Loomis					1	
Robert & Karen Markert	377 Tunnel Road	337-4268	Shatzi	SF		Great Pyrennes
Robert & Karen Markert					4	
Robert & Karen Markert	377 Tunnel Road	337-4268	Grant	NM		Great Pyrennes

Ellynn and Jack Packard	47 Stone Hill Road	337-4868	Bonnie	SF	3.5	Maltese
Walter and Kelle Quist	4 Ford Hill Road	339-4718	Teddy	NM	7	Schipperke
M. Arlene Andognini	163 Hazelton Road	339-8802	Misha	M	11	Terrier
Virginia Gary	141 Cyrus Stage Road	339-4399	Brady	M	8	Choc Lab
Virginia Gary	141 Cyrus Stage Road	339-4399	Cocoa	SF	3	Peke Mix
Virginia Gary	141 Cyrus Stage Road	339-4399	Snoopy	M	3	Boston Terr Mix
Robert & Carrie Silva	123 Davis Mine Road	339-4249	Camo	M	5	Choc Lab Retriever
Pete Brown	16 Shumway Road	339-4707	Shiloh	M	7	Beagle Mix
Marilyn Wilson	37 Potter Road	337-5306	Cassie	SF	9	Bichon Frise
Marilyn Wilson	37 Potter Road	339-5713	Tommy	M	5	Bichon Frise
Stanley Zielonka	48 Old Cyrus Stage Road	339-5359	Daisy Mae	SF	6	Poodle, Toy
Stanley Zielonka	48 Old Cyrus Stage Road	339-5359	Princess	SF	7	Phantom Teacup Poodle
Stanley Zielonka	48 Old Cyrus Stage Road	339-5359	Lollipop	SF	5	Poodle, Miniature
Crystal Kindle	276 Zoar Road	339-4997	Bentley	SF	1	Dach/Yorkie
Crystal Kindle	276 Zoar Road	339-4997	JoJo	SF	9	Terr Mix
Crystal Kindle	276 Zoar Road	339-4997	Maggie	SF	6	Dach Mix
Jen Rice	85 Ford Hill Road	339-6625	Milo	M	6	Great Dane
Jen Rice	85 Ford Hill Road	339-6625	Otis	M	5	Great Dane
Mike & Laurie Laffond	208 Hazelton Road	337-4869	Cam	NM	11	Golden Retriever
Mike & Laurie Laffond	208 Hazelton Road	337-4869	Daisy	SF	5	Yorkshire Terrier
Dan & Claudine Poplawski	37 Shippee Road	337-4349	Shadow	SF	5	Lab/Retriever
Deb Katz	80 Davenport Road	339-4374	Gordon	NM	10	Setter
Rebecca Katz	80 Davenport Road	339-4374	Cooper	M	6	Maltese Pom. Mix
Deb Katz	80 Davenport Road	339-4374	Juno	NM	6	Great Pyrennes
Ken and Doris Fensky	93 Brittingham Hill Road	337-4829	Daisey Mae	SF	5	Border Collie
Robert & Karen Markert	377 Tunnel Road	337-4268	Grant	NM	5	Great Pyrennes
Kevin & Willian Parent	39 Stone Hill Road	339-4093	Lefty	SF	4	Beagle Mix
Sharon Hudson	15 Newell Cross Road	339-4214	Stella	SF	4	Shih Tzu
Darlene & Oral Jackson	88 Hazelton Road	339-8607	Cody	NM	10	German Shepherd
Paul and Leslie McLatchy	17 Newell Cross Road	339-6667	Rylee	SF	10	Lab/Bull Mastiff
Paul and Leslie McLatchy	17 Newell Cross Road	339-6667	Tucker	M	6	Chocolate Lab
Lance & Danielle Larned	26 Newell CrossRoad	339-4461	Ellie	SF	9	Australian Shepard
Ken & Julie Shippee	Newell Cross Road	339-4382	Chevy Sweet	SF	4	Lab Mix
Wayne and Susie Zavotka	505 Tunnel Road	339-0135	Annie	SF	3	Lab Retriever
Robert Clancy/Lisa Miller	12 County Branch Road	339-9918	Scout	NM	1.5	Dalmation Mix

Jeff & Maggie Parent	32 Shippee Road	339-5714	Bailey	SF	8 mo.	Black Lab
Jeff & Maggie Parent	32 Shippee Road	339-5714	Destiny	SF	3	Chocolate Lab
Sue Wood	19 Stone Road	339-4446	Tessie	SF	6	Beagle Mix (Rescue)
Heidi Cousineau	30 Old Cyrus Stage	339-8587	Kodei	SF	10	Shiba Inu
Heidi Cousineau	30 Old Cyrus Stage	339-8587	Kasey	M	8	Shiba Inu
Heidi Cousineau	30 Old Cyrus Stage	339-8587	Mollie	SF	6	Shiba Inu
Buster Reed	48 Hazelton Road	339-4752	Lucy	F	1	Siberian Husky
Buster Reed	48 Hazelton Road	339-4752	Shadow	M	1	Siberian Husky
Dennis & Anna Humbert	530 Tunnel Road	339-4757	Bella	SF	8	Lab
Brian and Andrea Crowningshield	245 Zoar Road	339-0149	Duke	M	1	Mixed Breed
Brian and Andrea Crowningshield	245 Zoar Road	339-0149	Lily	F	3	Chihuahua
Susan Williams	7 Middletown Hill Road	339-6647	Sybil	SF	1	Mixed Breed
Jon & Carol Lively	11 Petrie Road	339-0252	Skittles	SF	6	Lab Mix
Joanne Semanie	59 Middletown Hill Road	339-6667	Chester	NM	4	Lab Mix
Dan Wessman/BJ Roche	37 Davenport Road	339-4886	Yula	SF	2	English Shepard

DOG LICENSES EXPIRE MARCH 31, 2016



Henry Dandeneau's dog 'turned in' to Town Hall and thought to have 'strayed'.

PROSPECTIVE JUROR LIST 2015

PROSPECTIVE JUROR LIST - Office of Jury Commissioner {M.G.L Chapter 234a}

ANDOGNINI, M A 163 HAZELTON RD F RETIRED
ASH, Brian S 6 PINE HILL DR M LINEMN/MA ELEC
ASH, Laurie L 6 PINE HILL DR F VET. ASSTNT
AVERY, Linda E BX 312 F ADMINST ASST
BAKER, Madison T 65 STONE HILL RD M DEERFIELD ACAD
BAKER, Roberta T 65 STONE HILL RD F TEACHER
BAKER, William J 65 STONE HILL RD M BUSINESSMAN
BALDWIN, John D 30 POTTER RD M MANAGER
BERRY, Prudence 144 LESHURE RD F LAND-DESIGNER
BJORK, Alan 288 ZOAR RD M RETIRED
BJORK, Timothy J 42 LESHURE RD M
BOOTH, Robin 194 LESHURE RD F NURSE
BOOTH, Will J 194 LESHURE RD M STUDENT
BOUTWELL, Joyce A 7 POTTER RD F RETIRED
BOUTWELL, Melissa A 7 POTTER RD F COLLEGE STUDEN
BOUTWELL, Rebecca S 7 POTTER RD F RETAIL MNGMNT
BOYD, Ian M 5 STONE RD M COOK
BOYD, John M 5 STONE RD M BLACKSMITH
BOYD, Nathaniel R 5 STONE RD M STUDENT
BRADLEY, Kenneth 51 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD M COLLEGE STUDEN
BRADLEY, Michael F 51 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD M HEARING TESTER
BRADLEY, Rebecca P 51 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD F B&B OWNER
BROWN, Ashley E 141 CYRUS STAGE RD F STUDENT
BROWN, Craig W 141 CYRUS STAGE RD M CLASS TRUCK DR
BROWN, Dustin W 141 CYRUS STAGE RD M STUDENT
BROWN, Reed E 27 NEWELL CROSS RD M
BROWN, Skyler M 141 CYRUS STAGE RD M STUDENT
BRYANT JR, Peter 11 HAZELTON RD M STUDENT
BRYANT, Lisa A 11 HAZELTON RD F HOUSEKEEPING/M
BURKE, Daniel J 465 TUNNEL RD M ENVRNMNTL ENG
CARLOW, Earl PO BOX 438 M RETIRED
CARSON, Melissa J 171 ZOAR RD F STUDENT
CHIOFALO, Thomas L 87 POTTER RD M RETIRED
CIRINNA, Geoffrey T 252 ZOAR RD M MECHANIC
CLANCY, Robert J 12 COUNTY BRANCH RD M PRINCIPAL
COLUMBUS, Peter J PO BOX 825 M WRITER
CORARITO, Mary Ann 65 DELL RD F HOMEMAKER
COULOMBE, Dean R 39 STONE HILL RD M FCTS
COUSINEAU, David A 30 OLD CYRUS STAGE ROAD M NUCLEAR SECURITY
COUSINEAU, Heidi PO BOX 302 F ACCT/BOOKKEEPER
COWIE, Bruce W 487 TUNNEL RD M GRAPHIC DESIGN
COWIE, Janet L 487 TUNNEL RD F OPERATIONS MGR
CROCKWELL, Kendra M 14 TUNNEL RD F MTRHS
CROWNINGSHIELD, Debra A 450 TUNNEL RD F OFFICE MANAGER
CROWNINGSHIELD, Jeanett 106 ZOAR RD F HOMEMAKER
CROWNINGSHIELD, MatthewR 16 NEWELL CROSS RD M ROWEHWYCREW
DANDENEAU, Evelyn L P O BOX 282 F RETIRED
DANDENEAU, Henry J P O BOX 282 M RETIRED
DANEK JR, Thomas P 39 CROSS RD M EXCAVTR
DANEK, Helen E 39 CROSS RD F HOMEMAKER
DANEK-BURKE, Lisa A 465 TUNNEL RD F ENVRNMNTL ENG
DAVIAU, Sandra P 17 POTTER RD F TX CLTR/ASSR CLERK
DONOVAN, Eugene J 100 ZOAR RD M SCHOOL CNSLR
DUNNELL, Dale W 137 LESHURE RD F SELF EMPLOYED
DUNNELL, Paul P 137 LESHURE RD M SELF-EMPLOYED
DYKEMAN, Robert L 468 TUNNEL RD M RETIRED

EASTMAN, Josh I 122 DAVENPORT RD M MECHANIC
FAIR JR, Michael L 11 HAZELTON RD M STUDENT
FAIVRE, Audrey I P O BOX 324 F INTERIOR DSGNR
FAIVRE, Edward F 29 POTTER RD M RETIRED
FENSKY, Doris C 93 BRITTINGHAM HILL RD F
FENSKY, Kenneth G 93 BRITTINGHAM HILL RD M
FOBERG, Kirsten E 160 HAZELTON RD F
GABERT, Virginia C 144 LESHURE RD F ADMIN ASSISTAN
GALLAGHAR, Maeve P 30 POTTER RD F COLLEGE
GARY, Virginia P 141 CYRUS STAGE RD F TEACHER
GLASS, Herbert L 6 KINGS HIGHWAY M RETIRED
GLEASON, Susan P PO BOX 307 F RETIRED
GORDON, Rosemary R 49 HAZELTON RD F HOMEMAKER
HARDISON, Billy L 22 TUNNEL RD M RETIRED
HARDISON, Leonda I 22 TUNNEL RD F RETIRED
HEILIGMANN, Carlos 71 CROSS RD M RETIRED
HEILIGMANN, Katherine S 71 CROSS RD F RETIRED
HOUGHTALING, Melissa A 14 TUNNEL RD F RETAIL
HOUGHTALING, Thomas A 14 TUNNEL RD M UNEMPLOYED
HUDSON, Gary H 15 NEWELL CROSS RD M RETIRED
HUMBERT, Dennis A 34 FRANKLIN STREET M
HYYTINEN, Christopher S 65 HAZELTON RD M POLICE OFFICER
HYYTINEN, Tabitha J 65 HAZELTON RD F
JACKSON, Crystal A 88 HAZELTON RD F CLARKS COVAIR
JACKSON, Lisa M 88 HAZELTON RD F TEACHER
JACKSON, Oral L 88 HAZELTON RD M MECHANIC
JASKOLSKI, Mark E 40 SHIPPEE RD M HOUSEKEEPER
JOLLY, Morghan W 19 STONE RD M GUIDE/COOK
JOLLY, Russell W 19 STONE RD M CONSULTANT
KATZ, Deborah B BOX 3023 F THERAPIST
KEPPLER, David J 145 LESHURE E RDESTERDE M COMPTR PROGRAM
KUZONTKOSKI JR, Kenneth 171 ZOAR RD M
LAFFOND, Cynthia M 205 HAZELTON RD F RETIRED
LAFFOND, Michael S 208 HAZELTON RD M AIRCRFT MECH.
LAMORE, Lisa A 15 STONE HILL RD F NURSE
LAMORE, William 15 STONE HILL RD M CARPENTER
LARNED, Danielle M 26 NEWELL CROSS RD F CUSTODIAL
LARNED, Lance P 26 NEWELL CROSS RD M ROAD CREW
LAWSON, Diana L 1 PELHAM DR F PCA
LEVITRE, Christine PO BOX 296 195201367 02 17 F SELF EMPLOYED
LIVELY, Abigail R 4 STONE HILL RD F COOK/FITNESS
LIVELY, Anne M 22 FORD HILL RD F PCA/HOMEMAKER
LIVELY, Carol F 11 PETRIE RD F FARMER
LIVELY, Deborah L 4 STONE HILL RD F FITNESS
LIVELY, James W 4 STONE HILL RD M SAWYER
LIVELY, Jason A 22 FORD HILL RD M TRUCK DRIVER
LIVELY, Jonathan A 11 PETRIE RD M BOILER OPERATO
LOOMIS, Ruth E 63 TATRO ROAD F NURSE PRAC.
LOOMIS, Sean R 63 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD M PARK RANGER
LOOMIS, William A 108 HAZELTON RD M RETIRED
LOWELL, Frederick K 18 OLD CYRUS STAGE RD M
MARKERT, Alan 377 TUNNEL RD M SVC. MANAGER
MARKERT, Karen 377 TUNNEL RD F OFFICE MANAGER
MARKERT, Robert T 377 TUNNEL RD M RETIRED
MAY, Dennis F 22 POTTER RD M ENGINEER
MAY, Edwin L 68 CROSS RD M RETIRED
MAY, Gail 22 POTTER RD F TCHRS AIDE
MAY, Katherine E 68 CROSS RD F HOMEMAKER
MCLATCHY III, Paul 17 NEWELL CROSS RD M POSTAL WORKER
MCLATCHY, Lesley K 17 NEWELL CROSS RD F HOMEMAKER
MILLER, Clayton C 160 HAZELTON RD 01367 M WELDER
MILLER, Ellen B 160 HAZELTON RD 01367 F TREASURER

MORANO, Cara 14 OLD CYRUS STAGE RD F FINANCIAL ADVI
MORANO, Chris 14 OLD CYRUS STAGE RD M CARPENTER
MORSE, Ashton P 162 ZOAR RD F CUSTOMER SVC
MORSE, Marjorie H 60 SHIPPEE RD F RETIRED
MUNDELL, Jessica 78 HAZELTON RD F DISABILITY
MUNDELL, Timothy 78 HAZELTON RD M DISABILITY
NICHOLS, Robin 58 TATRO RD F BAKER
PAIGE III, Clifford 23 NEWELL CROSS RD M CUSTODIAL
PAIGE, Eric S 23 NEWELL CROSS RD M GCC
PAIGE, Mary E 23 NEWELL CROSS RD M F CNA/HOMEMAKER
PARENT, Jeffrey E 32 SHIPPEE RD M UPS DRIVER
PARENT, Kevin M 39 STONE HILL RD M LINE CLEARANCE
PARENT, Willian M 39 STONE HILL ESTERDE F HR SPECIALIST
PHELPS, Abigail M 36 PETRIE RD F OUTDOOR REC.
PHELPS, Heidi F 36 PETRIE RD F MTRHS
PHELPS, Nancy D 36 PETRIE RD F BAKER
PICKETT, Felicity BOX 273 F DIRECTOR
PIKE, Laurie J P O BOX 321 F TEACHER
POEHLEIN, David G BX 17 M RETAIL MNGR
POPLAWSKI, Daniel P 37 SHIPPEE RD M ARBELLA INS.
QUIST, Kelle J 4 FORD HILL RD F RETIRED
REARDON, Tiffany J 146 CYRUS STAGE RD F STUDENT
REARDON, William N 146 CYRUS STAGE RD M VERMONT YANKEE
REED, Robin W 48 HAZELTON RD F RETIRED
REGAN-BJORK Jasmine M 42 LESHURE RD F
REYNOLDS, Danette L 30 POTTER RD HOMEMAKER
RICE, Bradley J 86 FORD HILL RD M DISABILITY
RICE, Dean T 85 FORD HILL RD M TRUCK DRIVER
RICE, Jennifer L 85 FORD HILL RD F HOMEMAKER
RICE, Margaret B 88 DAVIS MINE RD F RN- RETIRED
RICE, Robert R 88 DAVIS MINE RD M RETIRED
RICHARDSON, Rachel M 33 OLD CYRUS STAGE ROAD F STUDENT
RICHARDSON, Rebecca F 33 OLD CYRUS STAGE ROAD F ELMSTEACHER
ROBERSON, David A 539 TUNNEL RD M BUSINESS PERSON
ROBERSON, Laura S 539 TUNNEL RD F BUSNSS PERSON
ROCCIO, Paulette A 10 KINGS HWY F FACILITIES MGR
ROCHE, Barbara J P O BOX 34 F JOURNALIST
RODE, Christina M 131 ZOAR RD F CERTOCCPTHERAP
ROSSI, John F 54 BRITTINGHAM HILL RD M RETIRED
ROSSI, Martha 72 BRITTINGHAM HILL RD F HOMEMAKER
SCRIVENS, David F 35 NEWELL CROSS RD M RETIRED
SHERMAN, Connie A 77 HAZELTON RD F ASST. PRO DIR.
SHIPPEE, Julie J 21 NEWELL CROSS RD F POLICE OFFICER
SHIPPEE, Kenneth R 21 NEWELL CROSS RD M CHARL HIGHWAY
SHIPPEE, Kyle K 21 NEWELL CROSS RD M FCTS
SILVA, Carrie Y PO BOX 294 F ADMIN/CUSTODIA
SILVA, Robert A PO BOX 294 M CONSTRUCTION
SILVA, Sandra J 54 FORD HILL RD F RETIRED
SIMPSON, Eliakim H P O BOX 296 M
SNYDER, Catherine T 49 CROSS RD F REG NURSE
SNYDER, Timothy C 49 CROSS RD M INSTRUMENT TEC
SOKOL, Charles L 14 MIDDLETOWN HILL ROAD M PRODUCTION WKR
SOKOL, Meredith L 14 MIDDLETOWN HILL ROAD F AT HOME
SOUSA, James E 99 BRITTINGHAM HILL RD M
SOVIECKE, Karen 41 DAVENPORT RD F RETIRED
SOVIECKE, Mitchell 41 DAVENPORT RD M SELF EMPLOYED
SPRAGUE, Brandon A 162 ZOAR RD M TREE SERVICE
SPRAGUE, Brittani M 40 SHIPPEE RD F TEACHER

SPRAGUE, Katherine D 242 FORD HILL RD F ADMINS ASSTNT
SPRAGUE, Kevin D 242 FORD HILL RD M RETAIL
STURGIS, Laura V 163 HAZELTON RD F
SULLIVAN, Jonathan L 20 NEWELL CROSS RD M MACHINE MECHAN
SUTHERLAND, Jennie R 202 LESHURE RD F ACTIVITY DIREC
SUTHERLAND, Wendy S 202 LESHURE RD F RN
SWENSON, Kristen C 106 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD F ADMNST ASSTN
TAYLOR, James W 58 POND RD M HWY SUPERINTND
TAYLOR, Joshua B 58 POND RD M STUDENT
TORRES, Brenda L 37 STEELE BROOK RD F HOME
VANHORNE, Guinevere A 1 PELHAM DR F STUDENT
VEBER, Mary 292 ZOAR RD F MEAT WRAPPER
VEBER, Presley 3 PINE HILL DR M B. EAST
VEBER, Terry 294 ZOAR RD M VP/RICE OIL
VEBER, Tiffany R PO BOX 275 F POST OFFICE
VEGA, Richard 14 POTTER ROAD M
WESSMAN, Daniel J P O BOX 342 M DARK RM TECH
WHITE, Gerrit C 65 POTTER RD M TEACHER
WHITE, Glenn M 245 LESHURE RD M BURNER TECH
WILLIAMS, Dana M 25 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD F STUDENT
WILLIAMS, Frederick N 25 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD M ENGINEER
WILLIAMS, Jay T 97 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD M
WILLIAMS, MaryJo A 36 PETRIE RD F AGRI-BUSNSS WM
WILLIAMS, Robert O 36 PETRIE RD M NUCLEAR SPKSMA
WILLIAMS, Susan A 7 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD F
WILSON Rev. Douglas 144 LESHURE RD M MINISTER
WILSON, Marilyn 37 POTTER RD F RETIRED
WILSON, Raymond 37 POTTER RD M RETIRED
WOOD, Jennifer Y 19 STONE RD F GUIDE/CHILD CA
WOOD, Susan C 19 STONE RD 01367 F MEDIATOR
YAGODZINSKI, Glenda K 58 TATRO RD F RETIRED
ZAVOTKA, Susan L 505 TUNNEL RD F RETIRED
ZAVOTKA, Wayne A 505 TUNNEL RD M RETIRED
ZIELONKA, Stanley R BOX 291 M RETIRED



Town Moderator Robert Clancy



Paul McLatchy III and Loretta Dionne at Town Meeting
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REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK – VITAL STATISTICS & PERMITS – 2015

BIRTHS

Mass. General Law prohibits release of info for persons under 17 without parental permission

No Births

MARRIAGES & INTENTIONS OF MARRIAGE

No Marriages or Intentions

DEATHS

Francis S. Benson

Date of Birth - October 10, 1926

Date of Death – May 2, 2015

Wendell Louis Stetson

Date of Birth - August 19, 1931

Date of Death – May 8, 2015

Marion E. Dandeneau

Date of Birth - August 7, 1924

Date of Death – May 12, 2015

Betty R. Scrivens

Date of Birth - December 2, 1924

Date of Death – July 2, 2015

Joseph A. Vadeboncoeur

Date of Birth - March 18, 1946

Date of Death – September 4, 2015

June O. Brown

Date of Birth - January 29, 1932

Date of Death – November 23, 2015

John F. Rossi

Date of Birth - June 28, 1942

Date of Death - December 5, 2015

RAFFLE PERMITS

Charlemont Lions Club Permit Number – 01-12015

Bob Dykeman

468 Tunnel Road

Rowe, MA 01367

BUSINESS CERTIFICATES

Brookside on Pelham Brook

David Gregory Poehlein

61 Zoar Road

Rowe, MA 01367

Expires: July 16, 2019

Gerrit White, Arden School Inc.

Gerrit White & Susan White

65 Potter Road

Rowe, MA 01367

Expires: September 18, 2019

LIQUOR LICENSES

Arthur & Peggy Grodd

Two Day Liquor License

May 29 & May 30, 2015

Wedding & Reception

22 Kings Highway

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS 2015

No applications for a zoning variance came before the Rowe Zoning Board of Appeals in 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marilyn Wilson
Bob Dykeman
Gail May
Russ Jolly



Rowe Library

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Rowe Fire Department

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ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER 2015

This past year, I returned four missing dogs to their owners, checked on reports of dog hassling cows, and removed a skunk from a resident's property. I attended a two day course on investigative techniques and safe handling of aggressive dogs in Chelmsford, as well as the regional animal control officers' meeting in Greenfield.

Arthur H. Samuelson
Animal Control Officer- Assistant

BOARD OF HEALTH 2015

Jennifer Morse was re-elected this year and once again voted in as Chair by her fellow board members. David Cousineau will be up for re-election in 2016. Marcella Stafford Gore was re-appointed as Clerk.

In April the board voted to adopt the State and Department of Environmental Protection Regulations and Guidelines for burials on private property. If you would like a copy of these regulations, please contact the BOH office.

On Rowe's behalf, Jennifer and Marcella participated in the annual Hawlemont EDS clinic at the Hawlemont School in Charlemont. In addition to influenza vaccine, tetanus, Tdap and pneumonia vaccine are available at this clinic. An updated version of the Emergency Dispensing Site (EDS) Action Plan was handed out to all member towns.

This year a rabies clinic was set up on the school grounds. Veterinarian Amy Tuominen was on site to vaccinate all animals. The rabies clinic was quite successful and they are planning to hold it again next year.

Board of Health Agent

It was with great regret that we accepted the resignation of our long time Health Agent, Lisa Danek Burke. The board often relied on her professionalism, knowledge and experience. Lisa has agreed to work with the board when she is available on an as need basis, we thank her for her continued dedication. We have also hired Mike Freeland R.S. (Colrain) on occasion this year.

Title V

The board reviewed all building permit applications submitted for review by the FCCIP as required by state Title 5 regulations. Title 5 system soil evaluations and percolation tests were done again in response to residents' requests.

Transfer Station/Solid Waste Disposal

The board re-appointed James Lively and Edwin Palmer as Transfer Station Attendants. Julie Shippee was re-appointed as alternate attendant. Vehicle stickers will be mailed in December for the new year. All

residents/property owners are required to visibly display the sticker on/in their vehicle so that they will be easily identified by the attendants. The entrance gate has been repaired this year; further repairs are needed and will be completed in 2016. The steps of the Swap Shop were also repaired.

We would like to stress the importance of using caution when backing out at the Refuse Garden. Please be mindful of other vehicles especially if you are there during a busy time.

The board thanks Jan Ameen, Amy Donovan and the staff at the **Franklin County Solid Waste Management District** for providing us with excellent service which includes all of the recycling and bulky waste hauling contracts, the regional hazardous waste collection days and our sharps bio-hazard collections. Ms. Ameen is also instrumental in obtaining the DEP Small-Scale Initiative grant and performing the mandated inspection each year.

Recycling

We have continued our efforts to encourage all residents to recycle and it is paying off. The latest FCSWMD report shows Rowe's recycling tonnage for containers (cans, bottles etc.) has increased, saving Rowe \$338.64 in disposal costs. Thank you all so much for your continued efforts to recycle.

Earnings from recycling are added to the Revolving Account and we deposited approximately \$1,835.00 in 2015. We expended \$768.84 for Rowe's share of roll-off containers and we donated \$645.00 to Pelham Lake for the purchase of a Bear Saver recyclables bin.

Amy Donovan, Program Director at Franklin County Solid Waste Management District visited the Rowe school in June. She spoke to the children about the importance of recycling and engaged them in a composting lesson. Parents were also invited to this event.

Public Water System

Housatonic Basin Sampling and Testing in Lee, MA. has provided all water testing in 2015. Monthly testing is performed for our three (3) public water supplies; the Town Hall, Rowe Elementary School and Avery Fountain. Weekly testing is performed at the Pelham Lake swimming area and the Ranger Station tap during the swimming season. The board also receives reports on the water sampled at Rowe Camp and Conference Center as well as Maple House Bed and Breakfast.

Health Services

Sheila Litchfield was reappointed as town nurse. Our town is most fortunate to have such a dedicated professional who goes above and beyond to provide health services to Rowe residents. The office is open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday every week. Sheila writes articles for the Goal Post and provides the board with monthly summary reports. She also participates in and helps to organize the yearly EDS clinic. We thank Sheila for the professional performance of her services. Dr. Richard Warner continues to be our medical consultant.

In Conclusion

Currently the board meets on Thursday evenings at 6:00pm. Please check the town bulletin board for meeting agendas which will be posted at least 48 hours in advance of our meeting. If you have questions or need a permit application, our clerk is in the office for several hours before our meeting begins or you can call the office anytime and we will get back to you.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Morse, Chair
David Cousineau
Joann Brown

BOARD OF HEALTH INSPECTIONS & PERMITS 2015

PERMITS ISSUED 2015

Septic Hauler/Pumper:

A-1 Septic (North Adams)
Bostley Sanitary Service
GMG Enterprises, Inc. (Greg's Wastewater)

Installer's Permit:

Danek Excavating
James Williams
Matthew Gilmore

Food Establishments:

Maple House Bed and Breakfast
Rowe Camp and Conference Center
Rowe School

Food Service Temporary:

Halifax Community Club
Readsboro Lions Club
Rowe Community Church
Rowe Elementary Youth Baseball
Rowe Fire Department
Rowe Historical Society
Rowe Old Home Day Committee

Children Camps Permits:

Rowe C&CC: Junior High Camp
 Senior High Camp
 Transition Camp

Beach Permit:

Pelham Lake -6/2 to 9/8/2015

TITLE V ACTIVITY 2015

Title 5 Inspections

24 Brittingham Hill Rd (Rice)	Needs further evaluation
37 Brittingham Hill (Pierce)	Passed
21 Newell Cross Rd (Shippee)	Conditionally passes
137 Leshure Rd (Dunnell)	Passed
145 Leshure Rd (Keppler)	Passed
36 Old Cyrus Stage Road (Keeney)	Passed
476 Tunnel Rd (Adams)	Passed
506 Tunnel Road (Webster)	Passed
131 Zoar Rd (Rode)	Passed

Title 5 Soil Evaluation/Percolation Tests 2015

Davis Mine	Passed
12 Monroe Hill Road	Failed
4 Stone Hill Road	Passed

Title 5 Disposal System Construction Permit

21 Newell Cross Rd (Shippee)	System Repair
24 Brittingham Hill Road (Rice)	System Repair
4 Stone Hill Rd (Carey)	System Repair
127 Country Rd (Volland)	System Repair

Septic System Installation/Repair/Upgrade Final Inspection

86 Pond Rd (Rowe School)
21 Newell Cross Rd (Shippee)
24 Brittingham Hill Road (Rice)
4 Stone Hill Rd (Carey)
127 Country Rd (Volland)

Septic Pumping Records 2015

14 Brittingham Hill Road	Okay
37 Brittingham Hill Road	Okay
39 Brittingham Hill Road	Good
99 Brittingham Hill Road	Good
127 Country Road	Being Replaced
49 Cross Road	Good
75 Cross Road	Not Noted
Fire House	Okay
85 Ford Hill Road	Okay
169 Ford Hill Road	Good
Gracy House	Okay
163 Hazelton Road	Okay
208 Hazelton Road	Okay
38 Middletown Road	Good
21 Newell Cross Road	Okay
27 Newell Cross Road	Okay
33 Old Cyrus Stage Road	Okay
36 Old Cyrus Stage Road	Okay
Pelham Lake (composting toilet)	Good
3 Pine Hill Road	Okay
6 Pine Hill Road	Okay
43 Potter Road	Okay
32 Shippee Road	Okay
24 Steele Brook Road	Okay
65 Stone Hill Road	Good
Town Hall	Okay
506 Tunnel Road	Good
10 Kings Hwy (RC&CC farmhouse)	Okay
10 Kings Hwy (RC&CC cabin area)	Okay
10 Kings Hwy (RC&CC main house)	Okay
10 Kings Hwy (RC&CC bath house)	Okay
10 Kings Hwy (RC&CC rec hall)	Okay
288 Zoar Road	Okay

BOARD OF HEALTH – TOWN NURSE 2015

2015 has been another busy year for the Rowe Health Services Office. A total of 1,370 patient encounters occurred, representing an average of 114 contacts each month. In addition to office visits, house calls, and telephone consultations, Rowe Health Services continues to offer wellness checks, health counseling, nursing assessment, emergency consultation and referral for clients of all ages.

Rowe Health Services continues to offer blood testing for cholesterol, blood sugar, A1C (3-month blood sugar impact test) and INR (blood clotting factor), quantitative dipstick urinalysis testing, hearing and vision testing, monitoring of blood pressure and assistance with weight and fitness management, and much more. Test results are reported to clients' primary care practitioners for improved client care. All of the testing services are augmented with health education, encouragement and follow-up.

This year the Massachusetts Department of Public Health was only able to provide influenza vaccine for children, however with thanks to the Finance Committee and Select Board we were still able to offer influenza immunizations to town residents. Immunization data is recorded as required by the state's online Immunization Registry, which is intended to enable you or your primary care provider to have ready access to your immunization history.

The Rowe Health Services and the Board of Health continues to participate in emergency preparedness activities with other area towns through the Hawlemont Emergency Dispensing Site (EDS). The EDS is the structure through which Rowe residents would receive emergency medications or antidotes when they were issued by the U.S. Centers for Disease and Control (CDC) from the National Stockpile in response to large public health threats. This emergency network is tested annually by a community-wide influenza clinic. This year the clinic was held at Hawlemont Elementary School on October 31st. Participating this year were representatives from the Boards of Health, Emergency Management and other volunteers from Rowe, Hawley, Heath, Monroe and Charlemont.

It has been a pleasure to have been able to provide another year of early intervention, illness prevention, health education and awareness, and support to the residents of Rowe. The Health Services Office is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. I look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Sheila M. Litchfield". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sheila M. Litchfield RN, BSN, FAAOHN

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES 2015

The List of Accomplishments for the year:

- Conducted inventory of all EMS supplies and equipment
- Organized EMS closet
- Given responsibility of maintaining Automatic External Defibrillators (AED):
 - batteries and pads were replaced
 - Software for all AEDs was obsolete and updated to meet current standards
- Set up new vendors accounts to buy EMS supplies at better prices
- Purchased a Striker stair chair for Town to assist in emergency calls
- Assessed the EMS need of the Town and current EMS status of Town.
- Updated Town Departments EMS supplies and training history
- Conducted a Survey of Town Departments equipment needs
- Assessed Town Ambulance service
- Contacted sounding ambulance services to find a better fit with the Town of Rowe
- Acted as liaison with North Adams Ambulance Service for primary ambulance service transition
- Started working with Deb Lively doing fits and wellness train with EMS staff
- Updated First Responders first aid bags used on calls
- Removed expired medical supplies
- Added new supplies with list provided by North Adams Ambulance Service
- Replaced portable suction unit
- Attended and completed EMT recertification training

Thank you,

Christopher Selmi Hyytinen
EMS Coordinator



North Adams Ambulance Service conducted training sessions with Rowe First Responders, EMTs and Firefighters
Photograph by C. Selmi Hyytinen



Selmi Hyytinen teaches safety to Rowe Students

FIRE DEPARTMENT 2015

In 2015 the Rowe Volunteer Fire Department and First Responders were called to:

- 23 Medical Calls
- 1 Hazardous Material (Gas)
- 2 Drills (Yankee & Bear Swamp)
- 2 Mutual Aid Fire Calls (Heath and Charlemont)
- 2 Motor Vehicle Crashes
- 1 Tree Down on Wires
- 6 Fire Calls (1- Car Fire, 1 – False Alarm, 1 Chimney Fire, 1 Electrical, 1 Smoke in house, 1 Camp Fire)

In January, three members of the Department attended the Fire Officers Symposium at Greenfield Community College. This two day workshop was offered by the Franklin County Chief's Association and the Tri State Fire Services. In attendance for Rowe were Interim Chief Sprague, Firefighters "Buster" Reed and Tom Houghtaling.

In February, Joe Marucca, Chief of the West Barnstable Fire Department and Legal Consultant for the Massachusetts Volunteer Call Fire Association, presented his full report on the Rowe Volunteer Fire Department. Chief Marucca examined past and current practices of the fire department and made several recommendations for the future. The report has been very useful in that it has helped Department personnel plan for future needs and assisted in budget planning. The full report can be obtained by contacting the fire department administrator.

In April Interim Chief Sprague was appointed by the Board of Selectmen to serve as the Rowe Fire Chief. He represents Rowe at the monthly Franklin County Fire Chief and Forest Wardens meetings. The RVFD meets three Tuesday's each month to train and complete inspections of all equipment.

In 2015 the Department represented Rowe at several local celebrations: the Readsboro 4th of July Parade; the Ashfield 25th Parade; Charlemont Yankee Doodle Day 250th Parade; Shelburne Falls 4th of July Parade; the Heath Fair Parade; and the Rowe Old Home Day Parade.

The Rowe Volunteer Fire Department has taken advantage of many opportunities to train with other towns including Ashfield, Charlemont, Shelburne Falls, Hawley, Florida, Colrain, Buckland and North Adams. The members of the department participated in the Annual Yankee and Bear Swamp drills. In 2015 the Rowe Volunteer Fire Department held two first responder courses, which were taught by Matt Wolkenbreit of Community 911 in Greenfield, MA. These courses went above and beyond the state mandated classes and were attended by First Responders from both Rowe and Heath.

In 2015 the Rowe Volunteer Fire Department purchased a trash-water supply pump, three chainsaws, turn-out gear, and a computer. All of the SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) Packs and cylinders were tested. The Chief tested and/or replace all of the fire extinguishers in the town buildings. Lots of radio work happens behind the scenes and in coordination with dispatch the radios are being re-programmed and brought up to date.

The Rowe Volunteer Fire Department and EMS visited the Rowe Elementary School during National Fire Prevention Week with the message “Hear the Bleep, Where you Sleep”. The Town of Rowe entered into a contract with North Adams Ambulance Service to provide medical services to all townspeople in the fall and they brought an Ambulance for the students to see during National Fire Prevention Week.

The Rowe Volunteer Fire Department continues to offer smoke detector/carbon monoxide detector inspections to all senior households. With the support of Fire Department Fire Administrator Jennifer Morse the RVFD was granted a DCR grant in the amount of \$1860 to purchase Wild Fire turnout equipment and gear.

2015 Rowe Volunteer Fire Department and First Responder Members:

Chief Brandon Sprague, Chuck Fisher, Steven Fisher, Ian Boyd, Kerri McLatchy, Tom Houghtaling, Lockwood Reed, Jennifer Morse, Willian Parent, Kevin Parent, Ashton Morse, Gary Singley, Jeffrey Simmons, Daniel Burke.

First Responders Course April/October 2015:

Chief Brandon Sprague, Chuck Fisher, Steven Fisher, Kerri McLatchy, Tom Houghtaling, Jennifer Morse, Willian Parent, Kevin Parent, Gary Singley, Ashton Morse, Julie Shippee, Melanie Gokey, Henry Dandeneau.

CPR/AED Only:

Lockwood Reed, Robin Reed, Sheila Litchfield, Janice Boudreau, Kim Celli, Sean Loomis.



Car Fire Hazelton Rd.



Chief Sprague, Steve Fisher Training Session
Kerri McLatchy and Gary Singley (background)

FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS FRANKLIN COUNTY COOPERATIVE BUILDING INSPECTION PROGRAM 2015

Dear Residents of Rowe:

As you know, your town receives building, plumbing, gas, and wiring inspection and zoning enforcement services through the Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program (FCCIP), a thirty-nine year old shared service housed at the Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG). We thank your town for your continued participation in the FCCIP, which allows small towns to have access to professional staff and state-of-the-art technology.

2015 was a busy year, permit wise, for the program. We issued 2,741 permits, including a significant number of insulation upgrade, solar array and wood/pellet stove permits. The number of permits was higher in 2015 than in the previous year, the fees collected were also slightly higher. A total of 24 new dwelling units were constructed in our 15 member towns.

Our new online permitting program went live on July 1, 2011 and has issued 10,735 building, electrical & plumbing/gas permits since then. The program allows you to apply, pay for, and track the progress of any permit online, saving you time and visits to our office in Greenfield. The program has 3,573 registered users. You can find it at www.frcog.org under the Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program. Our website also includes helpful information on inspection requirements, permit costs, and contractor licensing.

In 2015, the FCCIP processed the following permits for Rowe:

Residential Building Permits	19
Commercial Building Permits	5
Sheet Metal/Duct Permits	0
Electrical Permits	9
Plumbing Permits	6
Gas Permits	6
Certificates of Inspection	9

We would like to remind all residents of the importance of applying for permits for work done. Building, Electrical and Plumbing/Gas permits are required by law and are an essential step in ensuring the safety of our communities. Please feel free to call our office with any building or zoning questions at : [413/774-3167, extension 2.](tel:4137743167)

James D. Hawkins
Building Commissioner
jhawkins@frcog.org

James Cerone
Building Inspector
jcerone@frcog.org

Tom McDonald
Electrical Inspector
electric@frcog.org

Andy French
Plumbing/Gas Inspector
plumbing@frcog.org

POLICE DEPARTMENT 2015

The Rowe Police Department has had a busy 2015 with a total of 164 calls ranging from 911 misdials to keeping the peace.

The Police Department participated in emergency training with Yankee Rowe, Brookfield Power (Bear Swamp Pump Storage Station), Trans Canada and Rowe Elementary School including the Massachusetts State Police. This training is mandatory for the Police Department each year. As Police Chief, I am obligated to a certain number of hours of training required by the State of Massachusetts, as are my Officers. These required hours of training include Legal updates, CPR and First Aid, Defense Tactics and many more topics.

As always, if you ever are in need of a Police Officer never hesitate to call:

EMERGENCIES:	911
Non-Emergencies:	Shelburne Control at 413-625-8200
Rowe Police Office:	413-339-8340
Police Chief Home:	413-339-0139

Thank You,

Chief Shippee
Rowe Police Department



Rowe Elementary School Graduates 2015

Left to Right : Julie Sprague, Nevin Houghtaling, Jeffery Parent, Alexis Parent, Taylor Loomis, Emilia Seaver, Laney Celli, Kayalla Shaw, Emma Barnes, Olivia Parent, Bailey Cousineau and Nathan Paige

FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL 2015

82 Industrial Boulevard
Turners Falls, Massachusetts 01376
TEL: 413-863-9561 FAX: 413-863-4231
www.fcts.org

Richard J. Martin
Superintendent



We submit this annual report for 2015 on behalf of the Franklin County Technical School District and its administration, faculty, staff and students.

Total enrollment as of October 1, 2015 was 507 students with town breakouts as follows:

Bernardston	20	Erving	32	Montague	56	Sunderland	6
Buckland	10	Gill	10	New Salem	3	Warwick	4
Colrain	24	Greenfield	115	Northfield	42	Wendell	9
Conway	8	Heath	11	Orange	74	Whately	7
Deerfield	14	Leyden	9	Shelburne	7	Non-District	46

Franklin County Technical School awarded 117 diplomas to our seniors in June of 2015. Massachusetts students are required to pass the MCAS in order to receive a high school diploma and once again our students were very successful in meeting this high academic standard. FCTS has maintained Level 2 Accountability status for the last three years. Our overall Progress and Performance Index (PPI) moved from 17% in 2012 (Level III) to 21% in 2013 (Level II), 31% in 2014 and 30% in 2015 (Level II). Additionally, the district met the goals set by the Department of Education for passing rates of students at risk and with disabilities.

Having earned their vocational certificate, 38% of our graduates plan to go on to either a two or four year college, 37% joined the regional work force, 5% planned to join the military, 9% went on to a post-secondary trade/technical school, and 11% were unsure as to which of the above options they would pursue. We are proud of the accomplishments of the Class of 2015.

Franklin County Technical School's technical programs have been busy with community-based projects that are used as learning opportunities. This year, as in the past, students embrace the authentic work that is done in the communities and truly engage in building their skills while out on work sites. As learning activities, these projects are not treated as production work that would be done by commercial entities. Project work is treated as an immersive activity, with guidance and professional direction by instructors. Alternating weeks of shop time increase the duration of a project but costs associated with a project are less than those conducted by a commercial company; this service-learning work is coupled with a benefit to our towns. Within the walls of FCTS, students from Electrical, Plumbing, Carpentry, Landscaping/Horticulture, Auto Technology, Welding and Collision Repair are involved in repair and upgrading activities that save the school costs associated with hiring contractors.

What follows are some examples of the ways in which we serve our communities: Electrical students and instructors have been involved in the Shelburne Trolley Museum's car barn; the retrofitting of LED units

throughout the Greenfield Community College campus; rewiring of the South Deerfield Town Common; work on the library in the Town of Bernardston; continued work on the Hawlemont School barn; on-going work at the Colrain Fire Department; and work on the Warwick Police Department. Landscaping students and instructors have helped with the reconstruction of Greenfield's Minor League fields; grading and sod installation at the Veteran's Memorial field; trimming and pruning of plants and trees on the South Deerfield Common; prepping of the baseball fields at Pratt Field in Bernardston for the upcoming year; construction of raised beds along the Nature Trail in Charlemont; tree and brush chipping for the Hawlemont school; and involvement is underway in the Town of Montague's tree planting program. Carpentry instructors and students will be involved in the building of a new cabin at Camp Keewanee in the spring, as well as the planned building of the Greenfield High School Field House; construction of the South Deerfield Town Common structure; installation of a roof over the handicap ramp at the Bernardston Veterans building; construction of a new addition to the Athol regional animal shelter with ground pipes installed by the Plumbing department. Our Health Technology program has been involved in clinical work throughout the county and Cosmetology students have provided personal care to elders throughout the area, as well. The Culinary Arts program continues to host the annual Chamber of Commerce breakfast; donates food and labor to community non-profit organizations, and hosts nursing homes and senior groups from throughout Franklin County. The Franklin County Technical School's Pre-Employment Program continues to contribute pet supplies and money to area animal shelters, as well as contributions to the Ronald McDonald House. The FCTS drum line members and chaperones volunteer their time to participate in many parades throughout the county. School-wide faculty, staff and student involvement have resulted in the collection of food and winter clothing for area needs; fundraising for cancer awareness; set-up and serving of meals at the annual Triad dinner put on by the Franklin County Sheriff's Department; and participation in a 24 hour relay to raise money for the food pantry. The school continues to provide its track, facilities and personnel support of the annual Franklin County Home Care Meals on Wheels Walk-a-Thon.

There are numerous pending projects in many communities that are in discussion or in a queue for scheduling. FCTS programs consider projects based on their curriculum alignment, timing and appropriateness for students. Our partnerships with our communities are important for our programs, and we thank those who allow our students the opportunity to practice their trades out in the field.

On June 23, 2015 Franklin County Technical School held a district wide election to allow FCTS the authority to borrow monies to upgrade our infrastructure for three distinct facility projects. FCTS received approval for a \$2.1 million project from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) for new exterior windows and doors at a reimbursement rate of 73.89%. This project is on schedule to begin in the spring of 2016 and conclude in the summer. Our second project for a new roof coating system was approved for \$975,000. We are on schedule to begin this project late spring into early summer of 2016. The final facilities project approved for \$925,000 is for new paving of our parking lot and track areas, which are original to the school in 1976. We are in the process of receiving bids and setting up a construction schedule to start this project in the summer of 2016.

Respectfully,

Mr. Richard Kuklewicz
School Committee Chairman

Mr. Richard J. Martin
Superintendent Director

Franklin County Technical School District Committee 2015-2016

Bernardston-Lloyd J. Szulborski; Buckland-Laura J. Earl; Colrain-Nicole Slowinski; Conway-Brian Kuzmeskus; Deerfield-Katherine James; Erving-Robert F. Bitzer; Gill-Clifford C. Hatch; Greenfield-Paul R. Doran, Christopher L. Joseph, Mark Leonard, Mark M. Maloney; Heath-Arthur A. Schwenger; Leyden-Gerald N. Levine; Montague-Richard J. Kuklewicz, Chairperson; Dennis L. Grader; New Salem-Angela Fournier; Northfield-Scott Milton; Orange-Clifford J. Fournier, Secretary; Linda R. Chapman; Shelburne-Angus Dun, Vice-Chairperson; Sunderland-James Bernotas; Warwick-A. George Day, Jr.; Wendell-Richard E. Drohen; Whately-Donald C. Sluter

PRINCIPAL - MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL 2015

Of the 83 members of the Class of 2015, 60% went on to a four-year college and 25% went on to a two-year college. Collaboration, creative problem-solving, and community-building are important to the classroom and extracurricular learning experiences students have at Mohawk.

Reflecting our commitment to enhancing Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) learning opportunities, our middle school Project-Based Learning (PBL) courses are now STEM courses, with a continued emphasis on project-based, cooperative, and interdisciplinary learning but with increased focus on problem-solving and collaboration with science, technology, engineering, and math applications. These middle school courses provide students with hands-on learning experiences with local and global connections, as 7th grade students produced maple syrup from over 30 gallons of sap harvested from trees on campus, and 8th grade students created 3-dimensional playhouses designed to fold to fit into a 9" x 12" mailing envelope that was delivered to children in Haiti, for instance. In the high school we introduced a Robotics course this year, where students develop computer programming skills through robotics applications. Many of our math teachers are using Inquiry-Based Learning approaches to math instruction, where students are engaged in problem-solving inquiry facilitated by their teachers.

Our school has embraced the use of community-building circles and restorative practices. Restorative Justice, often referred to as Restorative Practices, allows students to resolve conflicts and repair harm that has occurred within a community, through communication, reflection, and making changes in practice. Schools in this area and across the country have been transitioning to this evidence-based approach over the past few years. This year we established the Restorative Justice Classroom (RJC) to support students with this process and our faculty have begun using community-building circles in various settings.

Alumni connections continue to enrich the Mohawk experience. Recent graduates returned to school to share their experience with the transition to college and alumni have participated in an occasional speaker series to discuss their career paths.

Mohawk's Student Council has taken on an increasing role in promoting an inclusive and supportive learning environment for all students. This year's Booster Week activities and Bullying Prevention Week events reflected student initiative and commitment to creating a caring and compassionate school culture.

The role of our faculty and staff in school-wide leadership initiatives has grown as we have expanded the use of Professional Learning Communities and established an Instructional Leadership Team composed of staff, both teachers and paraprofessionals, who work with the Principal, Assistant Principal, and Curriculum Director to plan professional development and facilitate school-wide planning. Mohawk Arts Education Council, comprised of educators dedicated to enhancing the role of the arts at Mohawk, has taken on an increasing role, with vibrant programming evident in the visual arts displays within our school, diverse music programs with many public performances, and a wide variety of theatrical productions, including a student-directed adaptation of "The Breakfast Club" in addition to the annual musical and fall and late spring dramatic performances.

At the midpoint of the 2015-2016 school year, enrollment in grades 7-12 is 450. The seventh grade has 95 students and the eighth grade has 68. There are 75 students in the ninth grade, 71 in the tenth grade, 60 students in the junior class, and 81 students in the senior class. Four students are enrolled in our post-graduate program.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynn R. Dole, Principal



Rowe Elementary School

"Where children come first..."

86 Pond Road
Rowe, MA 01367
www.rowschool.org

Bill Knittle, Principal
Phone: 413-512-5100
FAX: 413-339-8621

It is our pleasure to submit the 2015 Principal's Report for Rowe Elementary School. It has been over a year and a half since we moved into our new school, and we have found the new building to be everything we'd hoped it would be, allowing the staff to better educate our students.

Here are some highlights from the year:

- Rowe School students achieved high PARCC test scores in both English Language Arts and Math, and Rowe is once again a level one school, with one being the highest level a school can attain.
- Three times during the school year, Rowe School teachers evaluated reading abilities of all students with the Benchmark Assessment System. This assessment provides meaningful information about both instructional and independent reading levels and supports Guided Reading program.
- Students continue to learn and speak Spanish from the preschool classroom through the sixth grade.
- The Guided Reading program that is employed at the school allows the teachers to target reading instruction directly at a student's instructional reading level. For those students who test below grade level, we have a reading intervention program for grades K-5, Leveled Literacy Intervention, that allows teachers to work with small groups of students to help them progress toward reading at grade level.
- In October, Kindergarten through grade six students hiked Berkshire East, learning much about local flora and fauna, as well as Berkshire East's windmill and solar array, while enjoying a chilly but beautiful day together. The Preschool visited Pine Hill Orchard.
- Enrichment activities during and after school included sports, hikes, skiing, a visit to the Kemp McCarthy Museum, Rowe Town Library and the use of Pelham Lake Park.
- The Rowe Parent Teacher Partnership continued their fundraising efforts for the school, including selling Rowe School branded coffee and mugs, t-shirts and sweatshirts, as well as pizza through Hillside Organic Pizza.
- In March, the annual Spaghetti Supper fundraiser for the 5th and 6th grade field was held. It was a terrific success, raising money to support the 5th and 6th grade trips to Washington, D.C. and Nature's Classroom.
- Volunteerism remains high as students worked for local, national, and international relief efforts. Locally, students collected food for the "Good Neighbors" pantry and money for "Adopt-A-Family," "Warm the Children", and "UNICEF."
- SCA/AmeriCorps volunteers worked with students two days a week for 4-months with projects in environmental science.
- Fifth and sixth grade students visited Washington D.C. in April and Nature's Classroom in September for days of intensive academic and social learning.

Once again the learning adventure remains continues thanks to the support of our Rowe School families, the Rowe School Committee, the Rowe Select Board and the citizens of Rowe. Thank you to the Town of Rowe for its continued support of your students at the Rowe Elementary School, the Mohawk Trail Regional Middle/High School, and the Franklin County Technical High School.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon Lev, Superintendent

Bill Knittle, Principal

ROWE SCHOOL COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2015

The beginning of January, 2015 marked 4 ½ months in the new Rowe School building. The students and staff expressed their gratitude for a well-designed building, playground, and classrooms that support learning in positive ways. The School Committee continued to oversee the completion of the punch list and warranty items with DEW Construction.

The Committee also continued to develop its new relationship with Northern Berkshire Union Schools under direction of Superintendent Jon Lev with budget planning for FY16, new policy development, and implementation of the computer based PARCC test.

In May, Lisa Danek Burke completed her final term as School Committee Member and Chair. We are grateful for her many years of fine service and leadership to Rowe School and the community. Gail May was elected to a three-year seat on the Committee. Gail retired as an employee of Rowe School after 29 years of service and we are pleased to have her expertise continue as a committee member. Susan Zavotka was elected Chair. Also in May, purchase of a new tractor for school lawn mowing and snow blowing was approved at Rowe's Annual Town Meeting.

Over the summer the Committee identified goals for the school year. The following have been completed to date:

- Developed a School Improvement Plan
- Established a Facilities Systems Sub-committee
- Developed a Personnel Policy for Non-teaching Staff
- Developed a School Crisis Plan

Work was initiated on the following:

- Social Media/Internet Use Policy
- Exploration of joining Mohawk Regional School District, grades 7-12
- School Garden/Landscape Assistance Plan
- Compilation of a new Policy Handbook to replace the one lost in the fire

Respectfully Submitted

Susan Zavotka, School Committee Chair

Lisa Miller, Member

Gail May, Member

SPECIAL EDUCATION AND PUPIL SERVICES - MTRSD 2015

The districts continue to support and provide students with an identified disability an Individual Education Plan (IEP) or a Section 504 Plan. An IEP provides direct service with accommodations and modifications. A 504 Plan provides accommodations that allow a student access to the general curriculum. The district continues to increase the use of Response to Intervention (RTI). This model enables schools to provide support to students based on regular assessment and data aimed at targeting more specific areas of concern or need. A student does not require an IEP or a 504 to benefit from RTI. The most recent MCAS data indicated that our students in the high needs population showed growth in their progress this year. This is a direct result of the support and direct instruction via an IEP, 504 and tiered instruction.

For many years the district has supported several substantially separate programs for students requiring a higher level of instruction and support. Historically, a student requiring this level of education may be placed in an out of district school at a high cost to the district. Research suggests that each time a student is placed outside of their home district, it decreases their investment in their education. Out of district placements are made only when all other options have been explored and assessed. The district currently has the following programs:

MSC (Mohawk Supported Classrooms): Classrooms are located in the Middle School and in the High School. Each class has a special education teacher providing direct instruction for core academic courses. The program provides academic and emotional support to students with a social emotional disability and has one Clinician providing group and individual therapy as well as on going case management. Both programs are staffed with additional paraprofessionals as needed.

MVP (Mohawk Vocational Program): Program supports students with severe special needs. The program has a special education teacher a vocational coordinator and additional para professionals as required. The program runs a self-sustaining daily coffee shop for school staff.

The Middle School has a similar program for students with severe special needs, supported by a special educator and paraprofessionals.

Starting with the 2015 School Year, we added a program at BSE for students ages Pre-School -2nd grade. The program is run by a behaviorist with support from special education teachers and paraprofessionals. This program has enabled students on the autism spectrum and with behavioral challenges to access their general education classroom with varying levels of support.

Each of these programs is designed to maximize the amount of time in the general education classroom while at the same time provide a direct well designed individual program for each student. There is not a set amount of time in or out of the program. It is dictated by the student's level of need.

Please do not hesitate to call with questions regarding special education or civil rights.

Respectfully Submitted,
Leann Loomis, Director of Pupil Personnel Services

With the introduction of a half-day, district-wide preschool program, Mohawk experienced an enrollment increase of 50 students in 2015. Continuing a 3-year positive trend, the quality of education within the Mohawk Trail Regional School District (MTRSD) rose considerably. According to the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, the MTRSD is classified as a Level 2 district with all of its schools classified as Level 1 or Level 2. There are five classification levels within the Commonwealth's system with Level 1 being the highest rating. The MTRSD is striving to become one of the higher performing school districts in Massachusetts by achieving a Level 1 classification, which requires all of our schools to be Level 1. With all Mohawk schools improving significantly in 2015, the year marked another significant step toward the MTRSD realizing this ambitious goal.

Mohawk District Highlights: Level 2

The percentage of Mohawk students achieving a rating of proficient or higher in English Language Arts (ELA) improved to 76%, reflecting a 9% improvement over the past four years. Mohawk students made gains in all three major content areas. Our ELA composite performance index (CPI) improved to 91.6; our mathematics CPI improved to 82.6; and our science CPI improved to 81.1. In both ELA and math, Mohawk's student growth percentile exceeded the state median of 50.

Mohawk Middle School-High School Highlights: Level 2 (School Percentile 46)

Mohawk's graduation rate rose to 86.5%, marking an 11% increase over the past five years. Of the graduates, approximately 80% plan to attend a 4-year or a 2-year college. On the SAT college entrance exams, Mohawk students outperformed the state average in reading, writing and math.

Mohawk MS-HS achieved a school percentile ranking of 46, which is a 19-point improvement over the past three years. 90% of Mohawk 10th graders scored at the proficient or advanced level in ELA. 62% of Mohawk 10th graders scored at the advanced level in math compared to a 53% state-wide average. Mohawk 10th graders also outperformed the state-wide average in science and technology/ engineering. Mohawk's 7th graders achieved student growth percentiles of 63 in ELA and 67 in math, far higher than the state median of 50.

The Mohawk MS-HS athletic program continued to flourish during 2015 with 38 teams and 20 sports, including the introduction of wrestling. Approximately 50% of the students participated in at least one sport, and 44% participated in multiple sports. The Mohawk MS-HS music and theater programs were also vibrant with impressive levels of student participation.

Buckland-Shelburne Elementary School: Level 1 (School Percentile 56)

BSE continued to perform at a very high level in 2015, achieving a second consecutive classification as a Level 1 school. Additionally, BSE's school percentile improved a whopping fourteen points to the 56th percentile. Over the past five years, BSE has improved from a Level 3 classification to Level 1 and tripled its school percentile ranking! In tandem with this educational success, BSE's enrollment has increased 32% from 197 to 259.

Sanderson Academy. Level 2 (School Percentile 58)

Sanderson remained a very high performing school with a percentile ranking of 58. For the first time in the school's history, Sanderson offered preschool. The community response was compelling with approximately forty 3-year old and 4-year old students enrolling, which more than doubled the District's forecast. As a result, we needed to add a second preschool class to accommodate the demand, and Sanderson's enrollment increased 17% to 149 students!

Colrain Central School. Level 2 (School Percentile 35)

Colrain students performed very well for the second consecutive year, which improved the school percentile ranking five points to 35. 72% of the students scored proficient or higher in ELA, which is a 39 point improvement over the past two years. Similarly, 67% of the students scored proficient or higher in math, which is a 23 point improvement over the same time frame. Both Colrain's ELA and math proficiency rates exceeded the state-wide average.

Heath Elementary School. Level 1 (School Percentile 59)

Heath Elementary achieved its third consecutive year of Level 1 classification, which is the best in the district. 73% of the students scored proficient or higher in ELA, which is a fifteen point improvement over the prior year. 67% of the students scored proficient or higher in math. Both Heath's ELA and math proficiency rates also exceeded the state-wide average.

In 2015 the introduction of a half-day, district-wide preschool program reversed a long term trend of declining enrollment in the MTRSD. Additionally, all of our district schools improved significantly, resulting in classifications of Level 1 or Level 2 and several percentile rankings approaching 60, which is unprecedented. Our students, staff, families, administrators and school committee deserve a great deal of credit for this continued high level of educational success. Our townspeople and town officials also deserve a great deal of credit for their ongoing support of our schools, which is essential to the MTRSD's continued success.

On behalf of our students, I thank our entire school community for your dedicated support of our children's education. THANK YOU!

Respectfully submitted,

Michael A. Buoniconti
Superintendent of Schools

CARL H. NILMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND 2015

The fund was established under the provisions of the will of Carl H. Nillman for the purpose of providing scholarships. Recipients shall reside in the School District and be graduates of the Mohawk Trail Regional High School who desire and are deemed worthy of post high school education or training and who are in need of financial assistance.

This year the Awards subcommittee read 76 applications, 38 were from seniors and 38 from previous graduates of Mohawk. \$33,200.00 is to be awarded using 30% for seniors and 70% for graduates. The Committee feels that seniors have multiple scholarship opportunities from other sources while graduates have far fewer resources. 30 scholarships totaling \$10,400.00 were awarded to seniors (79% of applicants). 32 scholarships totaling \$22,800.00 were given to graduates (84% of applicants).

From 1991 – 2015 a total of \$876,625.00 has been awarded in scholarships, Mohawk seniors have received \$270,775.00 and \$605,850.00 has been awarded to Mohawk graduates.

The application is once again available on line to the graduates. Seniors can pick their applications up at Mohawk High School.

There are 15 members on the Carl H. Nilman Scholarship Committee. One from each of the nine member towns in the district, three at large members appointed by the School Committee, plus a past School Committee member, current School Committee member and the chairman of the School Committee. Members from the nine towns are: Sheila Graves (Ashfield), Marion Scott (Buckland), Marge Porrovecchio (Charlemont), Michelle Hillman (Colrain), Jonathan Diamond (Heath), Alice Parker (Hawley), Allen Irvine (Plainfield), Marion Taylor (Shelburne), and Rowe (open).

Officers are: Marge Porrovecchio and Robin Hartnett, Co-Chair, and Marion Scott, Secretary. Subcommittees: Finance, Marion Taylor, Robin Hartnett, David Engle/Eric Sumner. Scholarship: Marge Porrovecchio, Sheila Graves, Michelle Hillman, Marion Scott and Allen Irvine.

The Mohawk community owes a debt of gratitude to Mr. Nilman for his foresight in supporting higher education for the students of the Mohawk Trail Regional High School. The committee members are honored to bring the wishes of his will to fruition.

Students of any age who are graduates of Mohawk (and were living in the nine town area at the time of graduation) are encouraged to apply for scholarships to help meet their continuing education needs. Call the Guidance Office at Mohawk for information regarding requirements and deadlines.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion E. Scott, Secretary

MARY LYON FOUNDATION 2015

Innovative Support for Local Education

This year the Mary Lyon Foundation is celebrating its 25th anniversary of providing innovative support for local education. Established in 1990 and incorporated in 1991, 2016 will be a year to reflect on past accomplishments and future challenges. Stay tuned for news of an upcoming celebration!

We are grateful for the many generous gifts of time, talent, and treasure by individuals, businesses, and organizations which make our work possible. We were pleased to be awarded \$15,000 for the Mini-Grant Program and Student Assistance Fund by the United Way of Franklin County, greatly expanding our capacity to support the needs of students, families, and teachers throughout West County. We especially appreciate the continuing financial support of the Myrtle Atkinson Foundation, the Cleveland Dodge Foundation, Bristol Myers Squibb, and the Harper Gerry family. We are also indebted to the Staples Foundation and the Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts for grants to purchase new equipment.

The Annual Lyonnaise in May showcased excellence in education with a presentation by Massachusetts Teacher of the Year Dr. Jeffrey Shea, student performances, a display of Mini-Grant projects, and presentations of the following awards: the George Needham Business Award to Baker Pharmacy, Jim Boulger Spirit of Adventure Award to Gabe Coler, Outstanding Mohawk Alumni Award to Brendan Lattrell, and Pat Kerrins Career Award to Melinda Gougeon, Ed.D.

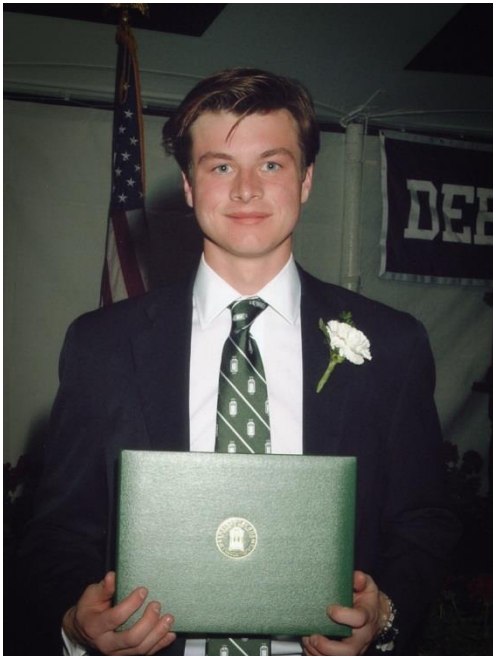
In August, the Annual Children's Literature Festival once again explored local history with literature, crafts, and visits to nearby sites. In September, with support from the Pioneer Valley History Network, MassHumanities, the Buckland, Colrain, Heath and Shelburne councils of the Massachusetts Cultural Council, and a number of sponsors, the lively Hilltowns History Fair and Conference held at Mohawk Trail Regional School brought history to life for all generations.

Through the generosity of sponsors and raffle donors, an enthusiastic audience, many volunteers, and our 25 teams of intrepid spellers, the 10th Annual Mary Lyon Foundation Community Spelling Bee raised more money than ever before—approximately \$8,000—for educational projects. This spirited annual event is a testament to the community's strong commitment to excellence in education! Grand champions were once again the Spelling Beans sponsored by Shelburne Falls Coffee Roasters

In May, Founder and Executive Director, Sue Samoriski, welcomed Sheila Damkoehler to serve as Co-Executive Director. Our part-time staff includes Business Manager Gina Sieber, volunteer Office Manager Sandy Gilbert, and Student Intern Sequoia LeBreux. Members of our Board of Directors are Sylvia Orcutt, President; Marion Taylor, Past President; Hugh Knox, Vice President; Karen Fairbrother, Treasurer; Sharon Hudson, Corresponding Secretary; Suzanne Conway Legreze, Recording Secretary; Susan Schuman, Larry Wells, Robin Huntley and Mohawk students Emma Guyette, Lilly Wells and Eli Shearer. We are very grateful for their time and commitment!

Susan Samoriski
Sheila Damkoehler,
Co-Executive Directors

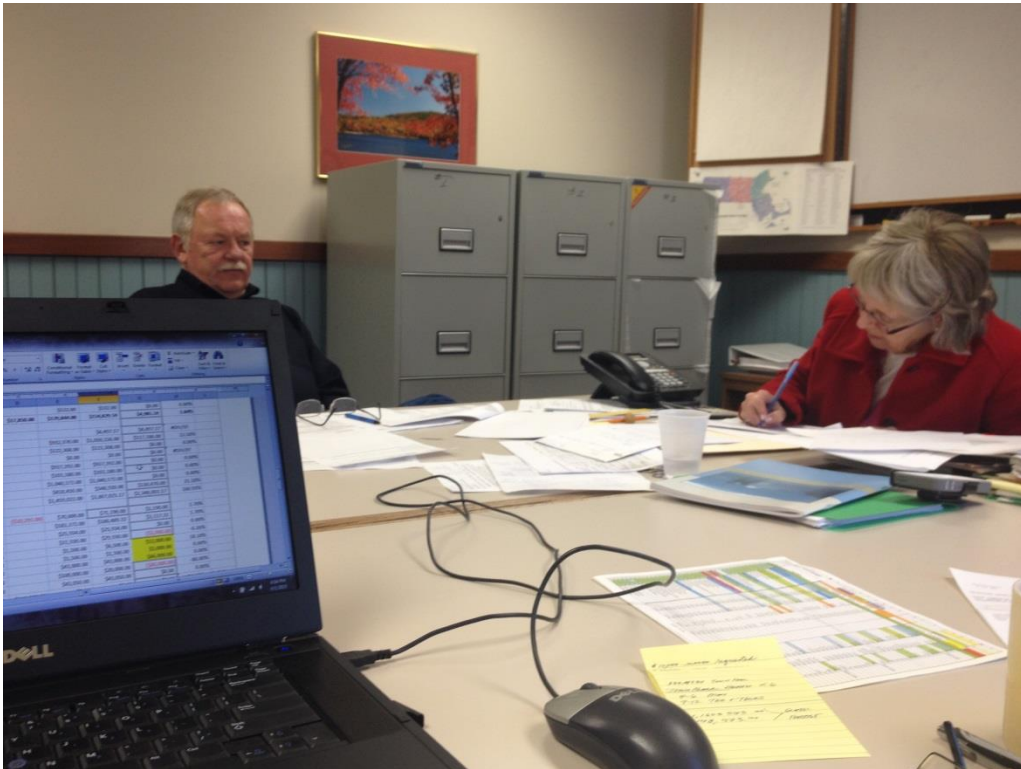
Rowe High School Graduates 2015



Madison Baker

2015 Graduate of Deerfield Academy

Not Pictured: **Brianna Demech** - Graduate FC Technical High School



Select Board Members Work on FY 16 Administrative Budget

Selectman Quist and Chair Wilson - Photograph by Janice Boudreau

ASSESSORS CHERRY SHEET - 2015

**C.S. 1-ER Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Department of Revenue FY2015
NOTICE TO ASSESSORS OF ESTIMATED RECEIPTS
General Laws, Chapter 58, Section 25A
Rowe**

A. EDUCATION:

Distributions and Reimbursements:

Chapter 70	103,362
School Transportation	0
Charter Tuition Reimbursement	893
Smart Growth	0
Offset Items – Reserve for Direct Expenditure:	
School Lunch	466
School Choice Receiving Tuition	97,461
Sub-Total, All Education Items:	202,182

B. GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Distributions and Reimbursements:

Unrestricted General Government Aid	3,506
Local Share of Racing Taxes	0
Regional Public Libraries	0
Urban Revitalization	0
Veterans Benefits	0
Exempt: VBS and Elderly	2,233
State Owned Land	6,491
Offset Item - Reserve for Direct Expenditure:	
Public Libraries	1,736
Sub-Total, All General Government:	13,966

C. TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS: 216,148

ASSESSORS CHERRY SHEET - 2015

C.S. 1-EC Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Revenue FY2015 NOTICE TO ASSESSORS OF ESTIMATED CHARGES

General Laws, Chapter 59, Section 21

Rowe

A. COUNTY ASSESSMENTS:

County Tax	0
Suffolk County Retirement	0
Essex County Reg Comm Center	0
Sub-Total, County Assessments:	0

B. STATE ASSESSMENTS AND CHARGES:

Retired Employees Health Insurance	0
Retired Teachers Health Insurance	0
Mosquito Control Projects	0
Air Pollution	388
Metropolitan Area Planning Council	0
Old Colony Planning Council	0
RMV Non-Renewal Surcharge	240
Sub-Total, State Assessments:	628

C. TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES:

MBTA	0
Boston Metro. Transit District	0
Regional Transit	3,137
Sub-Total, Transportation Assessments:	3,137

D. ANNUAL CHARGES AGAINST RECEIPTS:

Special Education	0
STRAP Repayments	0
Sub-Total, Annual Charges Against Receipts:	0

E. TUITION ASSESSMENTS:

School Choice Sending Tuition	7,778
Charter School Sending Tuition	20,973
Essex County Tech Sending Tuition	0
Sub-Total, Tuition Assessments:	28,751

F. TOTAL ESTIMATED CHARGES: 32,516

TAX RATES BY CLASS – 12 YEAR COMPARISON

Municipality	Fiscal Year	Residential Tax Rate	Open Space Tax Rate	Commerical Tax Rate	Industrial Tax Rate	Personal Property Tax Rate
Rowe	2003	3.49	0.00	5.52	5.52	5.52
Rowe	2004	3.59	0.00	5.67	5.67	5.67
Rowe	2005	3.59	0.00	5.79	5.79	5.79
Rowe	2006	4.10	0.00	8.71	8.71	8.71
Rowe	2007	4.11	0.00	8.84	8.84	8.84
Rowe	2008	4.52	0.00	9.64	9.64	9.64
Rowe	2009	4.56	0.00	9.74	9.74	9.74
Rowe	2010	5.22	0.00	11.29	11.29	11.29
Rowe	2011	5.33	0.00	11.56	11.56	11.56
Rowe	2012	5.16	0.00	11.19	11.19	11.19
Rowe	2013	6.30	0.00	14.08	14.08	14.08
Rowe	2014	6.07	0.00	13.38	13.38	13.38
Rowe	2015	5.90	0.00	13.01	13.01	13.01

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION 2015

State Tax Form 31C

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
TAX RATE RECAPITULATION

FISCAL 2016

OF
ROWE
City / Town / District

I. TAX RATE SUMMARY

Ia. Total amount to be raised (from IIe) \$ 4,215,906.91
Ib. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (from IIIe) 666,271.09
Ic. Tax levy (Ia minus Ib) \$ 3,549,635.82
Id. Distribution of Tax Rates and levies

CLASS	(b) Levy percentage (from LA - 5)	(c) IC above times each percent in col (b)	(d) Valuation by class (from LA - 5)	(e) Tax Rates (c) / (d) x 1000	(f) Levy by class (d) x (e) / 1000
Residential	8.7094%	309,151.98	51,306,024	6.03	309,375.32
Net of Exempt					0.00
Open Space	0.0000%	0.00	0		0.00
Commercial	0.0941%	3,340.21	250,691	13.31	3,336.70
Net of Exempt					0.00
Industrial	65.5595%	2,327,123.50	174,828,500	13.31	2,326,967.34
SUBTOTAL	74.3630%		226,385,215		2,639,679.36
Personal	25.6370%	910,020.14	68,366,376	13.31	909,956.46
TOTAL	100.0000%		294,751,591		3,549,635.82

Board of Assessors of

ROWE

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NOTE : The information was Approved on 10/08/2015.

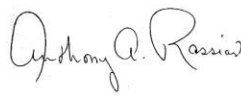
Frederick N. Williams, Board Of Assessors Chairman, Rowe,
413-339-5520
Assessor

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Date (Comments)

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Reviewed By
Date :
Approved :
Director of Accounts

Matthew Andre
08-OCT-15
Dennis Mountain


(Anthony A Rassias)

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION 2015 (Continued)

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION

FISCAL 2016

ROWE

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II. Amounts to be raised

Ila. Appropriations (col.(b) through col.(e) from page 4)	\$	3,825,163.09
Ilb. Other amounts to be raised		
1. Amounts certified for tax title purposes	0.00	
2. Debt and interest charges not included on page 4	0.00	
3. Final court judgements	0.00	
4. Total overlay deficits of prior years	0.00	
5. Total cherry sheet offsets (see cherry sheet 1-ER)	95,554.00	
6. Revenue deficits	0.00	
7. Offset receipts deficits Ch. 44, Sec. 53E	0.00	
8. Authorized Deferral of Teachers' Pay	0.00	
9. Snow and ice deficit Ch. 44, Sec. 31D	0.00	
10. Other (specify on separate letter)	196,541.13	
TOTAL Ilb (Total lines 1 through 10)		292,095.13
Ilc. State and county cherry sheet charges (C.S. 1-EC)		64,133.00
Ild. Allowance for abatements and exemptions (overlay)		34,515.69
Ile. Total amount to be raised (Total Ila through Ild)	\$	4,215,906.91

III. Estimated receipts and other revenue sources

IIIa. Estimated receipts - State		
1. Cherry sheet estimated receipts (C.S. 1-ER Total)	\$	256,137.00
2. Massachusetts school building authority payments	0.00	
TOTAL IIIa		256,137.00
IIIb. Estimated receipts - Local		
1. Local receipts not allocated (page 3, col(b), Line 24)	54,210.00	
2. Offset Receipts (Schedule A-1)	0.00	
3. Enterprise Funds (Schedule A-2)	0.00	
4. Community Preservation Funds (See Schedule A-4)	0.00	
TOTAL IIIb		54,210.00
IIIc. Revenue sources appropriated for particular purposes		
1. Free cash (page 4, col.(c))	25,000.00	
2. Other available funds (page 4, col.(d))	223,008.09	
TOTAL IIIc		248,008.09
IIId. Other revenue sources appropriated specifically to reduce the tax rate		
1a. Free cash..appropriated on or before June 30, 2015	107,916.00	
b. Free cash..appropriated on or after July 1, 2015	0.00	
2. Municipal light source	0.00	
3. Teachers' pay deferral	0.00	
4. Other source :	0.00	
TOTAL IIId		107,916.00
IIIe. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (Total IIIa through IIId)	\$	666,271.09

IV. Summary of total amount to be raised and total receipts from all sources

a. Total amount to be raised (from Ile)	\$	4,215,906.91
b. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (from IIIe)	\$	666,271.09
c. Total real and personal property tax levy (from Ic)	\$	3,549,635.82
d. Total receipts from all sources (total IVb plus IVc)	\$	4,215,906.91

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION 2015 (Continued)

LOCAL RECEIPTS NOT ALLOCATED *

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION

ROWE

City/Town/District

	(a) Actual Receipts Fiscal 2015	(b) Estimated Receipts Fiscal 2016
==> 1 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	42,924.87	42,000.00
2 OTHER EXCISE		
==> a.Meals	0.00	0.00
==> b.Room	0.00	0.00
==> c.Other	0.00	0.00
==> 3 PENALTIES AND INTEREST ON TAXES AND EXCISES	1,720.33	1,500.00
==> 4 PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	2,000.00	0.00
5 CHARGES FOR SERVICES - WATER	0.00	0.00
6 CHARGES FOR SERVICES - SEWER	0.00	0.00
7 CHARGES FOR SERVICES - HOSPITAL	0.00	0.00
8 CHARGES FOR SERVICES - SOLID WASTE FEES	0.00	0.00
9 OTHER CHARGES FOR SERVICES	0.00	0.00
10 FEES	665.17	250.00
11 RENTALS	5,222.25	5,220.00
12 DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE - SCHOOLS	0.00	0.00
13 DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE - LIBRARIES	0.00	0.00
14 DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE - CEMETERIES	0.00	0.00
15 DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE - RECREATION	0.00	0.00
16 OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE	0.00	0.00
17 LICENSES AND PERMITS	370.00	300.00
18 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	0.00	0.00
==> 19 FINES AND FORFEITS	515.00	515.00
==> 20 INVESTMENT INCOME	1,094.71	1,095.00
==> 21 MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT	4,303.66	0.00
==> 22 MISCELLANEOUS RECURRING (PLEASE SPECIFY)	9,827.46	0.00
23 MISCELLANEOUS NON-RECURRING (PLEASE SPECIFY)	13,331.47	3,330.00
24 TOTALS	\$ 81,974.92	\$ 54,210.00

I hereby certify that the actual receipts as shown in column (a) are, to the best of my knowledge correct and complete, and I further certify that I have examined the entries made on page 4 of the Fiscal 2016 tax rate recapitulation form by the City, Town or District Clerk and hereby acknowledge that such entries correctly reflect the appropriations made and the sources from which such appropriations are to be met.

Tracey Baronas, Town Accountant, Rowe, 413-339-5520

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Accounting Officer

Date

* Do not include receipts in columns (a) or (b) that were voted by the City / Town / District Council or Town Meeting as offset receipts on Schedule A-1, enterprise funds on Schedule A-2, or revolving funds on Schedule A-3. Written documentation should be submitted to support increases / decreases of estimated receipts to actual receipts.

==> Written documentation should be submitted to support increases/ decreases of FY 2015 estimated receipts to FY2016 estimated

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION 2015 (Continued)

CERTIFICATION OF APPROPRIATIONS AND SOURCES OF FUNDING

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION

ROWE

FISCAL 2016

City / Town / District

APPROPRIATIONS							AUTHORIZATIONS	
							MEMO ONLY	
City / Town Council or Town Meeting Dates	FY*	(a) Total Appropriations of Each Meeting	(b) ** From Raise and Appropriate	(c) From Free Cash See B-1	(d) From Other Available Funds See B-2	(e) From Offset Receipts (See A-1), Enterprise Funds (See A-2), or Community Preservation Fund (See A-4)	(f) *** Revolving Funds (See A-3)	(g) Borrowing Authorization
05/11/2015	2016	3,742,505.00	3,577,155.00	0.00	165,350.00	0.00	28,000.00	860,000.00
05/11/2015	2015	25,000.00	0.00	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
06/29/2015	2015	57,658.09	0.00	0.00	57,658.09	0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals		3,825,163.09	3,577,155.00	25,000.00	223,008.09	0.00		
		Must Equal Cols. (b) thru (e)						

I hereby certify that the appropriations correctly reflect the votes taken by City / Town / District Council.

ROWE

Jennifer A Morse, Town Clerk, Rowe, 413-339-5520

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City/Town/District

Clerk

Date

PROPERTY TRANSFERS FOR 2015

GREANEY, LISA MARIE (aka Greaney, Lisa M.) of Buckland, MA, in consideration of \$1.00, grant to **GREANEY, LISA M.** Trustee of the **GREANEY Investment Trust** of Buckland, MA, property located at 81 Hazelton Road. (Map 202 Lots 24 & 25)

MORANO, CARA L. of Greenfield, MA, in accordance with the terms of the separation agreement, grant to **MORANO, CHRISTOPHER P.** of Rowe, property located at 14 Old Cyrus Stage Road. (Map 201 Lots 28 & 29)

RICE, BRADLEY J. Executor under the Will of **RICE, DONALD A.** of Rowe, in consideration of \$1.00, grant to **RICE, BRADLEY J.** of Rowe, property located at 24 Brittingham Hill Road. (Map 407 Lot 7)

SLAUNWHITE, FRANCIS R., Personal Representative of the Estate of **SLAUNWHITE, NELL L.** of Charlemont, MA, for consideration of \$1.00, grant to **SLAUNWHITE, FRANCIS R.** of Charlemont, MA, property located on No Number Tatro Road. (Map 409 Lot 6)

BAINBRIDGE, CHARLES C. of Hobe Sound, Florida, for consideration of \$1.00, grant to **BAINBRIDGE, ANDREW C.** of Atlanta, Georgia, property located on Lot #13 Pelham Drive. (Map 201 Lot 49)

SMITH, FLOYD WILLIAM SR. of No. Adams, MA, for consideration paid in the amount of \$50,000.00, grant to **STANFORD, TAMMY J. & RONALD B.** of Warwick, MA, property located on 12 Monroe Hill Road. (Map 404 Lot 013.1)

SMITH, FLOYD WILLIAM SR. of No. Adams, MA, for no consideration, grant to **SMITH, MARGARET** of Pownal, VT, property located on Hazelton Road. (Map 404 Lot 3)

CORARITO, ARTHUR D. & MARY ANN of Rowe, for consideration of \$115,000.00, grant to **LIVELY, JAMES & DEBORAH** of Rowe, property located at 64 Dell Road. (Map 403 Lot 60)

SAICH, WILLIAM J. JR. & PATRICIA O'CONNOR of Hartsdale, NY, for consideration of \$10.00, grant to **SAICH, WILLIAM J. Revocable Trust** of Hartsdale, NY, Property located at 76 Davis Mine Road. (Map 408, Lots 05, 22, 23 & 25)

SOUSA, JAMES E. of Rowe, in consideration of \$1.00, grant to **SOUSA, ANDREW J.** of Taunton, MA, property located at 99 Brittingham Hill Road. (Map 407 Lot 39)

ADAMS, PAUL E. & JEANNETTE H. of Belleview, FL, for consideration of \$157,000.00, grant to **STANFORD, TAMMY J. & RONALD B.** Trustees of the **TAMMY J. STANFORD Living Trust** of Warwick MA, property located at 476 Tunnel Road. (Map 407 Lot 28)

REYNOLDS-GALLAGHAR, DANETTE of Rowe & **GALLAGHAR, ROBERT** of Royersford, PA, in consideration for a Separation Agreement, grant to **REYNOLDS-GALLAGHAR, DANETTE** of Rowe, property located at 30 Potter Road. (Map 403 Lot 4)

PETERSEN, DAUREEN W. Trustee of the **PETERSEN, Investment Trust** of Rowe, in consideration of \$1.00, grant to **PETERSEN, DAUREEN W. & CIRINNA, GEOFFREY T.**, property located at 252 Zoar Road. (Map 203 Lots 7 & 10)

MILES, PAUL L. of Franklin Lakes, NJ, in consideration of \$1.00, grant to **MILES, PAUL L. & GABUCAN MILES, MARISSA** of Franklin Lakes, NJ, in consideration of \$1.00, property located at 9 Pelham Drive, Rowe. (Map 201 Lot 57)

HAYDEN, JACK P. of Buckland, MA, for no monetary consideration, grant to **PDV, INC.**, property located on County Road, (Map 407 Lots 49, 50, 51 & 52)

VEBER, TERRY H. & CAROLE A. of Rowe, for no monetary consideration, grant to **VEBER, TERRY H.** property located at 294 Zoar Road. (Map 203 Lot 22)

VEBER, TERRY H. & CAROLE A. of Rowe, for no monetary consideration, grant to **VEBER, TERRY H.** of Rowe, property located at 292 Zoar Road. (Map 203 Lot 21)

KEENEY, EDWARD V. SR. of Middletown, CT, for consideration of \$162,500.00, grant to **KUEHL, MICHAEL W.** of Colrain, MA, property located at 36 Cyrus Stage Road. (Map 403 Lot 41)

AUDETTE, JOSEPH W. of Greenfield, MA, for consideration of \$99,000.00, grant to **HOLBROOK, RACHEL** of Shelburne Falls, MA, property located at 127 County Road. (Map 203 Lot 37)

RICE, ROBERT R. & MARGARET E. of Rowe, in consideration of \$1.00, grant to **RICE, DEAN T. & POPLAWSKI, CLAUDINE M.** of Rowe, as joint tenants with the right of survivorship, property located at 88 Davis Mine Road. (Map 408 Lot 24)

RICE, BRADLEY J. of Rowe, in consideration of \$145,000.00, grant to **SIMPSON, ELIAKIM H.** of Rowe, property located at 24 Brittingham Hill Road. (Map 407 Lot 7)

FIELD, CARL E. of Bowie, MD, Personal Representative of the **Estate of FIELD, ALAN R.**, for less than \$100.00, grant to **FIELD, CARL E.**, surviving Trustee of the **ALAN R. FIELD LIVING TRUST** of Bowie, MD, property located on Ford Hill Road. (Map 202 Lot 55)

ANNEAR, TINA L. of Orange, MA, for consideration of \$1.00, grant to **ANNEAR, DENNIS M. & TINA L.** of Orange, MA, property located at 13 Pelham Drive. (Map 201 Lot 55)

DELMHORST, BARBARA S. of Madison, CT, **DELMHORST, KRISTINA S.** of Buckland, MA & **DELMHORST BERTON, JENNIFER ANNE** of Newport, RI, Representatives of the **SMITH, ROYAL S. ESTATE**, for consideration of \$5,000.00, grant to **UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST ROWE CAMP & CONFERENCE CENTER, INC.** of Rowe, property located on Kings Highway. (Map 204 Lot 21)

FEDERAL HOME LOAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, of McLean, VA, for consideration of \$53,000.00, grant to **NSP RESIDENTIAL, LLC** of Boston, MA, property located at 21 Newell Cross Road. (Map 202 Lot 13)

NSP RESIDENTIAL, LLC of Roxbury, MA, for consideration of \$70,243.75, grant to **SHIPPEE, JULIE J. & KENNETH R.** of Rowe, property located at 21 Newell Cross Road. (Map 202 Lot 13)

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT – FISCAL YEAR - 2015

Year/Tax	Outstanding 7-1-14	Commitments	Abatements	Tax Title	Payments	Refunds	Adjust - ments *	Outstanding 6-30-15
00 MVE	-67.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-67.50
01 MVE	-72.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-72.50
02 MVE	-42.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-42.50
04 MVE	-81.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-81.67
05 MVE	-223.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	223.75	0.00	0.00	0.00
06 MVE	-266.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	52.50	0.00	0.00	-213.76
07 MVE	-640.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-640.42
08 MVE	-366.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-366.25
09 MVE	-152.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-152.50
10 MVE	-691.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-691.25
11 MVE	-316.04	0	0	0.00	86.46	0.00	0.00	-229.58
12 MVE	-770.42	0	0	0.00	172.5	0.00	0.00	-597.92
13 MVE	-1,415.32	0	0	0.00	434.38	0.00	0.00	-980.94
14 MVE	-3,251.27	-4262.64	271.77	0.00	7266.46	-288.70	0.00	-264.38
15 MVE	0.00	-38715.23	67.60	0.00	35090.54	-68.85	0.00	-3,625.94
11 RE	-58.36	0	0	0.00	58.36	0.00	0.00	0.00
12 RE	-233.24	0	0	0.00	233.24	0.00	0.00	0.00
13 RE	-1,231.44	0	0	0.00	1183.56	0.00	0.00	-47.88
14 RE	-6,926.60	0	0	0.00	4124.57	0.00	0.00	-2,802.03
15 RE	0.00	-2571178.43	4796.76	76.11	2558090.11	-1,823.62	0.00	-10,039.07
15 PP	0.00	-820510.88	0	0.00	820510.88	0	0.00	0.00
TOTALS	-16,807.29	-3,434,667.18	5,136.13	76.11	3,427,527.31	-2,181.17	0.00	-20,916.09

Miscellaneous Collections

Lien Fees	\$ 275.00
Demand/Warrant/Misc. Fees	535.00
Deputy Collector Fees	327.00
Mark for Non-Renewal	420.00
Interest on Overdue Tax Payments	1680.11
NSF Fees Collected	5.71
Bank Interest	.21
TT Fees/Postage Legal Ad	83.17
TOTAL	\$ 3326.20

TOWN OF ROWE – BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS - JUNE 30, 2015

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>SPECIAL REVENUES</u>	<u>TRUST & AGENCY</u>
<u>LONG-TERM DEBT</u>			

Cash	\$855,677.66	\$146,290.23	\$146,290.23
Real Estate Taxes	\$12,888.98		
Allowance for Abatements	\$(117,846.83)		
Tax Titles	\$2,547.88		
Motor Veh Ex Tax Receipts	\$8,027.11		
Due From Hawlemont	\$59.84		
Total Assets	\$761,354.64	\$146,290.23	\$146,290.23

LIABILITIES - JUNE 30, 2015

<u>LIABILITIES</u>	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>SPECIAL REVENUES</u>	<u>TRUST & AGENCY</u>	<u>LONG-TERM DEBT</u>
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Warrants Payable	\$238.78			
Accrued Payroll	\$(1,261.82)			
Accrued School Payroll	\$5,151.98			
Dental Insurance	\$231.49			
Medical Insurance W/H	\$3,809.18			
Deferred Rev-Prop Tax	\$(104,957.85)			
Deferred Rev-Tax Title	\$2,547.88			
Deferred Rev-MV Excise	\$8027.11			
Off Duty Police			\$379.90	
Retiree Health Ins Payable			\$15,286.10	
Due to Deputy Tax Collector			\$84.00	
Due to Fish & Wildlife			\$69.00	
Due to Town Clerk			\$113.80	
Due to Permit Applicant			\$500.00	
Firearms Permits			\$1,400	
School Activity Agency			\$1352.49	
Total Liabilities	(86,213.25)		\$19,723.47	

TOWN OF ROWE – BALANCE SHEET

FUND EQUITY - JUNE 30, 2015

FUND EQUITY	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUES	TRUST & AGENCY	LONG-TERM DEBT
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FB Res for Encumbrances	\$88,802.22			
Free Cash to Balance Budget	\$107,916.00			
FB Res Carryovers	\$174,784.66			
Unreserved Fund Balance	\$489,846.14			
FB School Con Audi Corrections	(\$13,781.13)			
Cultural Council		\$5061.81		
F School Programs Revolving		\$1,756.60		
Recycling Revolving Program		\$3,174.94		
BOH Vaccine Pur Revolving		\$659.16		
Old Home Day		\$1,835.99		
MAPHCO Grant		(\$361.45)		
School Lunch		\$6,793./30		
Dollar General School Grant		\$13,812.16		
Ed Jobs Grant 206-305		\$282.00		
REAP Grant		\$16,473.64		
Field Trip/Act Scholarship Gift		\$516.60		
SPED PR Improv 274-333		\$89.00		
SPED IDEA Grant 240-303, 94-192		(\$4,896.08)		
Rowe School Capital Campaign		\$2,852.56		
Title 1 (305) Grant		(11,040.76)		
School Choice		\$82,729.22		
SPED Early Child 8-135		(\$262.01)		
Kindergarden Grant 701		\$18,260.27		
Title 11A Improving Ed Quality		\$1,620.00		
After School Tuition		\$241.10		
School Construction Ins Proceeds		(\$2,870.52)		
Police Donations		\$1,230.00		
FD First Resp. Donation W. Brown		\$200.00		
2014 EMPG		(\$3,995.00)		
School Grant		\$1,000		
DPW Break-in Proceeds		\$1,178.28		
MEMA 09 Grant		\$12,060.82		
Council on Aging Grant		\$3,142.42		
DEP Recycling Grant		(\$153.88)		
Dare Grant-Police		\$36.88		
Community Policing Grant		\$38.79		
DEP Small Scale Grant		\$500.00		
Library State Aid		\$4,880.32		
WRAP Winter Recovery		(\$21,958.00)		
Wetlands Protection		\$645.31		
Cemetery Sale of Lots		\$763.00		
East Cemetery Gift Account		\$500.00		
West Cemetery Gift Account		\$25.00		
Park Gift Account		\$312.00		
Brian Vega Scholarship Gift Acct.		\$4,525.48		
Library Gift Account		\$416.89		
Lib-FWMLA Bks/Periodicals Grant		\$2,100.00		

Mary Lyon Grant		\$433.07		
Greenfield Garden Club Grant		\$1,438.32		
MTCRT Clean Energy Grant		\$203.00		
<u>FUND EQUITY</u>	<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>SPECIAL REVENUES</u>	<u>TRUST & AGENCY</u>	<u>LONG-TERM DEBT</u>
Martha Henry Memorial Non-Exp			\$3,213.51	
Rowe Library Fund Non-Expend			\$136.08	
Charles Wells Mem Library Non			\$500.00	
Preserved Smith Library Non-Ex			\$1,000.00	
Demons/Gould Mem Lib Non-Ex			\$5,000.00	
A.B. White Mem Library Non-Ex			\$1,404.00	
L. Tower Jones Mem Library Non-			\$1,404.00	
Rowe Mem Scholarship Expend			\$3,723.72	
Martha Henry Memorial Expend			\$5,532.52	
Perpetual Care Cemeteries Exp			\$20,492.21	
Rowe Library Fund Expendable			\$346.37	
Charles Wells Mem Library			\$2,972.34	
Preserved Smith Library Non-Ex			\$828.14	
Demons/Gould Mem Lib Non-Ex			\$11,854.83	
Foster Donation Expendable			\$3,110.58	
A.B. White Mem Library Expend			\$4,079.42	
L.Tower Jones Mem Library Expen			\$4,079.42	
Stabilization			\$975,491.79	
Capital Stabilization			\$741,338.21	
Total Fund Equity	\$847,567.89	\$146,290.23	\$1,786,507.14	
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$761,354.64		\$1,806,230.61	

TOWN ACCOUNTANT – GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES REPORT 2015

Town of Rowe FY 2015 General Fund Expenditure Report

as of: 6/30/2015

General Government	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-114-100 Moderator Stipend		425.00		425.00	425.00	0.00	100 %
01-5-122-100 Selectmen Stipends		5,742.00		5,742.00	5,742.00	0.00	100 %
01-5-123-100 BOS Administrative Clerk		38,793.00	-2,418.31	36,374.69	36,374.69	0.00	100 %
01-5-123-110 Administrative Assist. Comp		6,598.00	-900.00	5,698.00	5,697.34	0.66	100 %
01-5-123-400 General Administrative Expe		26,000.00	-500.00	25,500.00	23,886.72	1,613.28	94%
01-5-132-400 Reserve Fund		20,000.00	-6,676.03	13,323.97		13,323.97	
01-5-135-400 Payroll Services		4,250.00	500.00	4,750.00	4,101.25	648.75	86%
01-5-141-100 Assessor Stipends		5,187.00		5,187.00	5,187.00	0.00	100 %
01-5-141-110 Assessor Clerk Compensatio		9,496.00		9,496.00	7,343.60	2,152.40	77%
01-5-141-400 Assessors' Operation		8,000.00		8,000.00	7,693.22	306.78	96%
01-5-145-100 Treasurer		12,982.00	560.74	13,542.74	13,542.74	0.00	100 %
01-5-145-110 Assistant Treasurer Compens		6,699.00	1,100.00	7,799.00	7,781.07	17.93	100 %
01-5-146-100 Tax Collector Stipend		7,390.00		7,390.00	7,390.00	0.00	100 %
01-5-146-400 Tax Collector Operations		7,290.00		7,290.00	7,121.62	168.38	98%
01-5-150-400 Town Officer Expense		2,000.00	-248.00	1,752.00	1,607.61	144.39	92%
01-5-150-410 IT Hardware/Software		10,350.00	-2,398.00	7,952.00	3,212.49	4,739.51	40%
01-5-150-420 IT Consultant		6,500.00	663.00	7,163.00	7,162.99	0.01	100 %
01-5-150-430 Town-wide Notification Syst		1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00	
01-5-151-400 Legal Expense		10,000.00	-877.45	9,122.55	3,650.00	5,472.55	40%
01-5-161-100 Town Clerk Stipend		9,781.00		9,781.00	9,781.00	0.00	100 %
01-5-162-100 Registrars/Census Compensat		350.00		350.00	275.00	75.00	79%
01-5-162-400 Election/Teller Expenses		4,800.00		4,800.00	4,097.48	702.52	85%
01-5-171-400 Conservation Comm Operati		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,359.52	140.48	91%
01-5-175-400 Planning Board Operations		1,250.00		1,250.00	412.57	837.43	33%
01-5-175-410 Planning Board Consulting E		5,000.00		5,000.00	1,223.25	3,776.75	24%
01-5-175-420 PB Goal Post Operations		10,100.00		10,100.00	9,051.28	1,048.72	90%
01-5-192-110 Town Hall Custodian Wages		12,596.00	-1,741.65	10,854.35	9,326.63	1,527.72	86%
01-5-192-400 Municipal Center Op. & Mai		15,420.00	904.16	16,324.16	12,682.24	3,641.92	78%
01-5-192-410 Town Hall Fuel Oil		5,000.00	2,046.01	7,046.01	7,046.01	0.00	100 %
01-5-192-420 Town Hall Electricity		5,000.00	2,592.66	7,592.66	6,982.57	610.09	92%
01-5-192-430 Town Hall Elevator Maintena		3,777.00		3,777.00	3,767.81	9.19	100 %
01-5-192-440 Energy Committee Operation		500.00		500.00	500.00	0.00	100 %
01-5-193-400 Bonding & Insurance		45,000.00	924.00	45,924.00	45,669.00	255.00	99%
01-5-195-400 Print Town Reports		3,000.00	-758.87	2,241.13	1,968.54	272.59	88%
General Government Totals:		311,776.00	-7,227.74	304,548.26	262,062.24	42,486.02	

Public Safety	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-210-100 Police Chief Stipend		13,422.00		13,422.00	13,422.00	0.00	100 %
01-5-210-110 Police Officers Compensatio		25,147.00		25,147.00	25,139.52	7.48	100 %
01-5-210-120 Constable Stipend		532.00		532.00	532.00	0.00	100 %
01-5-210-400 Police Department Operation		9,776.00		9,776.00	9,676.03	99.97	99%
01-5-220-100 Fire Chief Stipend		7,390.00		7,390.00	7,390.00	0.00	100 %
01-5-220-110 Fire Officer Stipends		5,775.00	-2,030.23	3,744.77	2,200.00	1,544.77	59%

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GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES REPORT 2015 – (Continued)

Town of Rowe FY 2015 General Fund Expenditure Report

as of: 6/30/2015

01-5-220-120	Emergency Management Dir	3,743.00		3,743.00	3,743.00	0.00	100%
01-5-220-130	Firefighter Stipends	7,753.00		7,753.00	5,901.18	1,851.82	76%
01-5-220-400	Fire Dept. General Operation	18,445.00		18,445.00	17,049.08	1,395.92	92%
01-5-220-410	Fire Heating Oil	3,960.00	1,430.23	5,390.23	5,390.23	0.00	100%
01-5-220-420	Fire Electricity	1,350.00	600.00	1,950.00	1,885.51	64.49	97%
01-5-220-430	Emergency Management	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,916.32	83.68	96%
01-5-220-440	Forest Fire Control	100.00		100.00		100.00	
01-5-220-450	Hazardous Material Control	1,000.00		1,000.00	664.52	335.48	66%
01-5-241-400	FCCIP Inspection Program	3,500.00		3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00	100%
01-5-291-100	EMS Coordinator Stipend	2,151.00		2,151.00	2,151.00	0.00	100%
01-5-291-110	Emergency Personnel Stipen	6,090.00		6,090.00	2,350.00	3,740.00	39%
01-5-291-400	EMS Operations/Maintenanc	1,500.00	3,000.00	4,500.00	794.33	3,705.67	18%
01-5-292-100	Animal Control Officer Stipe	637.00		637.00	637.00	0.00	100%
01-5-292-110	Reg Dog Control/ Adoption	700.00		700.00	449.60	250.40	64%
01-5-293-100	Animal Inspector Stipend	532.00		532.00	500.00	32.00	94%
Public Safety Totals:		115,503.00	3,000.00	118,503.00	105,291.32	13,211.68	

Education

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-300-100		4,422.00		4,422.00	4,422.00	0.00	100%
01-5-300-400		1,036,150.00		1,036,150.00	1,019,640.11	16,509.89	98%
01-5-300-999			57,658.09	57,658.09	57,658.09	0.00	100%
01-5-320-400		418,450.00		418,450.00	418,247.00	203.00	100%
Education Totals:		1,459,022.00	57,658.09	1,516,680.09	1,499,967.20	16,712.89	

Public Works and Facilities

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-422-100		80,291.00	6,770.42	87,061.42	87,061.42	0.00	100%
01-5-422-110		183,372.00		183,372.00	170,383.37	12,988.63	93%
01-5-422-120		25,934.00		25,934.00	23,688.65	2,245.35	91%
01-5-422-400		31,930.00		31,930.00	25,659.65	6,270.35	80%
01-5-422-410		5,500.00	2,000.00	7,500.00	5,746.66	1,753.34	77%
01-5-422-420		1,500.00		1,500.00	448.57	1,051.43	30%
01-5-422-430		43,000.00	4,000.00	47,000.00	44,577.59	2,422.41	95%
01-5-422-800		81,000.00		81,000.00	6,234.45	74,765.55	8%
01-5-422-810		43,050.00		43,050.00	42,146.89	903.11	98%
01-5-423-400		68,612.00	15,000.00	83,612.00	83,488.45	123.55	100%
01-5-424-400		5,253.00		5,253.00	4,802.37	450.63	91%
01-5-424-410		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	100%
01-5-433-110		15,482.00	410.17	15,892.17	15,892.17	0.00	100%
01-5-439-400		500.00		500.00	345.67	154.33	69%
01-5-439-410		33,000.00	-410.17	32,589.83	24,410.95	8,178.88	75%
01-5-439-420		4,202.00		4,202.00	4,202.00	0.00	100%
01-5-491-400		15,000.00		15,000.00	10,545.00	4,455.00	70%
Public Works and Facilities Totals:		638,626.00	27,770.42	666,396.42	550,633.86	115,762.56	

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Human Services		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-512-100	Board of Health Stipend		4,784.00		4,784.00	4,784.00	0.00	100%
01-5-512-110	Board of Health Clerk Wages		7,062.00		7,062.00	6,851.11	210.89	97%
01-5-512-400	Board of Health Operations		16,000.00	-267.24	15,732.76	14,229.53	1,503.23	90%
01-5-512-410	Town Nurse Wages		43,337.00	267.24	43,604.24	43,604.24	0.00	100%
01-5-512-420	Health Services Operations		6,000.00		6,000.00	5,995.81	4.19	100%
01-5-512-430	Physician's Stipend		500.00		500.00	500.00	0.00	100%
01-5-541-400	Council on Aging Exp		4,600.00		4,600.00	4,332.40	267.60	94%
01-5-543-400	Veterans Dist. Services Asses		500.00		500.00		500.00	
01-5-543-410	Veterans Benefits		100.00		100.00		100.00	
01-5-543-420	Veterans Operations		450.00		450.00		450.00	
Human Services Totals:			83,333.00	0.00	83,333.00	80,297.09	3,035.91	

Culture and Recreation		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-610-100	Library Director Wages		20,301.00		20,301.00	20,295.92	5.08	100%
01-5-610-110	Library Staff Wages		16,780.00		16,780.00	14,431.13	2,348.87	86%
01-5-610-400	Library Operations & Mainte		21,239.00		21,239.00	21,214.26	24.74	100%
01-5-610-410	Library Heating Oil		2,200.00		2,200.00	1,765.13	434.87	80%
01-5-610-420	Library Electricity		1,500.00		1,500.00	813.94	686.06	54%
01-5-610-430	CWMARS Mininet Annual		3,772.00		3,772.00	3,772.00	0.00	100%
01-5-610-440	Library CWMARS Overdriv		300.00		300.00	300.00	0.00	100%
01-5-630-100	Pelham Lake Park Ranger Co		44,635.00		44,635.00	44,635.00	0.00	100%
01-5-630-110	Pelham Lake Park Wages		41,238.00		41,238.00	41,104.90	133.10	100%
01-5-630-400	Pelham Lake Operation & M		19,952.00	354.96	20,306.96	20,306.96	0.00	100%
01-5-634-400	Gracy House Operations		4,000.00		4,000.00	3,526.59	473.41	88%
01-5-634-410	Gracy House Materials/Suppl		500.00		500.00	9.98	490.02	2%
01-5-692-410	Beautification Committee		2,000.00		2,000.00	1,192.89	807.11	60%
01-5-692-420	Old Home Days		6,500.00		6,500.00	6,109.38	390.62	94%
01-5-692-430	Old Home Days Fireworks		5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	100%
Culture and Recreation Totals:			189,917.00	354.96	190,271.96	184,478.08	5,793.88	

Intergovernmental Expenditures		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-820-640	Air Pollution District		388.00		388.00	388.00	0.00	100%
01-5-820-646	RMV Marking Surchg		240.00		240.00	240.00	0.00	100%
01-5-820-663	Reg Transit Authority		3,137.00		3,137.00	3,137.00	0.00	100%
01-5-820-701	School Choice Sending Tuiti		7,778.00		7,778.00	16,970.00	-9,192.00	218%
01-5-820-702	Charter School Sending Tuiti		20,973.00		20,973.00	21,405.00	-432.00	102%
01-5-830-400	FRCOG Regional Services A		11,675.00		11,675.00	11,675.00	0.00	100%
01-5-830-410	FRCOG Statutory Assessmen		9,304.00	-1,223.10	8,080.90	1,200.50	6,880.40	15%
01-5-830-420	FRCOG Cooperative Purchas		1,391.00		1,391.00		1,391.00	
01-5-830-430	FRCOG Accounting Program		27,805.00	1,223.10	29,028.10	29,028.10	0.00	100%
Intergovernmental Expenditures Totals:			82,691.00	0.00	82,691.00	84,043.60	-1,352.60	

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<u>Miscellaneous</u>	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-911-400 Franklin County Retirement		119,098.00		119,098.00	119,098.00	0.00	100%
01-5-913-400 Unemployment Insurance		1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00	
01-5-914-300 MTRSD Shared Services Be			4,435.00	4,435.00	4,417.13	17.87	100%
01-5-914-400 Group Health Insurance		405,000.00		405,000.00	388,556.14	16,443.86	96%
01-5-916-400 FICA/Medicare Tax		39,000.00		39,000.00	36,170.08	2,829.92	93%
01-5-970-028 Transfer to Fund 28			3,676.03	3,676.03	3,676.03	0.00	100%
01-5-970-029 Transfer to Fund 29				0.00	1,272.66	-1,272.66	12726600
01-5-970-960 FY14 Trans. To Capital Stab.				0.00	173,954.00	-173,954.00	17395400
01-5-970-961 Tr To Capital Stabilization		178,303.00		178,303.00	178,303.00	0.00	100%
01-5-970-962 Tr To Stabilization		3,000.00	100,000.00	103,000.00	103,000.00	0.00	100%
01-5-998-010 Small Withholding Closeouts				0.00	61.71	-61.71	61710000
01-5-999-903 Special Projects in 03	185,407.30	15,000.00	51,183.93	251,591.23	71,026.47	180,564.76	28%
01-5-999-999 Overlay Deficit		3,886.80		3,886.80	3,886.80	0.00	100%
Miscellaneous Totals:	185,407.30	764,287.80	159,294.96	1,108,990.06	1,083,422.02	25,568.04	
Grand Totals:	185,407.30	3,645,155.80	240,850.69	4,071,413.79	3,850,195.41	221,218.38	

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<u>Taxes and Excises</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-110-000	Personal Property Taxes		850,104.49		850,104.49	850,104.51	-0.02
01-4-120-000	Real Estate Taxes		2,571,178.40		2,571,178.40	2,561,867.77	9,310.63
01-4-122-320	Fees-Selectboard				0.00	48.00	-48.00
01-4-122-420	Licenses-Other				0.00	20.00	-20.00
01-4-130-000	Allow. for Abates & Exempts		-50,081.09		-50,081.09		-50,081.09
01-4-142-000	Tax Liens Redeemed				0.00	1,258.99	-1,258.99
01-4-146-320	Fees-Collector				0.00	83.17	-83.17
01-4-149-320	Fees-Registry Markings				0.00	160.00	-160.00
01-4-150-000	Motor Vehicle Excise		45,000.00		45,000.00	42,924.87	2,075.13
01-4-161-320	Fees-Town Clerk				0.00	275.00	-275.00
01-4-170-000	Pen & Int on Prop Taxes		1,000.00		1,000.00	793.27	206.73
01-4-171-000	Pen & Int on Excise Taxes				0.00	886.76	-886.76
01-4-172-000	Int on Tax Liens				0.00	40.30	-40.30
Taxes and Excises Totals:			3,417,201.80		3,417,201.80	3,458,462.64	-41,260.84

<u>Charges for Services</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-210-320	Fees-Police				0.00	160.00	-160.00
01-4-210-450	Police Gun Permits				0.00	150.00	-150.00
Charges for Services Totals:					0.00	310.00	-310.00

<u>Federal Revenue</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-510-450	Permits-Board of Health		4,000.00		4,000.00	200.00	3,800.00
01-4-540-000	USPS Contract Revenue		5,000.00		5,000.00	5,222.25	-222.25
Federal Revenue Totals:			9,000.00		9,000.00	5,422.25	3,577.75

<u>State Revenue</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-610-000	Local PILOT				0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00
01-4-616-000	Exemp: VBS & Elderly State		2,233.00		2,233.00	8.00	2,225.00
01-4-620-000	School Aid Chapter 70		103,362.00		103,362.00	103,362.00	0.00
01-4-661-000	Charter Tuition Reimburseme		893.00		893.00	893.00	0.00
01-4-676-000	Unrestricted General Aid		3,506.00		3,506.00	3,506.00	0.00
01-4-679-000	State Owned Land		6,491.00		6,491.00	6,491.00	0.00
01-4-680-000	Other State Revenue				0.00	522.00	-522.00
01-4-681-000	Medicaid Reimb. School				0.00	4,303.66	-4,303.66
01-4-683-000	HCGIT ER Subsidy Retiree				0.00	9,593.96	-9,593.96
01-4-685-000	Fines - RMV		200.00		200.00	260.00	-60.00
State Revenue Totals:			116,685.00		116,685.00	130,939.62	-14,254.62

<u>Other Intergovernmental Revenue</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-770-000	CMVI fines				0.00	220.00	-220.00
01-4-771-000	District Court Fines				0.00	35.00	-35.00
Other Intergovernmental Revenue Totals:					0.00	255.00	-255.00

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Miscellaneous Revenue		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-815-000	Sale of Fixed Assets				0.00	8,894.40	-8,894.40
01-4-820-000	Earnings on Investments		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,093.49	-93.49
01-4-821-000	Goal Post Subscriptions				0.00	144.00	-144.00
01-4-840-000	Miscellaneous Revenue				0.00	0.00	0.00
01-4-841-000	Copies				0.00	89.50	-89.50
01-4-842-000	Prior Year Refund				0.00	4,906.72	-4,906.72
01-4-843-000	Misc. Bank Check Cashing E				0.00	2.50	-2.50
01-4-844-000	Tailings to GF				0.00	386.99	-386.99
Miscellaneous Revenue Totals:			1,000.00		1,000.00	15,517.60	-14,517.60
Other Financing Sources		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-970-023	Trans Ch 90 Excess				0.00	27,358.63	-27,358.63
01-4-970-029	Transfer from Fund 29				0.00	67,804.71	-67,804.71
01-4-974-000	Tr Fr Stabilization			57,658.09	57,658.09	131,658.09	-74,000.00
01-4-975-000	Trans. From Cap. Stabilizatio				0.00	62,396.00	-62,396.00
01-4-999-900	Free Cash to Bal.Budget		96,847.00		96,847.00	96,847.00	0.00
01-4-999-901	Funded with "Free Cash"			183,192.60	183,192.60	183,192.60	0.00
01-4-999-903	Funded by Carryovers	185,407.30			185,407.30	185,407.30	0.00
Other Financing Sources Totals:		185,407.30	96,847.00	240,850.69	523,104.99	754,664.33	-231,559.34
Grand Totals:		185,407.30	3,640,733.80	240,850.69	4,066,991.79	4,365,571.44	-298,579.65

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Fund: 03

Special Projects - Carryovers

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
03-5-122-400 Microfilm Town Records	5,000.00			5,000.00		5,000.00
03-5-135-410 Municipal Audit	11,000.00			11,000.00	2,500.00	8,500.00
03-5-141-800 Assessor 's Triennial Evaluation	18,816.64	15,000.00		33,816.64	31,080.00	2,736.64
03-5-145-400 New Treasurer Training			3,116.71	3,116.71	3,116.71	0.00
03-5-150-151 New Computer Server			15,000.00	15,000.00	11,685.00	3,315.00
03-5-151-410 Solar Legal Expense	15,000.00			15,000.00	4,312.50	10,687.50
03-5-192-151 Town Hall Security Cameras			5,200.00	5,200.00	5,200.00	0.00
03-5-192-400 Bill of Prior Year - Municipal Ce			719.80	719.80	719.80	0.00
03-5-192-830 TH ADA Access	2,000.00			2,000.00		2,000.00
03-5-192-840 TH Ceiling Tiles	1,075.60			1,075.60		1,075.60
03-5-192-860 Gazebo Replacement			15,000.00	15,000.00	7,403.58	7,596.42
03-5-210-810 Fire LED Exterior Lighting			2,300.00	2,300.00		2,300.00
03-5-220-820 Fire Dept. Turn Out Gear			4,000.00	4,000.00	1,433.66	2,566.34
03-5-300-400 Prior year bills Elementary Scho			112.73	112.73	112.73	0.00
03-5-422-840 Bridge Rehab Program	113,852.50			113,852.50		113,852.50
03-5-422-860 DPW Fuel Locks STM Art 10			4,000.00	4,000.00	419.90	3,580.10
03-5-439-400 Bill of Prior Year - Household H			2,089.65	2,089.65	2,089.65	0.00
03-5-610-810 Library Restroom	6,556.00			6,556.00		6,556.00
03-5-610-820 Library Front Steps	200.00			200.00		200.00
03-5-630-412 Pelham Brook Fbridge	307.98			307.98	76.00	231.98
03-5-630-800 Park Property Damage	354.96		-354.96	0.00		0.00
03-5-630-840 Park Compost Lav Facility	357.32			357.32		357.32
03-5-634-800 Gracy House Soule Barn	9,320.57			9,320.57		9,320.57
03-5-634-810 Gracy House Foundation Wall	140.73			140.73		140.73
03-5-634-820 Gracy House Painting	1,425.00			1,425.00	876.94	548.06
Totals:	185,407.30	15,000.00	51,183.93	251,591.23	71,026.47	180,564.76

Fund: 21

Cultural Council

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
21-5-690-005 Cultural Council	4,259.95		4,307.60	8,567.55	3,505.74	5,061.81
Totals:	4,259.95		4,307.60	8,567.55	3,505.74	5,061.81

Fund: 23

Highway Grants

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
23-5-000-000 Chapter 90 Expense	6,367.41	219,578.00		225,945.41		225,945.41
23-5-960-001 Trans to GF				0.00	27,358.63	-27,358.63
Totals:	6,367.41	219,578.00		225,945.41	27,358.63	198,586.78

Fund: 26

Revolving Funds (44 53E1/2)

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
26-5-300-555 School Programs	1,370.46	10,000.00	1,721.35	13,091.81	11,335.21	1,756.60
26-5-433-001 Recycling Revolving Expense	1,186.28	5,000.00	-2,010.66	4,175.62	1,000.68	3,174.94

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26-5-512-001	BOH Vaccine Purchase	620.39	3,500.00	-3,076.23	1,044.16	385.00	659.16
26-5-690-003	Old Home Day	1,877.99	5,000.00	-2,738.00	4,139.99	2,304.00	1,835.99
Totals:		5,055.12	23,500.00	-6,103.54	22,451.58	15,024.89	7,426.69

Fund: 27

Available Funds

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
27-5-999-000 Available Free Cash		305,277.00		305,277.00	291,108.60	14,168.40
Totals:		305,277.00		305,277.00	291,108.60	14,168.40

Fund: 28

School Grants & Special Funds

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
28-5-300-001 MAPHCO Grant		361.45		361.45	361.45	0.00
28-5-300-002 School Choice	44,615.68		93,768.00	138,383.68	55,654.46	82,729.22
28-5-300-003 School Lunch	6,448.70		11,127.87	17,576.57	10,783.27	6,793.30
28-5-300-004 Field Trip/Act Scholarship Gif	516.60			516.60		516.60
28-5-300-007 SPED-IDEA Grant 240-303,94-1	3,967.31		2,280.00	6,247.31	11,143.39	-4,896.08
28-5-300-009 School Construction Ins Pro	-605,137.93		2,357,107.90	1,751,969.97	1,754,840.49	-2,870.52
28-5-300-293 DG School Library Grant	20,000.00	30,000.00		50,000.00	36,187.84	13,812.16
28-5-300-295 Rowe School Capital Campaign			18,810.00	18,810.00	15,957.44	2,852.56
28-5-300-305 Title I (305) Grant		11,040.76		11,040.76	11,040.76	0.00
28-5-300-500 Ed Jobs Grant 206-305	282.00			282.00		282.00
28-5-300-503 REAP Grant	28,040.61			28,040.61	11,566.97	16,473.64
28-5-300-505 SPED Early Child 8-135	-51.57			-51.57	210.44	-262.01
28-5-300-506 SPED Pr Improv 274-333	89.00			89.00		89.00
28-5-300-511 Kindergarten Grant 701	18,320.27		3,900.00	22,220.27	3,960.00	18,260.27
28-5-300-512 Title 11A Improving Ed Quality	1,620.00			1,620.00		1,620.00
28-5-300-551 After School Programs	241.10			241.10		241.10
28-5-970-001 Transfer to Gen Fund				0.00	0.00	0.00
Totals:	-481,048.23	41,402.21	2,486,993.77	2,047,347.75	1,911,706.51	135,641.24

Fund: 29

Miscellaneous Special Revenues

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
29-5-122-002 Goal Post Subscriptions	-1,087.66		1,087.66	0.00		0.00
29-5-210-001 Police Donations Expense	1,230.00			1,230.00		1,230.00
29-5-220-000 FD First Resp. Donat. W Brown			200.00	200.00		200.00
29-5-220-214 2014 EMPG				0.00	3,955.00	-3,955.00
29-5-300-001 School Grant Expense	1,000.00			1,000.00		1,000.00
29-5-422-004 DPW Break-In Ins Proceeds			5,821.99	5,821.99	4,643.71	1,178.28
29-5-500-000 FEMA Snow Emergency Funds	27,830.76			27,830.76	27,830.76	0.00
29-5-500-001 MEMA09 Grant	12,060.82			12,060.82		12,060.82
29-5-500-002 Council on Aging Grant	2,190.04		1,809.96	4,000.00	857.58	3,142.42
29-5-500-007 DEP Recycling Grant	-153.88			-153.88		-153.88
29-5-500-008 MEMA Grant 11	40,265.00			40,265.00	40,265.00	0.00
29-5-500-403 Dare Grant-Police	36.88			36.88		36.88
29-5-500-404 Comm Policing Grant	38.79			38.79		38.79

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29-5-500-413	DEP Small Scale	500.00	500.00	1,000.00	500.00	500.00
29-5-500-414	Library State Aid	4,739.49	1,786.30	6,525.79	1,645.47	4,880.32
29-5-500-421	Wrap Winter Recovery Program		21,958.00	21,958.00	21,958.00	0.00
29-5-560-001	Wetlands Protection	257.81	387.50	645.31		645.31
29-5-560-002	Cemetery Sale of Lots	763.00		763.00		763.00
29-5-580-272	East Cemetery Gift Account	500.00		500.00		500.00
29-5-580-273	West Cemetery Gift Account	25.00		25.00		25.00
29-5-580-274	Park Gift Account	152.00	160.00	312.00		312.00
29-5-580-275	Internet Kiosk Gift Account	112.60		112.60	112.60	0.00
29-5-580-276	Brian Vega Scholarship Gift Ac	4,160.48	390.00	4,550.48	25.00	4,525.48
29-5-580-277	Library Gift Account	398.89	18.00	416.89		416.89
29-5-580-284	Lib-FWMLA Bks/Periodicals Gr	2,100.00		2,100.00		2,100.00
29-5-580-285	Mary Lyon Grant	433.07		433.07		433.07
29-5-580-286	Greenfield Garden Club Grant	1,438.32		1,438.32		1,438.32
29-5-580-287	MTCRT Clean Energy Grant	203.00		203.00		203.00
Totals:		99,194.41	21,958.00	12,161.41	133,313.82	101,793.12

Fund: 81

NonExpendable Trusts

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
81-5-281-001	Martha Henry Memorial Nonexp	3,213.51		3,213.51		3,213.51
81-5-281-003	Rowe Library Fund Nonexpenda	136.08		136.08		136.08
81-5-281-004	Charles Wells Mem. Library No	500.00		500.00		500.00
81-5-281-005	Preserved Smith Library Nonexp	1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00
81-5-281-006	Demonds/Gould Mem Lib None	5,000.00		5,000.00		5,000.00
81-5-281-008	A.B. White Mem Library Nonex	1,404.00		1,404.00		1,404.00
81-5-281-009	L.Tower Jones Mem Library No	1,404.00		1,404.00		1,404.00
Totals:		12,657.59		12,657.59		12,657.59

Fund: 82

Expendable Trusts

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
82-5-281-000	Rowe Memorial Scholarship Exp	3,742.45	6.27	3,748.72	25.00	3,723.72
82-5-281-001	Martha Henry Memorial Expend	5,519.42	13.10	5,532.52		5,532.52
82-5-281-002	Perpetual Care Cemeteries Expe	20,461.58	30.63	20,492.21		20,492.21
82-5-281-003	Rowe Library Fund Expendable	345.65	0.72	346.37		346.37
82-5-281-004	Charles Wells Mem. Library Exp	2,967.14	5.20	2,972.34		2,972.34
82-5-281-005	Preserved Smith Library Expend	825.40	2.74	828.14		828.14
82-5-281-006	Demonds/Gould Mem Lib Expend	11,829.54	25.29	11,854.83		11,854.83
82-5-281-007	Foster Donation Expendable	3,105.90	4.68	3,110.58		3,110.58
82-5-281-008	A.B. White Mem Library Expen	4,071.17	8.25	4,079.42		4,079.42
82-5-281-009	L.Tower Jones Mem Library Exp	4,071.17	8.25	4,079.42		4,079.42
Totals:		56,939.42	105.13	57,044.55	25.00	57,019.55

Fund: 83

Regular Stabilization

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
83-5-000-000	Available Stabilization	1,012,086.12	-31,355.00	43,620.75	1,024,351.87	1,024,351.87

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83-5-000-001	Temporary Loan to Gen Fund		0.00	0.00	0.00	
83-5-123-800	Fireproof File Cabinets	10,000.00		10,000.00	7,698.00	2,302.00
83-5-210-800	Police Protective Gear	3,850.00		3,850.00	3,776.41	73.59
83-5-220-820	Fire Dept. Turn Out Gear	11,000.00		11,000.00	10,031.67	968.33
83-5-231-001	Future Ambulance Services	16,000.00	3,000.00	19,000.00		19,000.00
83-5-512-800	BOH Refuse Garden Lighting	6,505.00		6,505.00	3,709.00	2,796.00
83-5-970-000	Trans. To General Fund		57,658.09	57,658.09	131,658.09	-74,000.00
Totals:		1,028,086.12	3,000.00	101,278.84	1,132,364.96	156,873.17
						975,491.79

Fund: 84

Capital Stabilization Accounts

Fund: 04

<u>Capital Stabilization Accounts</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
84-5-000-000	Unallocated Capitalization Stabil	533,221.22	256,265.00	1,031.23	790,517.45	-3,216.76	793,734.21
84-5-422-850	DPW Truck 215 Art 22		78,792.00		78,792.00	78,792.00	0.00
84-5-630-830	Pelham Beach Sand		7,200.00		7,200.00	7,200.00	0.00
84-5-630-850	Pelham Lake Man Study 215		10,000.00		10,000.00		10,000.00
84-5-970-000	Trans. To Gen. Fund				0.00	62,396.00	-62,396.00
Totals:		533,221.22	352,257.00	1,031.23	886,509.45	145,171.24	741,338.21

Report Totals: 1,450,140.31 981,972.21 2,650,958.37 5,083,070.89 2,723,593.37 2,359,477.52

TOWN ACCOUNTANT – OTHER FUNDS REVENUE REPORT 2015

Town of Rowe FY 2015 Other Funds Revenue Report

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Fund: 21

Cultural Council

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
21-4-690-005 Cultural Council			4,307.60	4,307.60	4,307.60	0.00
21-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	4,259.95			4,259.95		4,259.95
Totals:	4,259.95		4,307.60	8,567.55	4,307.60	4,259.95

Fund: 23

Highway Grants

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
23-4-000-000 Chapter 90 Revenue		219,578.00		219,578.00		219,578.00
23-4-001-005 MA Highway A/R-C291				0.00	173,210.57	-173,210.57
23-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	6,367.41			6,367.41		6,367.41
Totals:	6,367.41	219,578.00		225,945.41	173,210.57	52,734.84

Fund: 26

Revolving Funds (44 53E1/2)

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
26-4-300-555 School Programs			11,721.35	11,721.35	11,721.35	0.00
26-4-433-001 Recycling Revolving Revenue			2,989.34	2,989.34	2,989.34	0.00
26-4-512-001 BOH Vaccine Purchase			423.77	423.77	423.77	0.00
26-4-690-003 Old Home Day			2,262.00	2,262.00	2,262.00	0.00
26-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	5,055.12			5,055.12		5,055.12
Totals:	5,055.12		17,396.46	22,451.58	17,396.46	5,055.12

Fund: 27

Available Funds

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
27-4-999-000 Offset to Free Cash		305,277.00		305,277.00	291,108.60	14,168.40
Totals:		305,277.00		305,277.00	291,108.60	14,168.40

Fund: 28

School Grants & Special Funds

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
28-4-300-001 MAPHCO Grant		361.45		361.45		361.45
28-4-300-002 School Choice			93,768.00	93,768.00	93,768.00	0.00
28-4-300-003 School Lunch			11,127.87	11,127.87	11,127.87	0.00
28-4-300-007 SPED-IDEA Grant 240-303,			2,280.00	2,280.00	2,280.00	0.00
28-4-300-009 School Construction Ins Pro			2,333,413.12	2,333,413.12	2,333,413.12	0.00
28-4-300-293 DG School Library Grant		30,000.00		30,000.00	30,000.00	0.00
28-4-300-295 Rowe Sch Capital Campaign			18,810.00	18,810.00	18,810.00	0.00
28-4-300-305 Title I (305) Grant		11,040.76		11,040.76		11,040.76
28-4-300-511 Kindergarten Grant 701			3,900.00	3,900.00	3,900.00	0.00
28-4-970-009 Transfer from General Fund f			23,694.78	23,694.78	23,694.78	0.00
28-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	-481,048.23			-481,048.23		-481,048.23
Totals:	-481,048.23	41,402.21	2,486,993.77	2,047,347.75	2,516,993.77	-469,646.02

Fund: 29

Miscellaneous Special Revenue

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
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29-4-220-000	rFD First Resp. Donation W.	200.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
29-4-422-004	DPW Break-In Ins Proceeds	5,821.99	5,821.99	5,821.99	0.00
29-4-500-002	Council on Aging Grant	1,624.96	1,624.96	1,624.96	0.00
29-4-500-413	DEP Small Scale	500.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
29-4-500-414	Library State Aid	1,786.30	1,786.30	1,786.30	0.00
29-4-500-421	WRAP Winter Recovery Pro	21,958.00	21,958.00		21,958.00
29-4-560-001	Wetlands Protection	387.50	387.50	387.50	0.00
29-4-580-274	Park Gift Account	160.00	160.00	160.00	0.00
29-4-580-276	Brian Vega Scholarship Gift	390.00	390.00	390.00	0.00
29-4-580-277	Library Gift Account	18.00	18.00	18.00	0.00
29-4-920-001	Transfer from General Fund	1,272.66	1,272.66	1,272.66	0.00
29-4-999-901	Funded by Carryovers	99,194.41	99,194.41		99,194.41
Totals:		99,194.41	21,958.00	12,161.41	121,152.41

Fund: 81

NonExpendable Trusts

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
81-4-999-901	Funded by Carryovers	12,657.59		12,657.59		12,657.59
Totals:	12,657.59			12,657.59		12,657.59

Fund: 82

Expendable Trusts

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
82-4-281-000	Rowe Memorial Scholarship		6.27	6.27	6.27	0.00
82-4-281-001	Martha Henry Memorial Inter		13.10	13.10	13.10	0.00
82-4-281-002	Perpetual Care Cemeteries In		30.63	30.63	30.63	0.00
82-4-281-003	Rowe Library Fund Interest		0.72	0.72	0.72	0.00
82-4-281-004	Charles Wells Mem. Library		5.20	5.20	5.20	0.00
82-4-281-005	Preserved Smith Library Inter		2.74	2.74	2.74	0.00
82-4-281-006	Demons/Gould Mem Lib Inte		25.29	25.29	25.29	0.00
82-4-281-007	Foster Donation Interest		4.68	4.68	4.68	0.00
82-4-281-008	A.B. White Mem Library Inte		8.25	8.25	8.25	0.00
82-4-281-009	L.Tower Jones Mem Library		8.25	8.25	8.25	0.00
82-4-999-901	Funded by Carryovers	56,939.42		56,939.42		56,939.42
Totals:	56,939.42		105.13	57,044.55	105.13	56,939.42

Fund: 83

Regular Stabilization

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
83-4-919-000	Stabilization Interest		1,278.84	1,278.84	1,278.84	0.00
83-4-970-001	Transfers from General Fund	3,000.00	100,000.00	103,000.00	103,000.00	0.00
83-4-999-901	Funded by Carryovers	1,028,086.12		1,028,086.12		1,028,086.12
Totals:	1,028,086.12	3,000.00	101,278.84	1,132,364.96	104,278.84	1,028,086.12

Fund: 84

Capital Stabilization Accounts

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
84-4-919-001	Capital Stabilization Interest		1,031.23	1,031.23	1,031.23	0.00

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84-4-970-001	Transfers from General Fund		352,257.00		352,257.00	352,257.00	0.00
84-4-999-901	Funded by Carryovers	533,221.22			533,221.22		533,221.22
	Totals:	533,221.22	352,257.00	1,031.23	886,509.45	353,288.23	533,221.22
Report Totals:		1,264,733.01	943,472.21	2,623,274.44	4,831,479.66	3,472,850.61	1,358,629.05

TREASURER REPORT 2015

General Fund Cash	\$1,011,129.45
School Agency Account	\$6,041.03
Arts Lottery	\$5,862.55
Trust Funds	\$70,145.23
Stabilization	\$986,898.79
Capital Stabilization	\$728,121.45
Total All Cash 6/30/2015	\$2,808,198.50

Trust Funds FY2015

Name of Fund	Balance 6/30/2015
M. Wells Memorial Library	\$8,746.09
Cemetery	\$20,492.21
Rowe Library Gift	\$482.45
Charles Wells Library	\$3,472.34
Preserved Smith Library	\$1,828.14
Gould Library	\$16,854.83
Foster Donation	\$3,110.58
White Memorial Library	\$5,483.42
L. Tower/Jones Library	\$5,483.42
Rowe Memorial Scholarship	\$4,191.75
TOTALS	\$70,145.23

Stabilization Fund FY2015

Beginning Balance 7/1/2014	\$ 954,086.12
Transfers to Capitalization Stabilization Fund	\$ -
Transfers from Capitalization Stabilization Fund	\$ -
Transfers to General Fund	\$ 1,110,560.01
Transfers from General Fund	\$ 1,142,093.84
Interest earned 7/1/14 to 6/30/15	\$ 1,278.84

Balance as of June 30, 2015 **\$ 986,898.79**

Capitalization Stabilization Fund FY2013

Beginning Balance 7/1/2014	\$ 644,779.22
	\$
Transfers to Stabilization Fund	-
Transfers to General Fund	\$ 495,992.00
Transfers from General Fund	\$ 578,303.00
Interest earned 7/01/13 to 6/30/14	\$1,031.23

Balance as of June 30, 2015 **\$ 728,121.45**

Respectfully submitted,
Kristi Nartowicz



HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT 2015

The Rowe Highway Department welcomes Paul Plant unto the road crew. This year we focused on general maintenance. Looking ahead, now that we have a full crew there is plenty of road work to establish. There are a lot of new regulations to learn for the coming year.

Routine maintenance during the year included:

- Cleaning and repair of shoulders and catch basins/lowing leaves out of ditches/culvert replacement
- Street sweeping
- Grade dirt roads
- Waterway repaving
- Roadside moving
- Brush clearing
- Tree maintenance
- Upkeep of the Town Common and traffic islands

This year had a few extra projects including spreading sand on park beach, helping with Old Home Day and tent set up for functions at the historical train day.

Thank you to Janice Boudreau, Sandy Daviau and the Highway crew and Board of Selectmen for all of your help and support this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Lance P. Larned
DPW Superintendent



New Dodge Ram Highway Truck



Highway Superintendent Lance Larned
Sporting new Safety gear
Photographs by Janice Boudreau

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT – SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM 2015

The “Grasshopper” program, under the direction of Summer Youth Employee (SYE) Supervisor Kyle Shippee did a great job trimming and cleaning our roadsides this pas Summer. This is very hard work under hot and humid conditions, plus a few bees around. Please know that you are appreciated very much.

Thanks also go to the Assistant Supervisor Brianna Demech for assisting Kyle. We had a large crew (Eleven workers & two Supervisors) which enabled us to trim along all but a few remote roads.

There are 36 miles of reoads in Rowe. When you double that for each side of the road that needs trimming...that adds up to 72 miles that need mowing, trimming and cleaning in(usually very hot) weeks. At the same time the crew also pays particular attention to saving certain ferns, flowers and shrubs. They are very conscientious. Great job everyone!

And special thanks again go to Ted Palmer for performing his annual Poison Ivy eradication. The Grasshoppers appreciate you taking care of this for them.

Respectfully submitted,
Lance P. Larned
DPW Superintendent

TREE WARDEN 2015

As your Tree Warden I'd like to remind everyone that if they are going to remove any roadside trees it is important to read our Town By-laws. Our roads have been declared Scenic Roads by a Town Meeting vote. More information about what this means can be found in Section 10: of the By-laws and Section 15C of Chapter 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

This year one Tree Hearing was held. Trees along Petrie Road, Tunnel Rd., Hazelton Rd., Monroe Rd., and County Rd. This was for power pole placement from National Grid. Anyone with questions or concerns about roadside trees please contace me at 413-339-5588.

Respectfully submitted,
Lance P. Larned
DPW Superintendent



Summer Youth Park Program

Pictured left to right: Erin Laffond, Jameson Rice, Madison Baker & Spencer Laffond
Photograph by Sean Loomis

COUNCIL ON AGING 2015

The Rowe Council on Aging would like to begin our annual report by recognizing the loss of our seniors that left us during the past year. (Marion Dandeneau, Francis Benson, Joseph Vadeboncoeur, Wendell Stetson, Betty Scrivens, John Rossi and June Brown). They will be missed.

The Rowe Council on Aging is hoping that our seniors had as much fun as we did in 2015.

Our seniors were fortunate to have the Senior Bus once again. The bus is provided by the Shelburne Falls Senior Center. The cost of the bus, which is subsidized by the Formula Grant and Big Y, provides trips every Tuesday morning to Greenfield and Shelburne Falls for banking, shopping and trips to the Pharmacy and during the summer stops at local farm stands for fresh produce. We again, thank Rosie and Ronnie Gordon for their assistance helping their fellow seniors entering and exiting the bus and taking their packages to their doors. The Formula Grant also covers the cost of the meals that are free to our seniors at Rowe School which occurs once a month. We hope our seniors will take advantage of this benefit for a nutritious meal provided by Chef Carol Lively.

During the year our Co-Chairman, Sandy Daviau, handles the extensive paperwork involving Elder Services provided by the EOE (Executive Office of Elder Affairs) and submits the budgets for the year. Sandy is also the chief shopper for the food, Bingo Prizes and supplies for our events. She is also responsible for coordinating events and getting the articles for the senior events into the Rowe Goal Post.

We would like to thank Sheila Litchfield (our town nurse) for maintaining our large supply of medical equipment that is lent out and seeing that it is distributed to all the townspeople that may be in need of this equipment. Thanks to Deb Lively (exercise monitor) and Jodi Fontaine (exercise trainer and instructor) for their assistance in providing this service to our seniors.

Our Gracy House get-togethers feature a variety of functions, Bingo, BBQ's, Christmas Party sing-a-longs. A monthly birthday cake continues to be one of Jodi's favorite themes. We always have the coffee on and of course, good conversation is had as well. We have a variety of games and puzzles available to play.

In January, a variety of delicious homemade soups were provided by our 7 member committee. (A great way to warm up a cold, snowy month).

The COA would like to acknowledge and thank the Rowe Fire Department for providing smoke detectors and CO2 monitors during Fire Prevention Week.

March 27th included an out of town luncheon at Berkshire East Restaurant and thanks to the Rowe Cultural Council we were able to have Crooner Tommy Rull entertain us.

On April 17th a springtime trip to the Magic Wings where we had a buffet at the Monarch Restaurant and from there went into the Butterfly Conservatory to enjoy the large variety of beautiful butterflies. In the same month on April 24th we started out with lunch at the Water Street Grille in Williamstown and then off to the Clark Museum.

On May 15th a variety of pizza from the Berkshire Pizzeria was served at the Gracy House.

June brought the Senior BBQ's starting June 26th through September, where our thanks go out to Chef Bob Dykeman who kept the burgers and hot dogs cooking. (We do appreciate all you do for us Bob). We would also like to thank the Pelham Park crew for the BBQ's that were provided by them every other Thursday, for our seniors during the summer.

The COA Committee also featured (2) ice cream socials with all the fixings in June and July.

On September 18th we had a feast at the Boston Seafood Restaurant and from there we went on an interesting stroll through the MASS MOCA Museum.

October 16th seniors enjoyed a trip to the Marina Restaurant in Brattleboro, VT., with its beautiful vista of the Connecticut River. We closed out the month of October 30th with coffee and donuts at the Gracy House.

November 6th a variety of pies made by Rachel Gammell, which are always a hit, were served at the Gracy House.

December 11th a trip to the Red Lion Inn Restaurant in historical Stockbridge, where we all enjoyed lunch and a surprise visit from Ruth Truesdell, a longtime resident, who had moved to Florida and has now returned to MA where she now resides in Beckett, MA. Ruth also continues to own land in Rowe.

The Last event of the year was held on December 18th where we closed out the year with a Christmas Party serving a variety of homemade cookies made by our committee. Many thanks to Helen Shields and Pru Berry for their exquisite voices, leading us in our all-time favorite Christmas Carols.

Birthdays are celebrated monthly with a birthday cake for our seniors. Pictures of our birthday celebrants are captured and submitted to the Goal Post.

We would like to thank the town for supporting our budget, making it possible for us to bring all of these activities to our senior community, and a thank you to all our seniors who join us during the year. Our committee strives to feature “good time” gatherings for our seniors.

We don’t want to forget the Rowe Cultural Council for supporting our seniors and awarding us our March entertainer, Tommy Rull, who performed for us at our luncheon at the Berkshire East Restaurant.

Thank you, committee secretary, Jodi Brown for keeping a great record of our monthly Minutes. A special thank you to all the COA Committee members for making this all possible.

To anyone who we may have left out of our recap, we apologize.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Sandy Daviau, COA Co-chair, COA Treasurer
Christine Tower, COA Co-chair
Jodi Brown, COA Secretary
Marilyn Belval, Member
Mary Ann Dykeman, Member
Doris Fensky, Member
Shirley Veber, Member



Jack & Ellynn Packard



Left: Anne Besgen, Gary & Sharon Hudson, Pru Berry, Doug Wilson
Right: Bill & Marilyn Belval, Doris & Ken Fensky



Council on Aging Committee: Left to Right: Marilyn Belval, Shirley Veber, Doris Fensky, Sandy Daviau, Christine Tower & Mary Ann Dykeman
Missing from Photograph: Jodi Brown

CULTURAL COUNCIL 2015

Rowe Cultural Council Annual Report

This year the Rowe Cultural Council was awarded \$4,400 by the state. In turn the council granted the entire amount to local events and programs, with the priority being given to activities in Rowe, or benefitting Rowe residents. These grantees included the Rowe Elementary School, the Rowe Town Library, the Rowe Council on Aging, the Rowe Historical Society, the Heath Fair and nine other area non-profit organizations.

Members of the council were Ellynn Packard, Kelle Quist, Jody Brown, Ann Besgen and Sue Wood. Many thanks to all the members for their service to the town.

Volunteers are always needed to continue this worthwhile council. Please contact one of our members to volunteer and go online and visit the Massachusetts Cultural Council website for a good overview.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellynn Packard

LIBRARY TRUSTEES 2015

2015 was a very busy year for the library. The children's room received a new carpet, the trees outside got trimmed and a few burning bushes removed to expose the front of the building, we said goodbye to our much loved librarian Danette Reynolds and wished her luck at her new job and we welcomed town resident Abby Lively to the library staff.

The Library held many programs throughout the year. John Root presented edible perennials to a group of 6 patrons. At the beginning of the summer 8 girls from 10-12 years old learned the basics of babysitting at a 2 day Babysitters training course put on by the Umass 4-H extension with the assistance of many town employees. The Summer Reading program kicked off with the State Police K9 unit demonstrating their skills with Trooper Brian Frechette and K-9 Nanuk, attended by 40 patrons. In December a record number of children and adults gathered on a rainy Wednesday evening to assist in the annual tree trimming party during the holiday season with Jodi Brown.

Danette Reynolds left for a great full time job. She is greatly missed. We are happy to invite town resident Abby Lively as part of the library staff.

We continue to discard worn and outdated items to make way for new materials with our limited shelf space. We hold a collection of 12,030 items including books, movies, audios, music CDs and magazines. Patrons have access to books from other libraries through the CWMARS network and our delivery system, as well as the always growing collection of digital books and audio books available through the CWMARS digital catalogue.

The Trustees continue to meet monthly at the Library and citizens are always welcome to attend.

Respectfully Submitted,

Library Trustees:
Claudine Poplawski , Chair
Catherine Snyder
Kelle Quist

Library Hours are:

Tuesday: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
Wednesday: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
Saturday: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

OLD HOME DAY 2015

Old Home Day 2015 was held on Saturday, July 11th, with some minor events occurring on Friday the 10th. Before Old Home Day began, we approached town meeting with two changes to our original proposal. One was to reduce our budget by \$500. Surprisingly, we had some resistance from the community over LOWERING our budget! But, in the end, a budget was passed that the Committee requested. We also proposed changing the wording on the fireworks line to “evening display”, which would have given more flexibility in how to spend the moneys traditionally allocated toward a firework display. Some on the committee had concerns about a firework show and wanted to look into other options, such as a laser display. After some discussion about the subject, the town ultimately agreed to change the wording. Ultimately, the decision was made to go with a firework show.

Due to scheduling conflicts with the firework company, the Old Home Day Committee had to choose between having fireworks launched from the Soule Property on Saturday night, or having them launched from the lake on Friday night. After consulting with townspeople and appropriate officials, it was agreed that having it at the lake on Friday night was the best option. The firework display went off without a hitch, and many people said they were impressed with the event.

Earlier on Friday a community potluck was held, along with entertainment from Bill Knittle's band. Attendance was a bit lower this year than the previous year, but a good time was still had by all. A special thank-you to Loretta Dionne, Robin Reed, and Jenn Morse for getting the food ready.

Old Home Day itself began with a fishing derby at the causeway, a pancake breakfast hosted by the Fire Association at the school, and two races- a 4-mile run and a trail run. The day was "officially" started by the annual parade, with a theme this year of "The 80's". Our grand marshal this year was a bit younger than we typically choose- Kendelle Crowningshield, Rowe's youngest resident! State Representative Paul Mark was joined by the Board of Selectmen, and followed by floats and nearly a dozen antique cars. Rowe residents Sandy and Ed Daviau even won first place!

Most of our usual activities followed, such as the bouncy castle, an antique car show, climbing wall, etc... Newer items like Bingo made a return, while some items like the tag sale did not. The gathering was a bit quieter this year as the Rowe Church held a silent auction instead of a live one. Great items were still available to be bid on, though!

Making a return this year after being absent for several years was a craft fair, organized by Robin Reed. Robin managed to get over a dozen craft vendors to bring their goods to Old Home Day. The school was packed to the brim with cards, knitted goods, baked goods... you name it! A special thank you to Robin for all the hard work she put into organizing this event. Loretta Dionne also organized a raffle using vendor-donated goods to help benefit the Franklin Regional Dog Shelter.

The day closed out with the usual events, including the always-popular barbecue chicken dinner, hosted by the Readsboro Lions Club. "The Grey Whisker Pickers" and "Small Change" performed, while we were joined by a new act: Local DJ "Bobby C". Fun was had by all.

I would like to give everyone who helped contribute to Old Home Day a big "THANK YOU"! I would try to list everyone here, but it would take up another page or so, and I would hate to accidentally leave anyone off.

Many thanks from me go to the Old Home Day Committee in particular. We had many new members this year, which allowed for many new ideas. I thank you for working with me during my last year on the Committee, and look forward to seeing what next year's event holds.

Respectfully Submitted on Behalf of the Old Home Day Committee,

Paul McLatchy III, Chairman

Members of the Committee:

Jodi Brown

Loretta Dionne

Paul McLatchy III

Ellen Packard

Mary Paige

Robin Reed

Christine Tower



Spencer Laffond with new paddle board



Erin Laffond serves at Senior Park Picnic



Pelham Lake Park new Lean To

PARK COMMISSION 2015

Every season offers something unique at the park. We love summer at the beach; Old Home Day, children involved in activities, evening walks around the lake, a leisurely spin on the Percy Brown. But, don't miss a stunning walk on the Brook or Lake Trail in the fall, a brisk hike up Adams Mountain in the spring, or cross country skiing on the trails.

Park maintenance happens year round as well. Major work included:

- * Bridge replacement on Pelham Brook Trail and the Meadow Trail
- * Completion of the lean-to on top of Adams Mt
- * New beach sand was delivered and spread for the start of the summer season
- * Installation of a new chimney and woodstove for the park headquarters building

* Projects begun in 2015, to be completed in 2016:

- a. Crushed gravel purchased for Park Entry Rd and Tennis Court Rd (2" will be spread by the Highway Dept in May)
- b. Removal of dead trees on Percy Point

Maintenance Staff included: AR Class 1, Alex Rice; AR Class 2, Madison Baker and Jameson Rice; AR Class 3, Spencer Laffond and Isaac Paige; AR Class 4, Erin Laffond and Emma Poplawski; PT Ranger, Madison Baker; SR Lifeguard, Eric Paige; JR Lifeguard, Josh Paige.

2015 programs included: Easter Egg Hunt in the spring, Snowshoe hike out to the horse rink, 4 weeks of summer rec program, 2 weeks of swimming lessons by the YMCA, a survival course led by park ranger Mary Paige, tennis lessons with Madison Baker, 4 senior picnics, Old Home Day events, Percy Brown boat rides, various sports programs, and tractor rides during Tailgate Trick or Treat.

The Summer Recreation program was led by: Director, Carol Lively; Asst Director, Mary Paige; 2nd Assistant, Erin Laffond, Christina Lively, Emma Poplawski, and Jordan Rice.

New Equipment was obtained for the Park:

- * Paddle Board (Come test your balance. It's not as hard as you may imagine.)
- * A sail boat is on loan from Jerry Dupree

The Fitness Center is a wonderful resource for residents. It's located on the second floor of Town Hall. Jodi Fontaine (Fitness Center Trainer) and Deb Lively (Fitness Center Attendant) are present during scheduled hours. These are posted on the Goal Post calendar. In addition to open training, weight Training and yoga classes are offered weekly.

We hope you will continue to enjoy the many opportunities offered by the Park. Please contact us with any questions you might have.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Cowie, Chair
Laurie Pike
Rich Hamilton



Naomi Denouden plays with Lucas Hyytinen



Lucas & Gavin Hyytinen



Park Assistant Ranger Erin Laffond plays with children at the Beach

Photograph by Sean Loomis



Mill Pond Residents

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FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT 2015

To the Residents of the Solid Waste District:

The Solid Waste District was formed in 1989 to help Franklin County towns manage all aspects of their solid waste – recyclables, organics, hazardous waste, wastewater treatment sludge, and trash. We continue to provide assistance to twenty-two member towns through administrative support, professional consultation, trainings, and outreach to residents and businesses.

A review of recycling tonnage for 2015 shows almost an identical amount compared to 2014. District residents recycled over 1,700 tons of paper and over 1,100 tons of mixed containers, which were processed at the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility. Although market prices for recyclables remained low all year, District towns received a total of \$40,000 in revenue for their recyclables.

In 2015, the District sponsored spring and fall “Clean Sweep” collections for bulky items, electronics, tires, appliances, and anything too big to fit into a trash bag. Over 66 tons of material was recycled or disposed of from the two collections. A total of 590 households participated in these collection events.

We held our annual household hazardous waste collection in October 2015. This event allows residents to properly dispose of toxic cleaners, automotive products, pesticides, and other toxic products. A total of 347 households participated in this event. 48% of participants were using the collection for the first time.

We received a \$20,000 grant from the State to set up food waste diversion programs in area schools. We also helped member towns implement \$12,000 worth of small-scale initiative grants from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

We baled over 10 tons of wood pellet bags and agricultural plastic in our first year of this new recycling program. We continue to manage the recycling and composting program at the Franklin County Fair and to assist other events with waste reduction efforts. We continue to work in each school system helping with waste management bids and with fostering sustainable waste reduction programs.

If you have questions about District programs, call us at 413-772-2438 (MA Relay for the hearing impaired: 711 or 1-800-439-2370 TTY/TDD), visit our website at www.franklincountywastedistrict.org or visit us at 50 Miles Street in Greenfield.

Jan Ameen - *Executive Director*
Jonathan Lagreze, Colrain - *Chair*
Chris Boutwell, Montague - *Vice-Chair*
MA Swedlund, Deerfield – *Treasurer*

FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS - FRCOG 2015

The FRCOG is a governmental body that serves and assists the municipalities of Franklin County as effectively and efficiently as possible. We provide regional and municipal services to our member towns using a diversity of funding sources and strategies. To learn about the FRCOG and the projects, products and services that we provide to the greater Franklin County region, please go to our web site, www.frcog.org, or refer to our Annual Report which can be found on the Publications page of our website. Over the course of the year we also provide specific services to every town. In 2015, the FRCOG provided the following individualized services to your town:

Administration and Special Projects

- Individual members of several town energy committees met together informally on a bi-monthly basis to share news from their respective towns and to learn from each other and from invited guests about energy-related topics of mutual interest. FRCOG staff provided assistance facilitating meetings, presenting information, and conducting follow-up communication.
- Town staff participated in discussions for a new multi-town project to share professional human resource services. Grant funds will be used in 2016 to move the project toward implementation.
- FRCOG municipal finance expert met with local officials to discuss municipal financing of the last mile broadband project. **This work included analyzing the potential cost of bond payments for the municipality; reviewing the implications of Proposition 2 1/2 and estimating tax bill impacts.**
- A resident attended the MBI Broadband Expansion informational meeting on April 22 at Ashfield Town Hall, which was co-coordinated by the FRCOG.

Cooperative Bidding & Purchasing Program

- Rowe participated in the cooperative bids and contracts for Heating Oil, Diesel, and Gasoline.
- Rowe contracted with the FRCOG to receive cooperative bid pricing for up to 24 different Highway Products and Services. Total highway contracts for FY16 are \$138,744.
- The Town participated in the Dog Licenses & Tags Program.
- Procurement assistance was provided for installation of a Wood Pellet Boiler and an HVAC system (Mini-split) as part of the Town's Green Communities initiatives.
- The Town is eligible to participate in the Rental Equipment contracts and to purchase Hose and Testing Services as part of the Fire Service cooperative bids.

Cooperative Public Health Service

- Staff coordinated vaccine and supplies assisting town officials from Charlemont, Hawley, Rowe, Heath and Monroe to implement a Hawlemont Region Emergency Dispensing Site drill flu clinic and animal rabies clinic. A total of 54 area residents were served with the help of GCC nursing students and community volunteers.

Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program

- Staff issued 24 building permits, 9 electrical permits & 12 plumbing/gas permits for Rowe in 2015. Nine (9) Certificates of Inspection were issued.

Partnership for Youth

- Staff conducted a Teen Health Survey to assess teen attitudes and behavior among middle and high school students. Staff reported to Mohawk Trail Regional School administrators on results from 172 Mohawk students, representing 72% of the 8th, 10th, and 12th graders. Survey data meets federal No

Child Left Behind requirements for the school, enables the school to receive Safe and Drug Free Schools funding, and is valuable for grant-writing and program planning.

- One staff member from MTRHS and Middle School was trained to deliver the LifeSkills program and is currently incorporating the program into the school curriculum.

Planning and Development Department

- Staff prepared a draft *Community Development Strategy* for the Town.
- FRCOG municipal finance expert met with local officials in January to discuss municipal financing of the last mile broadband project.
- Staff worked with the town's Multi-Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee to prepare an updated Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, which was submitted to MEMA for review in January 2016.
- Staff completed a Plan for the Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership Project for 11 West County towns including Rowe with specific recommendations and projects to support Natural Resource Based Economic Development, Forest Conservation & Municipal Financial Sustainability.
- Staff conducted one traffic count.

Regional Preparedness Program

- Staff conducted a review and an update of the *Hawlemont Emergency Dispensing Site Plan* and ran quarterly contact drills and a site notification drill to test the Plan.
- With FRCOG assistance, staff from the Rowe Board of Health, as well as officials from neighboring communities planned and executed a novel, combined rabies/flu clinic at Hawlemont Elementary School. The event also served as a drill for the *Hawlemont Emergency Dispensing Site Plan*, which guided the personnel using the Integrated Command System. A total of 54 area residents were vaccinated for influenza and 21 animals were vaccinated for rabies.
- Through a state Community Innovation Challenge grant, FRCOG provided the fire department with a mobile data terminal to improve data collection during fire responses.

Town Accounting Program

- Staff produced biweekly vendor warrants, and provided monthly budget reports to all officials and department heads through March of FY15.
- Staff-customized reports for committees and departments were developed and distributed.
- All accounting data was accessible over a secure internet connection to a server at the FRCOG office. Backups were completed daily and there was no unscheduled down time.
- Staff assisted with transition to a new accounting service.

Workshops & Training

The following list represents the FRCOG workshops and training sessions Rowe public officials, staff, and residents attended and the number in attendance.

Western Regional Homeland Security Advisory Council

- Anti Terror Exercise Series — 2
- Crime Scene Preservation for First Responders — 3

Selectboard Essentials

- You are the Boss: Personnel Legal Guidance for SB's — 2
- Big Ticket Projects: From Concept to Town Meeting Approval — 2
- Municipal Finance and Budgets — 3

Partnership for Youth

- Local Food Procurement Training for K-12 Food Service Directors —1

FRANKLIN REGIONAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM 2015

278 MAIN STREET, SUITE 311
GREENFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS 01301-3230

Annual Report for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2014

To the reader:

The Franklin Regional Retirement System is a government agency that serves the 492 retirees, 49 beneficiaries, 921 active employees, and 557 inactive members of the towns and agencies in Franklin County. We are organized under Chapter 34b, and subject to the provisions of Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws. We receive oversight on the state level from the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (PERAC), which audits our operations and financial records every three years. We are also audited by independent auditors in the two intervening years, as well as a complete actuarial valuation every two years.

The retirement benefit we provide replaces participation in the Social Security system and is described as a “defined benefit”, which means that we pay monthly retirement benefits based on the age, salary, and number of years worked at the time a member of our system retires. To be a member, an employee in one of our government units must be working in a permanent position scheduled at 20 hours or more per week and earning \$5,000 or greater annually. Funding of these benefits begins with deductions from the member, and, combined with matching funds from the employing unit, are invested in a mix of stocks, bonds, and indexed funds. Investment earnings are a large part of the funding of retirement benefits, and the allocation of those funds are spread to a variety of sectors to take advantage of positive activity as it occurs in each sector. Please make note of our investment performance percentages in the chart on the next page.

Up until 1988, we were a “pay-as-you-go” system. In 1988 it was legislated that we begin saving to become “fully funded” over the ensuing 40 years. Fully funded means we have enough in reserves to pay for all the current and future potential benefits of our present membership. At the end of 2014, we are 79% funded at 26 years (65%) into the 40 year mandate.

Our fiscal year is the calendar year, therefore our annual report is not filed until May of the subsequent year, and as a consequence the information provided herein will be a year old by the time you read this. Current reports and information can be found on our website: www.FRRSMA.com.

FRANKLIN REGIONAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM (Continued)

What follows is a synopsis of our annual report, as filed with our State oversight commission, PERAC. The full PERAC report can be read on the “Finances” page of our website.

	CY 2014	CY 2013	CY 2012
<u>Balances</u>			
Cash	1,370,581	2,107,878	1,335,467
Investments	118,166,255	112,129,229	94,448,777
Receivables	523,687	272,477	431,106
Payables	81,595	100,714	114,075
Annuity Savings (members)	26,866,304	27,949,619	27,352,296
Retirement Reserves	93,275,814	86,459,252	68,748,979
<u>Revenues</u>			
Member's contributions	3,270,926	3,187,508	3,224,578
Towns, Schools, Agencies	5,418,158	5,605,588	5,202,569
Retirement Cost Sharing	466,031	439,735	375,647
Miscellaneous Revenue	19,414	20,752	66,657
Investment Income (net)	9,063,675	18,879,116	11,727,623
<u>Expenses</u>			
Retirement Benefits	7,980,270	7,437,506	6,840,923
Operating Expenses	403,803	373,095	398,662
Investment Expenses	720,626	657,782	538,484
Retirement Cost Sharing	3,028,026	960,334	723,503
Refunds to Members	372,232	396,387	541,614
<u>Investment Performance</u>			
Target	7.75%	7.88%	7.88%
Since 1984	8.59%	8.59%	8.21%
10 years	7.25%	7.28%	7.04%
5 years	11.39%	13.33%	2.69%
Current Year	8.42%	19.80%	13.39%
<u>Demographics</u>			
	1/1/2014	1/1/2012	1/1/2010
Members' Average Age	48.30	49.00	48.10
Members' Average Service	10.50	10.90	10.10
Members' Average Salary	33,249.00	32,333.00	30,400.00
Retirees' Average Age	72.10	72.10	71.90
Retirees' Average Pension	14,164.00	12,931.00	12,109.00
Disabled Members' Average Age	56.40	n/a	n/a
Disabled Members' Average Pension	26,052.00	n/a	n/a

Dale Kowacki
Executive Director
Franklin Regional Retirement System

VETERANS SERVICES DISTRICT 2015

Department of Veteran Services
294 Main Street
Greenfield, MA 01301
Phone 413-772-1571
Fax 413-772-1401

Fiscal year 2016 saw the creation of the Upper Pioneer Valley Veterans Service District. By member count and by square miles this is the largest veterans' district in Massachusetts. We have strived to provide expanded services through increased satellite office hours, and a mobile office for home visits. Below are just some of the programs and services we help veterans' and their dependents with:

- M.G.L. Ch 115 benefit – Needs based program of financial and medical assistance to eligible veterans and their dependents
- Assistance to veterans and dependents to help file for health care, pensions, and service-connected disabilities
- Homeless prevention assistance to veterans and their families
- Employment help with job searches, resumes, and job interview skills
- Burial assistance to include government markers, flag holders, internment, and VA burial reimbursement
- Massachusetts annuities and tax abatement assistance
- Veterans records retrieval and storage
- Referral to other public and private agencies to include housing, fuel assistance, employment, training, education
- Attend area outreach events(fairs, festivals, health care expos)
- District passed certification for VSOs as required by MA state law

District filed for and helped veterans and eligible dependents be awarded over \$440,000 in VA payments in the district for this year alone. Overall the district has over \$3,040,000 in VA awards flowing into our towns on a monthly basis.

Our office has conducted a thorough review of all MGL CH 115 cases in our district. The net result is a large reduction in monies being paid out by the member towns. This was accomplished by helping clients file for alternative sources of income, and revalidating clients' current situations to ensure eligibility.

For the coming year we will continue to assist veterans, attend more outreach events, and educate both the public and the member towns officials.

Timothy Niejadlik, Director

Upper Pioneer Valley Veterans' Services District

Member Towns: Ashfield Bernardston Buckland Charlemont Colrain Conway Deerfield Erving Gill Greenfield Hawley Heath Leverett Leyden Monroe Montague New Salem Northfield Plainfield Rowe Shelburne Shutesbury Sunderland Warwick Wendell Whately



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TOWN OF ROWE - GENERAL INFORMATION

Town of Rowe

County of Franklin
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

(First Settlement—Fort Pelham 1744 – Originally Known as the Plantation of Myrifiel)
Incorporated February 9, 1785

Population:	393 (2010 U.S. Census)
Population:	390 (Town census)
Total Area:	24.07 Square Miles
Land Area:	23.55 Square Miles
Public Roads:	36.24 Miles
Elevation:	1,396 Feet
Longitude:	W 072 53 55
Latitude:	N 42 41 42

FORM OF GOVERNMENT:	Board of Selectmen; Open Town Meeting
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING:	Second Monday in May
ANNUAL ELECTION:	First Saturday following Annual Town Meeting

Fiscal Year 2015 Tax Rates and Assessed Valuations:

CLASS	TAX RATE	VALUATION	LEVY	% OF TOTAL
Residential	\$ 5.90 per thousand	\$49,738,393.00	\$293,456.52	8.5745 %
Commercial	13.01 per thousand	246,202.00	3,203.09	0.0936 %
Industrial	13.01 per thousand	174,828,500.00	2,274,518.79	66.4836 %
Personal Property	13.01 per thousand	65,342,390.00	850,104.49	24.8483 %
Total		\$290,155,485.00	\$3,421,282.89	100.0000%

Fiscal Year 2015 Appropriations and Charges

Appropriations	\$4,197,879.77
Cherry Sheet Offsets	99,663.00
Cherry Sheet Charges	32,516.00
Snow & Ice Deficit	0.00
Allowance for Abatements & Exemptions	50,081.09
Municipal Capital Stabilization Fund	178,303.00
Other	<u>3,886.80</u>
Total	\$4,562,329.66

Fiscal Year 2015 Revenue Sources

Tax Levy	\$3,421,282.89
Cherry Sheet	216,148.00
Local Receipts	56,200.00
Free Cash	244,504.77
Free Cash (<i>appropriated on or before 06/30/2014</i>)	96,847.00
Other Available Funds	<u>527,347.00</u>
Total	\$4,562,329.66

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OFFICIAL RESULTS – January 28, 2015

Town of Rowe

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Town Clerk: Jennifer A. Morse

Moderator: Robert J. Clancy

Constable: Robert Dykeman

Board of Selectmen: Marilyn Wilson- Chair, Susan Gleason

The meeting was held on Wednesday January 28, 2015 at the Rowe Elementary School and was called to order by the Moderator at 6:30 p.m. There was a quorum present with twenty-six registered voters present and one audience member.

ARTICLE 1: A motion was made and seconded to transfer from the Capital Stabilization Fund the sum of \$400,000.00 to the FY15 General Fund.

Article 1 Passed by Show of Hands - Unanimous

A 2/3 majority vote needed

ARTICLE 2: To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting.

No other business was brought forth

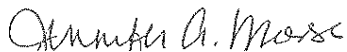
A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 p.m. – Unanimous vote

Respectfully Submitted:

Jennifer A. Morse

Rowe Town Clerk

A true copy, attest:



Jennifer A. Morse

Date January 29, 2015

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OFFICIAL RESULTS – May 11, 2015

Town of Rowe

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Town Clerk: Jennifer A. Morse

Moderator: Robert J. Clancy

Constable: Robert Dykeman

Board of Selectmen: Marilyn Wilson- Chair, Susan Gleason

The Special Town Meeting was held on Monday May 11, 2015 at the Rowe Elementary School. The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Moderator Robert Clancy. Thirty-eight (38) registered voters present at the beginning of the meeting with four (4) audience members.

ARTICLE 1: A motion was made and seconded to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$15,000.00 to pay for the Winter Highway Expense overage.

Article 1 – Pass By Show Of Hands

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 2: A motion was made and seconded to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$2,000.00 to pay for the Town Hall Fuel Oil overage.

Article 2 – Pass By Show Of Hands

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 3: A motion was made and seconded to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$2,000.00 to pay for the Town Hall Electricity overage.

Article 3 – Pass By Show Of Hands

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 4: A motion was made and seconded appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$2,000.00 to pay for the DPW Heating Oil overage.

Article 4 – Pass By Show Of Hands

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 5: A motion was made and seconded to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$4,000.00 to pay for the DPW Fuel for Town Vehicles overage.

Article 5 – Pass By Show Of Hands

Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 6: To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting.

No Business Brought Forward

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Special Town Meeting at 6:39 p.m.

Unanimous Vote

Respectfully Submitted:
Jennifer A. Morse
Rowe Town Clerk

A true copy, attest:



Jennifer A. Morse
Date May 14, 2015

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OFFICIAL RESULTS - May 11, 2015 – FY16

Town of Rowe

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Town Clerk: Jennifer A. Morse
Moderator: Robert J. Clancy
Constable: Robert Dykeman
Town Counsel: Donna MacNicol
Tellers: Christopher Hyytinen, Marjorie Morse, Rebecca Richardson, Ellynn Packard

The Annual Town Meeting was held on Monday May 11, 2015 at the Rowe Elementary School. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Moderator Robert J. Clancy. There was Eighty- Three (83) registered voters present and Six (6) audience members. Moderator Clancy requested a moment of silence in memory of the following Rowe residents that deceased since the last annual town meeting; George Gaudry, Francis Benson, Wendell Stetson and Tom Williams. Moderator Clancy then turned to the Board of Selectmen for comment before reading the annual town meeting warrant. The Board of Selectmen had no comments.

Mr. Rick Williams Chair of the Board of Assessors spoke regarding the impact on taxes if all articles are passed as presented. The residential tax rate will increase \$.16 to approximately \$6.06. The commercial and personal property tax will increase \$.36 to approximately \$13.37.

The following elected positions will be on the ballot for the Annual Town Election on May 16, 2015. Polling time is 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Rowe Town Hall.

- 1 Selectman for three (3) years
- 1 Assessor for three (3) years
- 1 Board of Health Member for three (3) years
- 1 Cemetery Commissioner for three (3) years
- 1 Finance Committee Members for three (3) years
- 1 Finance Committee Member for three (3) years
- 1 Library Trustee for three (3) years
- 1 Park Commissioner for three (3) years
- 1 Planning Board Member for five (5) years
- 1 School Committee Member for three (3) years

Question 1: Shall the Town of Rowe be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one half, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds to be issued in order to fund the Town's share of the costs of construction, installation and start-up of a regional broadband network, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, such project to be carried out by the Town's Municipal Light Plant acting as a member of a cooperative of such Plants formed under Chapter 164, Section 47C of the General Laws?

ARTICLE 1: A motion was made and seconded to act on reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

Mrs. Cindy Laffond of Hazelton Road spoke regarding seeing no recognition of James Taylor former Highway Superintendant and his retirement in 2014. She also noted that there was no police report in the Town Report.

***Article 1 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote***

ARTICLE 2: A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Select Board to choose all necessary officers not elected by ballot for the ensuing year.

***Article 2 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote***

ARTICLE 3: A motion was made and seconded to appropriate \$ 860,000.00 by borrowing for the Town's share of the costs of the construction, installation and start-up of a regional broadband network, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, such project to be carried out by the Town's Municipal Light Plant acting as a member of a cooperative of such Plants formed under Chapter 164, Section 47C of the General Laws; and to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue any bonds or notes that may be necessary for that purpose.

***Article 3 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote
2/3 Vote Declared By The Moderator***

ARTICLE 4: A 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 2016 fiscal year.

Administration

Legal Expenses	10,000.00
General Administration	24,000.00
Town Officer Expenses	2,000.00
Print Town Reports	3,000.00
Board of Selectman's Administrative Clerk	39,452.00
Administrative Assistant Compensation	6,710.00
IT Hardware/Software	10,350.00
Tax Collector's Operations	7,290.00
Town Clerk Operations	2,000.00
Election/Teller Expenses	4,000.00
Registrars & Census Takers Compensation	350.00
Assistant Treasurer Compensation	6,813.00
Town Accountant and Expenses	15,900.00
Municipal Audit	2,000.00
Bonding and Insurance	47,250.00
Town-wide Notification System	1,000.00
Municipal Center Operations/Maintenance	15,420.00
Town Hall Custodian Wages	12,810.00
Town Hall Fuel Oil	6,500.00
Town Hall Electricity	8,500.00
Town Hall Elevator Maintenance Contract	1,800.00
Energy Committee Operations	500.00
Council on Aging	4,600.00
Conservation Commission Operations	1,500.00
Subtotal Administration	233,745.00

Assessors' Office

Assessors' Clerk Compensation	9,657.00
Assessors' Operations	8,000.00
Assessor's Triennial Evaluation	15,000.00
Subtotal Assessors' Office	32,657.00

Planning Board

Planning Board Operations	1,250.00
Planning Board Consulting Expenses	5,000.00
<u>Planning Board Goal Post Operations</u>	<u>12,100.00</u>
Subtotal Planning Board	18,350.00

Stipends

Selectmen Stipends	5,840.00
Assessors Stipends	5,275.00
Moderator Stipend	432.00
Tax Collector Stipend	7,516.00
Town Clerk Stipend	12,781.00
<u>Treasurer</u>	<u>13,203.00</u>
Subtotal Stipends	45,047.00

Veterans' Services

Veterans' District Services Assessment	500.00
Operations	2,807.00
<u>Veterans' Benefits</u>	<u>100.00</u>
Subtotal Veterans' Services	3,407.00

Contracted Services

FRCOG Cooperative Purchasing Program	1,460.00
Accounting Software (1 st year including set-up)	3,462.00
Payroll Services	4,250.00
FCCIP Inspection Program (Building, Wiring, Plumbing, Gas)	3,500.00
<u>IT Consultant</u>	<u>6,500.00</u>
Subtotal Contracted Services	19,172.00

Regional Assessments

FRCOG Regional Services Assessment	15,113.00
<u>FRCOG Statutory Assessment</u>	<u>1,021.00</u>
Subtotal Regional Assessments	16,134.00

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT FROM TAXATION**\$368,512.00**

***Article 4 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote***

ARTICLE 5: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the sum of \$20,000.00 to be used as a Reserve Fund pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 6, for extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures for the 2016 fiscal year.

***Article 5 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote***

ARTICLE 6: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for the operation and maintenance of **Public Works and Facilities** for the 2016 fiscal year.

Highway Department

DPW Superintendent's Salary	71,190.00
DPW Heavy Equipment Operator's Wages	186,489.00
DPW Operations & Maintenance	29,930.00
DPW Heating Oil	6,500.00
DPW Electricity	1,500.00
Fuel for Town Vehicles	43,000.00
Road Surface Maintenance/Reclamation	80,000.00
Annual DPW Projects	43,050.00
<u>Snow & Ice Removal (Winter Roads)</u>	<u>68,612.00</u>
Subtotal Highway Department	530,271.00

Other Public Works & Facilities

Summer Youth Employment Program	25,934.00
Street Lighting	5,500.00
<u>Municipal Light Plant</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
Subtotal Other Public Works & Facilities	32,434.00

Cemeteries – Cemeteries – Maintenance/Repair 15,000.00

TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES FROM TAXATION **\$577,705.00**

Moderator Clancy thanked the DPW for their hard work keeping the roads cleared over the long hard winter.

Article 6 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 7: A motion was made and seconded to **Appropriate** from available funds the sum of \$ 146,345.00 for the maintenance, repair, improvement and construction of town highways, or any other purpose allowed under Chapter 90, which amounts shall be reimbursed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through funds made available by Chapter 90.

Article 7 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 8: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for **Public Safety** for the 2016 fiscal year.

Police Department

Police Chief Stipend	23,007.00
Police Officers Compensation	25,574.00
Operations	8,850.00
<u>Police Old Home Day Presence</u>	<u>492.00</u>
Subtotal Police Department	57,923.00

Fire Department

Fire Chief Stipend	7,516.00
Fire Officers Stipends	2,000.00
Emergency Management Director	3,807.00
Firefighter Stipends	7,885.00
Fire Dept. Admin Assistant	7,488.00
Fire Department General Operations	24,160.00
Fire Station Heating Oil	4,440.00
Fire Station Electricity	1,560.00
Emergency Management	2,000.00
Forest Fire Control	100.00
<u>Hazardous Material Control</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
Subtotal Fire Department	61,956.00

Emergency Medical Services

EMS Coordinator Stipend	2,188.00
EMS Operations and Maintenance	1,500.00
<u>Emergency Personnel Stipends/Expenses</u>	<u>6,194.00</u>
Subtotal Emergency Medical Service	9,882.00

Animal Control and Inspection

Animal Control Officer Stipend	639.00
Regional Animal Control Officer	500.00
Regional Dog Control/Adoption Center Membership	300.00
<u>Animal Inspector Stipend</u>	<u>532.00</u>
Subtotal Animal Control and Inspection	1,971.00

Constable Stipend 541.00

TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY FROM TAXATION **\$132,273.00**

*Article 8 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote*

ARTICLE 9: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE** and **APPROPRIATE** to the **STABILIZATION FUND** the sum of **\$3,000.00** for future ambulance services.

*Article 9 – Passed By Show Of Hands
One Opposed Vote
2/3 Vote Declared By Moderator*

ARTICLE 10: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE** and **APPROPRIATE** the following sums for **Public Health and Sanitation** for the 2016 fiscal year.

Transfer Station Attendant Compensation	15,745.00
Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day	500.00
Refuse Garden Operations	30,500.00
Franklin County Solid Waste Management District Assessment	4,400.00
Board of Health Stipend	4,865.00
Board of Health Clerk Wages	7,182.00
Board of Health Operations	13,500.00
Filing and Organization	555.00
Town Nurse Wages	44,074.00
Health Services Operations	6,000.00
<u>Physician's Stipend</u>	<u>500.00</u>
Subtotal Public Health and Sanitation	127,821.00

*Article 10 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote*

ARTICLE 11: A motion was made and seconded to raise and appropriate **\$ 1000.00** to establish a new Health Services Account entitled **Emergency Dispensing Site Revolving Fund**, pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E½, to use a **revolving fund with a limit of \$2,000.00** for the 2016 fiscal year to accept receipts. The purpose is to manage the grants which are used for the emergency dispensing site purchases. Any remaining funds may be rolled over into a similar revolving fund for fiscal year 2017.

***Article 11 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote***

TOTAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND SANITATION FROM TAXATION	\$128,821.00
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ARTICLE 12: A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Board of Health, pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E½, to use a revolving fund with a limit of **\$5,000.00** for fiscal year 2016 to accept receipts **related to the Town's recycling program and expenditures** for the operation of the Town's solid waste and recycling programs, membership in and services in the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District, and the purchase of recycled content or environmentally preferable products, to be under the authority of the Board of Health, in which any remaining funds may be rolled over into a similar revolving fund for fiscal year 2017.

***Article 12 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote***

ARTICLE 13: A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Board of Health, pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E½, to use a **revolving fund with a limit of \$6,000.00** for the 2016 fiscal year to accept receipts from the Insurance Billing for the purpose of **providing vaccine services**, in which any remaining funds may be rolled over into a similar revolving fund for fiscal year 2017.

***Article 13 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote***

ARTICLE 14: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for **Public Schools** for the 2016 fiscal year, or take any action in relation thereto:

School Committee Stipend	4,497.00
Rowe School Budget	
Rowe School Pre -K-6 Operating Budget	1,034,156.00
Rowe School Secondary	548,920.00

TOTAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM TAXATION	\$1,587,573.00
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***Article 14 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote***

ARTICLE 15: A motion was made and seconded to authorize the School Committee, pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E½, to use a **revolving fund with a limit of \$10,000.00** for the 2016 fiscal year to accept fees for **School Programs** for the purpose of offsetting department costs, in which any remaining funds may be rolled over into a similar revolving fund for fiscal year 2017.

***Article 15 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote***

ARTICLE 16: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for the **Rowe Town Library** for the 2016 fiscal year.

Library Director Compensation	20,655.00
Library Staff Wages	17,069.00
Library Operations and Maintenance	20,966.00
Library Heating Oil	2,300.00
Library Electricity	1,600.00
CWMARS Mininet Annual Membership	3,655.00
Library CWMARS Overdrive Assessment	260.00
TOTAL ROWE TOWN LIBRARY FROM TAXATION	66,505.00

*Article 16 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote*

ARTICLE 17: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for the **management and operation of Pelham Lake Park** for the 2016 fiscal year.

Park Ranger Compensation	45,393.00
Park Wages	41,025.00
Operation and Maintenance	19,348.00
TOTAL PARK FROM TAXATION	105,766.00

*Article 17 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote*

ARTICLE 18: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums fiscal year 2016 for **Culture and Recreation** items.

Gracy House Operations	4,000.00
Gracy House Materials/Supplies	500.00
Beautification Committee	2,000.00
TOTAL GRACY HOUSE and BEAUTIFICATION FROM TAXATION	6,500.00

*Article 18 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote*

ARTICLE 19: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums fiscal year 2016 for **Old Home Day**.

Old Home Day	6,000.00
Old Home Day Fireworks	5,000.00
TOTAL OLD HOME DAY FROM TAXATION	11,000.00

A motion was made and seconded to Amend Article 19 to:

Old Home Day	5,500.00
Old Home Day Evening Display	5,000.00
TOTAL OLD HOME DAY FROM TAXATION	10,500.00

Motion to Amend Article 19 – Passed By Show Of Hands
28- Yes 15 – No

Article 19 as Amended – Passed By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 20: A motion was made and seconded to authorize the **Old Home Day Committee**, pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E½, to use a **revolving fund with a limit of \$5,000.00** for the 2016 fiscal year to accept departmental receipts generated by Old Home Day activities and programs for the purpose of **defraying expenses of Old Home Day**, in which any remaining funds may be rolled over into a similar revolving fund for fiscal year 2017.

Article 20 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 21: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for **Pensions and Insurance** for the 2016 fiscal year.

Franklin County Retirement Assessment	123,000.00*
Unemployment Insurance	1,000.00**
Group Health Insurance	406,000.00**
<u>FICA/Medicare Tax – Town Share</u>	<u>40,000.00**</u>
TOTAL PENSION & INSURANCE FROM TAXATION	570,000.00

* Excludes pension costs for teachers in MA Teachers' Retirement

** Costs are for all applicable town & school employees

Article 21 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 22: A motion was made and seconded to **APPROPRIATE** from FREE CASH the sum of **\$107,916.00** to be used to reduce the FY2016 Tax Rate.

Article 22 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote

ARTICLE 23: A motion was made and seconded to **APPROPRIATE** from the **STABILIZATION FUND**, the following sums for **improvements**.

FIRE DEPT – Hazardous Material Trailer	4,500.00	
FIRE DEPT – Chain Saws	1,600.00	
FIRE DEPT – Portable Pump	1,750.00	
FIRE DEPT – Step Chair	3,000.00	
PARK – Playground Construction	5,000.00	
PARK – Gravel for Park and Tennis Courts Roads	2,500.00	
PARK – Fitness Center Equipment	5,200.00	
SCHOOL – 3 MacBooks	2,400.00	
SCHOOL – 3 ChromeBooks	900.00	
SCHOOL – 4 iPads	1,400.00	
TOWN HALL – Exercise Room Ceiling Tiles	3,500.00	
TOWN HALL – Wash Town Hall Exterior and Windows	2,600.00	
<u>TOWN HALL – Cement Sidewalk Repair</u>	<u>9,000.00</u>	
TOTAL STABILIZATION		43,350.00

Article 23- Passed By Show Of Hands
Two Opposed Votes
2/3 Vote Declared By Moderator

ARTICLE 24: A motion was made and seconded **APPROPRIATE** from the **CAPITAL STABILIZATION FUND**, the following sums for **capital repairs and improvements**.

SCHOOL – Tractor With Attachments	24,000.00
DPW – Road Surface Reclamation/Maintenance	20,000.00
ENERGY COMMITTEE – Energy Committee Projects	28,000.00
TOWN HALL – Generators for Town Hall Complex	50,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL STABILIZATION FUND	122,000.00

*Article 24 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Two Opposed Votes
2/3 Vote Declared By Moderator*

ARTICLE 25: A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Select Board to enter into a five-year contract with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection and Waste Management Recycle America, LLC for recycling services at the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility.

*Article 25 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous*

ARTICLE 26: A motion was made and seconded to postpone indefinitely Article 26.

“ To see if the Town will vote to join the Mohawk Trail Regional School District pursuant to the proposed amended Mohawk Trail Regional District Agreement, which provides for the expansion of the Mohawk Trail Regional School District to include the town of Rowe as a 7-12 member town, as posted and/or available in Rowe Town Hall and Town Website, to be effective July 1, 2016.”

*Article 26 – Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote*

ARTICLE 27: To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting

Board of Selectmen Chair Marilyn Wilson thanked Lisa Danek Burke for serving on the School Committee for twelve years - the voters gave Ms. Danek Burke a standing ovation.
Rev. Doug Wilson thanked Jim Taylor – Former DPW Superintendant for his work and sent well wishes – the voters gave Mr. Jim Taylor a standing ovation

Mr. Paul McLatchy III proposed the following non binding resolution:

*Whereas the Charlemont Ambulance Service may not have sufficient volunteers to properly serve and maintain its certification,
Whereas the Town of Rowe is a rural community and located a fair distance from any hospital,
Whereas time is of the essence when dealing with life-threatening emergencies,*

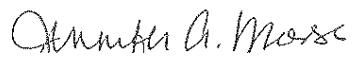
Be it Resolved that the voters of the Town of Rowe do hereby support efforts made by local and state officials to ensure the continued existence of the Charlemont Ambulance Service, and support the passage of Massachusetts Senate Bill 1141, which will improve the ability of the Ambulance Service to respond to call.

The Non Binding Resolution was voted on and Passed By A Show Of Hands – Unanimous Vote

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m. – Unanimous Vote

Respectfully Submitted:
Jennifer A. Morse
Rowe Town Clerk

A true copy, attest:



Jennifer A. Morse
Date May 15, 2015

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OFFICIAL RESULTS - June 28, 2015

Town of Rowe
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Town Clerk: Jennifer A. Morse
Moderator: Robert J. Clancy
Constable: Robert Dykeman
Board of Selectman: Marilyn Wilson (Chair), Susan Gleason (Vice Chair)

The Special Town Meeting was held on Monday June 29, 2015 at the Rowe Elementary School. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Moderator Robert Clancy. Thirty-seven (37) registered voters present.

ARTICLE 1: A motion was made and seconded to transfer \$57,658.09 from the Stabilization Fund to the School Encumbrance 2014 account

Article 1 – Pass By Show Of Hands

Moderator Clancy declared the 2/3 majority with two opposed votes

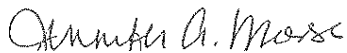
Other Business: Paul McLatchy III reminded the voters that Old Home Day BBQ Tickets are on sale until Wednesday July 1, 2015.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Special Town Meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Unanimous Vote

Respectfully Submitted:
Jennifer A. Morse
Rowe Town Clerk

A true copy, attest:



Jennifer A. Morse
Date June 29, 2015