

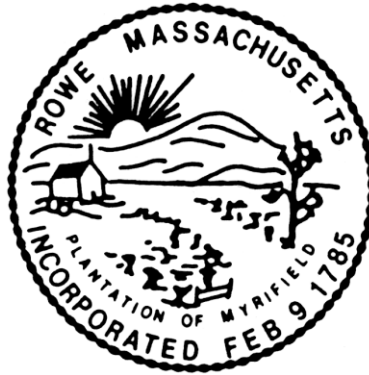
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of the

Town of Rowe

Massachusetts



for the Year Ending

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TOWN OF ROWE – TOWN INFORMATION & MEETING SCHEDULES

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Executive Secretary	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
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Board of Selectmen:	admin@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 10		by Appointment
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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	6:30am – 2:30pm
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	8:00am – 3:00pm
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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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Dorothy M. Kalaus
November 25, 1928 – January 7, 2016



Richard Elmer Alix
March 26, 1931 – March 19, 2016



Barbara Grogan
January 7, 1943 – September 22, 2016



Ian Vernes
February 28, 1932 – October 10, 2016



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Annual Town Meeting May 9, 2016

(Left to Right) Select Board Members Walt Quist, Susan Gleason, Marilyn Wilson;
Town Counsel Donna MacNicol & Moderator Bob Clancy

BOARD OF SELECTMEN 2016

Susan Gleason finished her three year term on the Board of Selectmen (BOS) and is now enjoying her well earned retirement. We thank Sue for her dedication to the town, common sense, hard work, and intelligent approach to all issues.

Dennis May was elected to be Rowe's next Selectman and we welcome Dennis.

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) performed a Financial Management Review Update in the Spring of 2016 in which the state of Rowe's financial systems were compared to what was found when the DOR performed the original review in 2007.

The DOR's report this year found that the most important recommendations made in 2007 have been accomplished, and the lesser suggestions have seen progress in implementation.

The Board of Selectmen (BOS) worked on identifying best financial practices and formalizing them. This project was a part of the Community Compact Initiative promoted by Gov. Baker's administration. While striving to achieve the best financial practices is in and of itself a worthy goal, having accomplished this means that Rowe is now eligible for various state grants. The Governor has made participation in the Community Compact Initiative a requirement for such funding.

Selmi Hyytinen was appointed to be Rowe's Emergency Medical Services Director in June. Soon after he found he could not continue in this role and so he resigned from this position as well as his position as Rowe's only Emergency Medical Technician (EMT.) We thank Mr. Hyytinen for his years of dedicated work as an EMT.

Fortunately, Josh Little of Monroe, a licensed and experienced EMT, stepped in to work closely with Fire Chief Brandon Sprague. Josh has reviewed all of our medical equipment and supplies. Josh is also working closely with the North Adams Ambulance Service and both are planning trainings for Rowe's first responders.

Walt Quist from the BOS worked diligently with his co- members on the Energy Committee to obtain grants from the State for energy improvements at various Town facilities. A very great deal of time went into this endeavor with copious forms and reporting requirements being met. We are now reaping the benefits of this effort and we thank Walt for heading this project and committing so much time to it.

Pan Am Southern Railroad owns the Hoosac Tunnel Bridge. The latter is in poor condition but in spite of repeated appeals to the railroad by the BOS, to date repairs have not been made. The weight limit is 6 tons and most of the vehicles in our essential services weigh considerably more than that.

The following measures have been taken to serve the residents who live across the bridge on Lower Tunnel Road: the police cruiser weighs less than 6 tons so police service can be maintained; our Fire Chief has arranged that in the event of a fire, the trains will be stopped and fire vehicles will travel down the service road which runs parallel to the train tracks; the highway department has engaged one of the property owners as a sub-contractor to plow and sand the area; and the SUV which the Town purchased for emergency support has been outfitted completely with medical supplies. The SUV will transport a patient across the bridge to the waiting ambulance.

The Mass Department of Transportation (DOT) sent a notice of warning to the BOS about five bridges in town which are in need of repair or replacement. Two bridges need urgent attention, one of which must be replaced; the other three will need repair soon. The BOS is working with Andrea Woods, the procurement officer at the Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG) and with Gill Engineering, bridge specialists to expedite this project.

We will be looking into low cost loans in the form of State House Notes as well as grants for funding the bridge repair. Recommendations from the Finance Committee and the Board of Selectmen will be presented to Town Meeting some time in 2017.

The BOS applied for a Community Block Development Grant and this was awarded with \$1,000,000 being divided between Rowe and two other towns. Rowe is slated to receive \$280,000.00 to rehabilitate up to 8 units. The purpose of this grant money is to provide funds for housing repairs and rehabilitation.

The Last Mile:

The Last Mile is the project to bring high speed internet to all of Western MA. The Mass Broadband Institute (MBI) was formed in 2008 via an emergency bill to do just this. WiredWest (WW) is an entity created by volunteers, all of whom have a great deal of expertise in areas ranging from finance to computer technology, and the business model is that of a cooperative. The point of a cooperative is that we can reduce costs by bulk buying of goods and services, pooling risk, and sharing profits.

Columbia Telecommunications Corporation (CTC,) a company with over twenty years of experience in studying businesses such as WW, has stated that the WW business plan is “very solid” and is the only model which well suits small, rural, sparsely populated towns. The Harvard Berkman Center for Internet and Society likewise strongly approved of the WW plan.

Both studies were disparaging about the way MBI has conducted its project with the Berkman Center stating that MBI is a “tragic political mess.”

Why is this information important? Because MBI changed course in the Spring of 2016 when Gov. Charlie Baker put Peter Larkin in charge of MBI with the order to “get it done.” Unfortunately, to the new players at MBI this means get it done at all costs no matter the damage to towns.

Rowe’s Broadband Committee and the Rowe BOS have been instrumental getting MBI, a state agency staffed with political appointees, to change some of their directives and we will continue to protect the Town’s interests.

As of this writing, Jan. 17, 2017, we have reached out to Carolyn Kirk, the Deputy Secretary of Housing and Economic Development and the person who okays MBI’s policies, and Suzanne Bump, the State Auditor with our concerns about the new MBI policies as created by Peter Larkin. These policies are detrimental to the financial well-being of small towns. In addition, some of the orders from MBI are contrary to the law and we are bringing this to the attention of the lawyers at MBI.

We have had a meeting with senior auditors and are expecting a meeting between Carolyn Kirk and local officials.

Verizon is on record as stating that it will no longer repair or replace the deteriorating copper wires that carry telephone and DSL. Our phone lines and computer connections are of poor quality now and soon we will not have any at all. This is why we need fiberoptic cable to bring high speed internet to Rowe. The Rowe school

children need to be able to keep up with students in other parts of MA and the world. In 2017 there is no excuse for Western MA to be kept in the digital darkness.

The good news is that Rowe is ahead of the wave: we have completed the forms required by MBI and the pole survey is done. The latter is required before the construction can begin.

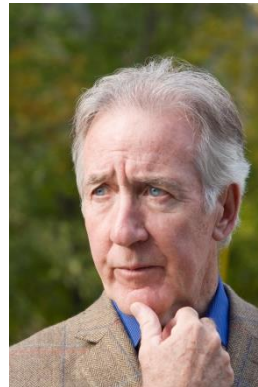
Fuller details of the project, which has only moved at all due to the efforts of WiredWest and local officials, are to be found on the WiredWest website, now ably and superlatively managed by David Dvore: <http://wiredwest.net/>

We thank all of our town employees for their support and work on behalf of the town; and we especially thank our hardworking volunteers. The town runs as smoothly as it does due to the selfless work of these people. Volunteering for the various boards and committees, whether elected or appointed, requires a great deal of effort, but without these good people we would not have a democracy.

As always, we encourage questions and comments. The BOS meeting minutes are current, posted on the website, and also are available in hard copy form in a large white binder in the hearing room.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marilyn Wilson, Chair,
Walter Quist, Vice-Chair
Dennis May



Chair Wilson with State Rep. Paul Mark and Congressman Richard Neal
Tour the Yankee Rowe facility on October 3, 2016



Len Laffond, Rep. Paul Mark, Marilyn Wilson, Richard Neal
& Janice Boudreau Back Row: Bob Capstick of Rowe Yankee

BOARD OF ASSESSORS 2016

Membership of the Board remained the same throughout this year as **Heidi Cousineau** was re-elected to a three-year term at the annual town election in May 2016. Board members nominated and elected **Rick Williams** to serve again as Chair.

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

The Assessors continue to utilize **Patriot Properties' AssessPro** assessing software and **Cartographic Associates' Query Manager** GIS mapping software. **Mayflower Valuation** 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 FCCIP building inspection program were reviewed, field verified, and property cards updated accordingly
- **survey plans** and **deeds** recording property transfers received from the Franklin County Registry of Deeds were reviewed, compared to tax maps for verification of data, and property cards updated accordingly
- **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 records updated accordingly
- **real estate, personal property, and motor vehicle excise tax bill warrants and commitments** were reviewed and approved as necessary
- **tax exemption applications** were reviewed and granted as allowed by law
- **tax abatement applications** were reviewed and granted as allowed by law

Based on the **FY17** interim year update **sales analysis** for Rowe, residential property home values, building lot values, and excess land values remained **unchanged**. **New Growth for FY17** was a mere **\$13,074**. The resulting **total town valuation** for **FY17** increased by only **~0.2% from \$294,751,591 to \$295,333,087**.

The **FY17 tax rates** of **\$6.19** for Residential (R) and **\$13.67** for Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property (CIP) were set on September 29 at a Classification Hearing with the Board of Selectmen. This contrasts to the previous fiscal year tax rates of **\$6.03** for Residential and **\$13.31** for CIP.

According to MA Department of Revenue's municipal databank records for **FY17** (Fall 2016 tax bills), Rowe had the **10th** lowest **residential tax rate** and the **3rd** lowest **average single family tax bill** in the state (**\$1,298**). For **FY16** (Fall 2015 tax bills) Rowe had the **9th** lowest **residential tax rate** and had the **4th** lowest **average single family tax bill (\$1,256)**.

Reminder...the so-called **Proposition 2½ Levy Limit** restricts the amount of money that Rowe can appropriate each year from taxation without the approval of an override. By law the limit increases only 2.5% each year (**\$84,224** for Rowe for **FY17**). 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 and has had to make cuts, defer projects, or utilize other "*available funds*" from **Free Cash**, **Overlay Surplus**, and the **Stabilization Funds** to balance the regular operating budget and to pay for special projects.

Please feel free to visit the Assessors' Office during posted office hours or posted monthly meetings; or email us at assessor@rowe-ma.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

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

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE 2016

This year was devoted to maintenance with no major projects undertaken. There has been some discussion about the deterioration condition of the benches on the Town Hall green and their replacement. The Committee is researching more permanent benches made of stone or marble that would endure for years to come. An idea was discussed about funding the cost through citizen participation. Citizens could dedicate a bench to a special loved one. The project remains in the early stage of research to find appropriate benches that would be aesthetically pleasing and last indefinitely.

We would like to thank Michael Phillips, who in Spring, volunteered his services to rake and clean up the area around Town Hall. We later hired Madison Baker to work on the gardens surrounding Town Hall, Gazebo and the Gracy House which were in great need of attention. Michael Phillips was hired in late Fall to continue the work started by Madison and added a final mulch to garden areas.

During the Summer, Jodi Brown and Rebecca Richardson planted colorful annual flowers around the Town Hall and maintaining them was a challenge through this the extremely dry Summer. John Magnago planted red, white and blue flowers at the Veteran's Memorial in time for the annual Memorial Day Ceremony.

If you have pride in your Town, enjoy the beauty of the Town Common and Town buildings, please join us, we need new energy, ideas and volunteers to continue the efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

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

CEMETERY COMMISSION 2016

During 2016 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 2017 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 2016

Since Colonial times, almost one third of Massachusetts' wetlands have been destroyed. Today, wetlands are protected by state and federal laws. Each town has a Conservation Commission that works hand-in-hand with state agencies to make sure that our water resources remain intact for the future generations. The Rowe Conservation Commission is a five-member Commission, with three-year terms.

The primary purpose of the Wetlands Protection Act is to protect wetlands and the public interests they serve. Local Conservation Commissions protect these wetlands by requiring review of all proposed work that may alter these water resource areas. Under the act, no one may "remove, fill, dredge, or alter" any wetland, bank of a lake or stream, land under a water body, land within 100 feet of any of these resource areas, land within 200 feet of a perennial stream or river, or within a floodplain **regardless of ownership** without a permit from the Conservation Commission.

If you are considering doing any work on land on or near a resource area, you may need to obtain a permit from the Conservation Commission. The Commission issues these permits on behalf of, and with the assistance of, the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

If you are considering doing any construction, digging, cutting of trees, or other work:

- Within 200 feet of a perennial stream (generally running through the year).
- Within 100 feet of an intermittent stream (generally running, but not year-round).
- Within 100 feet of a wetland,
- Within 100 feet of a lake or pond
- Within a 100 year floodplain,

a permit may be required for such activity. Some minor activities may be exempt from these permitting requirements (unpaved walkways for private use; fencing, stonewalls, stacks of firewood – as long as they do not act as a barrier to wildlife movement; vista pruning - which must be certain distances from riverfront or BVW; planting of native tree species; conversion of impervious surfaces to vegetated surfaces; activities that are temporary in nature; and have negligible impacts). The land within the areas listed above is always subject to the regulations - it is the activities that may be exempt. When in doubt, it is best to ask.

The Conservation Commission meets as needed to address matters brought before it relating to their duties and responsibilities to protect jurisdictional wetland resources and the interests they serve. To achieve this, the following applications and responses are utilized:

Forms filed by applicants:

Request for Determination of Applicability:

If you are not sure whether an area is subject to jurisdiction, or if the activity may not result in the alteration of a resource area, you should file Form 1 – Request for Determination. This Request asks one or more of the following questions: whether the area is subject to jurisdiction; whether the boundaries of the resource areas are correct; whether the proposed work is subject to jurisdiction; or whether the area/work is subject to a wetlands bylaw. After this Request is filed with the Commission, the Commission will schedule a site visit, and a public meeting. There is no fee associated with the Application itself, but the applicant will be required to pay for the required newspaper advertisement for the public meeting. In 2016, the Commission acted on four Requests for Determination of Applicability.

Notice of Intent:

If the proposed activity is in an area subject to jurisdiction, the applicant should file Form 3 or 4 – Notice of Intent (or Abbreviated Notice of Intent). This process will take one month to several months, depending on the complexity of the project. Additional documentation is also required. After this NOI is filed with the Commission, the Commission will schedule a site visit, and a public meeting. There is a fee associated with the Application itself, and the applicant will be required to pay for the required newspaper advertisement for the public meeting. In 2016, the Commission acted on three Notice of Intent.

Building Permits:

At the request of Franklin County Cooperative Inspector Program, any time a building permit application is received that involves any digging, the Commission is asked to sign off electronically on the application, verifying that the project is not subject to the WPA, and the work will not be in a jurisdictional area. In 2016, the Commission performed 11 site visits in response to Building Permits.)

Actions Taken by the Commission:

Determination of Applicability:

If the Commission has enough information to make a determination, a Form 2 – Determination of Applicability will be issued indicating that either the area is not subject to jurisdiction, or that the activity will

not alter a resource area or conforming that the work is subject to the Wetlands Protection Act, and a Notice of Intent will be required before the activity can start.

Order of Conditions:

The Commission will issue an Order of Conditions in response to a Notice of Intent. This will either permit or deny the proposed activities; establish required conditions for the proposed work; ensure that performance standards are met; and resource area impacts are minimized. A project can be denied if it does not meet the performance standards or for lack of information. The Order of Conditions must be recorded at the Registry of Deeds, at the applicant or landowners expense. In 2016, the Commission issued four Order of Conditions.

Monitoring and Compliance:

The Commission may require a pre-construction meeting; perform compliance inspections; and will make a final site visit before issuing a Certificate of Compliance. The Certificate of Compliance is requested by the applicant after the work has been completed. In 2016, the Commission issued two Certificates of Compliances.

Emergency Permit:

Occasionally a situation presents itself that poses an imminent threat to human health or safety, and requires action sooner than the above application process allows. In this case, a single Commissioner may issue an Emergency Permit, which will be ratified by a majority of the Commission members at the next scheduled meeting. A copy of the Emergency Permit is filed with DEP. In 2016, the Commission issued three Emergency Permits.

Training and education:

Members of the Commission participated in educational and training activities during the course of the year. These courses were sponsored by the Department of Environmental Protection and Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissioners. The formats have been classroom instruction as well as fieldwork.

Meetings are open to the public, and questions are encouraged.

Rowe Conservation Commission:

Ramon Sanchez, Chairman

Bob Clancy

Prue Berry

Virginia Gabert

Myra Carlow

ENERGY COMMITTEE 2016

In 2016 the Rowe Energy Committee's focus was to oversee the completion of the Green Community Grants started in 2015.

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.

In the winter the wood pellet boiler and connected pellet silo were completed and up and running in the DPW building.

In the Spring, Sandri Energy completed the installation of 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 were completed.

On behalf of the Town, we would like to thank Walt Quist for all of his time and effort. Walt made these projects happen, and saw them to fruition. He went way beyond the call of duty overseeing the cleaning of the Town Hall attic and Library storage spaces.

The preparation for the insulation project afforded a great opportunity to clean out items that were cluttering spaces and no longer valuable, obsolete, damaged or unsafe and adding unnecessary weight in Town Hall and Library. We acknowledge the work of Lance Learned, DPW Superintendent and his crew of Ken Shippee and Paul Plante for their assistance in the clean out hauling and trucking along with The Town Hall Staff of Sandy Daviau, Sheila Litchfield and Janice Boudreau. In addition, Library Director Molly Lane and her Staff assisted at the Library.

The savings to both buildings should be noticed immediately by a reduction in fossil fuel usage. Currently the committee is dormant and in need of new members with or without technical expertise in energy use and conservation.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee Members
Michael Phillips
Wayne Zavotka

FINANCE COMMITTEE 2016

This past year, your Finance Committee has taken advantage of invites from the School Committee and Board of Selectmen to participate in discussions of important issues from their outset. Chief among these are: the decision regarding the town of Rowe rejoining the Mohawk Regional School District as a member town, the upcoming repair of bridges and dams within town, and the efforts to bring broadband connectivity to town.

We hope that our involvement in these issues from the earliest moments through their eventual conclusion will lend credence to subsequent Finance Committee recommendations. When you see “Recommended by the Finance Committee” you may have confidence that such a recommendation is made from a fully informed position.

We will work with these and other boards to help in any way that we can to keep the Town of Rowe budget within our means.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Wilson,
Chair, Finance Committee

PLANNING BOARD 2016

Planning Board organization

In the May annual election, David Roberson was re-elected to a five-year term. The board then elected David Roberson to serve as Chairman and representative to the Franklin Regional Planning Board, and elected Douglas Wilson as Secretary (or Clerk, informally titled Scribe). The board voted to reaffirm the duties of the Secretary to include acting as editor of the *Goal Post*, under the same conditions and for the same compensation as agreed in the previous year. The Planning Board was advised and represented by Greenfield attorney Donna MacNicol, who is also Town Counsel.

In June, member Robert Dykeman announced that he would be resigning, and Bob was thanked for his many years of service. Resident Daniel Burke expressed an interest in serving on the board, and Dan was subsequently appointed jointly by the Planning Board and Board of Selectmen to fill the open position until the election in spring.

Permitting

In February, the Planning Board and Rowe Tree Warden Lance Larned held a joint public hearing concerning the removal of a large and deteriorating ash tree within the town right-of-way that was threatening a resident's property, as well as several distressed trees which the Park Department wished to remove at the parking/picnic area near the causeway at Pelham Lake ("Percy's Point"). Permission was granted for the tree removal.

Later in the year, a request was made by Lewis Tree Service acting on behalf of National Grid to remove a number of public trees near the bottom of Monroe Hill Road. The board requested that National Grid apply directly to the Planning Board and Tree Warden prior to scheduling a public hearing, but the request for tree removal was subsequently withdrawn.

In May, the board held a public hearing on a Special Permit request by U. U. Rowe Camp and Conference Center to use a property on Zoar Road for short-term rentals. After deliberation, and with no opposition from abutters or others, the Planning Board voted unanimously to approve the permit.

In December, applications were received for Special Permits from Deborah Katz and from Jean-Claude van Itallie, both residents of Davenport Road, for short-term rentals. Public hearings were to be scheduled for early 2017.

In November, Henry J. Dandeneau requested endorsement of a new lot division as "Approval Not Required" (ANR). The board endorsed the documents.

Planning and Zoning

The board continued its in-depth review of Rowe's zoning bylaws, and is working diligently to create a comprehensive set of clear and legally defensible bylaws to protect Rowe's amenities and preserve and enhance property values and the quality of life of all residents. When complete, the Planning Board's recommendations will be thoroughly discussed at a public hearing prior to being presented to Town Meeting voters, where they must receive a super-majority of support to be adopted, and finally to the Massachusetts Attorney General for approval. This work continues in 2017.

Respectfully submitted by David Roberson, for the Planning Board,

David Roberson, Chairman

Doug Wilson, Scribe Jodi Brown Dan Burke Robin Reed

TOWN CLERK – APPOINTEES SWORN TO DUTY / RESIGNATIONS 2016

Administrative Assistant

Sandra P. Daviau

Agent for Veterans

Brian Brooks – Veterans Service Officer

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
Robert Clancy
Virginia Gabert
Ramon Sanchez

Constable

Sandra P. Daviau

Council on Aging

Marilyn Belval
Jo-ann M. Brown
Sandra P. Daviau
Doris Fensky
Christine A. Tower
Florence Veber
Shirley Veber

Cultural Council

Anne Besgen
Joann Brown
Laurie Pike
Paulette Rocci
BJ Roche

DPW Superintendent

Lance Larned

Election Tellers / Workers

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
Resigned 8/11/16

Energy Committee

Deborah Katz
Michael Phillips
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

Jodi Brown

**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

Robin Reed

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

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

Zoning Board of Appeals

Henry Dandeneau

Russ Jolly

Gail May

Marilyn Wilson



Florence Bjork celebrated her 100th birthday
November 17, 2016

TOWN CLERK – LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS 2016

	Term
Board of Assessors Heidi Cousineau	2019
Board of Health David Cousineau	2017
Board of Selectmen Dennis May	2019
Cemetery Commission Jim Williams	2019
Finance Committee Wayne Zavotka	2019
Joanne Semanie*	2017
Finance Committee Loretta Dionne	2018
Library Trustee Karen Soviecke	2019
Park Commissioner Michael Phillips	2019
Planning Board David Roberson	2021
School Committee Ellen Miller	2019
School Committee Janet Cowie	2018

* was appointed by the Board of Selectmen to fill the Finance Committee seat until Annual Town Election May 2017

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION RESULTS 2016

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Saturday, May 14, 2016

128 Voted/ 277 Total Registered Voters

Warden: Robin Reed
Clerk: Marjorie Morse
Election Workers: Shirley Veber, Christine Tower, Ashton Morse, Brianna Demech,
Ramon Sanchez, Jodi Brown, Myra Carlow
Constable: Robert Dykeman
Town Clerk: Jennifer Morse

BOARD OF ASSESSORS (3 YEARS)

Heidi Cousineau	88
Blanks	32
All Others	8

BOARD OF HEALTH (3 YEARS)

David Cousineau	80
Blanks	27
All Others	3
Maggie Rice (WI)	12
Rachel Holbrook (WI)	6

BOARD OF SELECTMEN (3 YEARS)

Dennis May	82
John H. Williams	45
All Others	1

CEMETERY COMMISSION (3 YEARS)

Blanks	91
James Williams (WI)	25
All Others	12

FINANCE COMMITTEE (3 YEARS)

Wayne Zavotka	101
Blanks	27

FINANCE COMMITTEE (2 YEARS)

Loretta Dionne	87
Blanks	33
All Others	8

LIBRARY TRUSTEE (3 YEARS)

Karen Soviecke	107
Blanks	21

PARK COMMISSIONER (3 YEARS)

Michael Phillips	89
Blanks	24
All Others	2
Bruce Cowie (WI)	13

PLANNING BOARD (5 YEARS)

David Roberson	85
Blanks	32
All Others	11

SCHOOL COMMITTEE (3 YEARS)

Ellen Miller	69
Blanks	46
All Others	13

SCHOOL COMMITTEE (2 YEARS)

Blanks	75
Janet Cowie	38
All Others	15

MODERATOR (3 YEARS)

Robert J. Clancy	96
Blanks	23
Henry Dandeneau (WI)	9

TAX COLLECTOR (3 YEARS)

Sandra Daviau	109
Blanks	19

Results Submitted By:**Jennifer Morse****Town Clerk****May 14, 2016****A true copy, Attest:****Date: May 14, 2016**

Jennifer Morse Rowe Town Clerk**(WI) = Write In**

TOWN CLERK – DOG LICENSES 2016

TOWN OF ROWE

DOGS LICENSED 2016

License Expires March 31, 2017

							2016
OWNERS NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE #	DOGS NAME	SEX	BREED	COLOR	Tag #
Ellen B. Miller	160 Hazelton Road	339-5746	Toby	M	Beagle Mix	Tri-Color	31
Chris Brown	110 County Road	339-5521	Toby	NM	German Shepherd	Black	88
Jeanette & Howard Crowningshield	106 Zoar Road	339-4406	Sadie	SF	Chihuahua	Brown/White	18
Deb Lively	4 Stone Hill Road	339-4943	Red	F	Red Heeler	Red	7
Jim Lively	4 Stone Hill Road	339-4943	Chief	M	Aust. Shepherd	Brown/White	8
Earl Carlow	42 Ford Hill Road	339-8535	Bruno	NM	Boxer/Lab	Black	33
Henry Dandeneau	272 Zoar Road	339-4295	Kate	F	Brittany Spaniel	White/Orange	49
Jim Williams & Kris Swenson	106 Middletown Hill Rd	339-4949	Miss T	SF	Shepherd Mix	Yellow/White	89
Sandy Daviau	17 Potter Road	339-8343	Shakira	SF	Chihuahua	Tri-color	27
Sandy Daviau	17 Potter Road	339-8343	Gabby	SF	Mini Poodle	Cream/Buff	28
Christine Tower	234 Zoar Road	339-4736	Emma	SF	Pug	Fawn	24
Loretta Dionne	21 Hazelton Road	339-5326	Peebles	SF	Shih Tzu Mix	White/Black	35
Loretta Dionne	21 Hazelton Road	339-5326	Chara	M	Mixed Breed	Black/Tan	34
Deb & Steve Crowningshield	450 Tunnel Road	337-5561	Charley	SF	Choc Lab	Chocolate	10
Jenna & Matt Crowningshield	16 Newell Cross Road	337-5566	Dozer	M	Chihuahua	White/Black/Brown	80
Jenna & Matt Crowningshield	16 Newell Cross Road	337-5566	Diesel	M	Black Silver Lab	Black/Silver	79
Jenna & Matt Crowningshield	16 Newell Cross Road	337-5566	Pepper	NM	Dalmatian	White w/Brown Spots	80
Kathy Sprague	242 Ford Hill Road	339-4936	Pheobe	SF	Choc Lab	Chocolate	58
Kathy Sprague	242 Ford Hill Road	339-4936	Kody	M	Choc Lab	Chocolate	57
Kathy Sprague	242 Ford Hill Road	339-4936	Piper	F	Lab/Retriever	Chocolate	59
Brittani Sprague	40 Shippee Road	339-4762	Moose	M	Chocolate Lab	Chocolate	61
Brittani Sprague	40 Shippee Road	339-4762	Altan	F	Chocolate Lab	Chocolate	62
Brian & Laurie Ash	6 Pine Hill Drive	339-0267	Kramer	NM	Retriever/Labrador	Black	74
Linda Avery	276 Zoar Road	339-4997	Gizzy	F	Collie Mix	Brown/Black	71
Linda Avery	276 Zoar Road	339-4997	Bud D Bear	M	Datsun/York Mix	Beige	72
Leonda Hardison	22 Tunnel Road	664-1032	Ivy	SF	Lab	Yellow	11
Laura Roberson	539 Tunnel Road		Meadow	SF	Malinois	Black/Tan	53
Laura Roberson	539 Tunnel Road		Honey	SF	Belgian Malinois Mix	Fawn w/Black Face	54
Brandon & Jenn Morse Sprague	162 Zoar Road	339-4945	Lilly	SF	Chocolate Lab	Chocolate	70
Brandon & Jenn Morse Sprague	162 Zoar Road	339-4945	Daisy	F	Siberian Husky	White/Black	29
Sean & Leann Loomis	63 Middletown Hill Rd	339-8573	Parker	SF	Golden Lab Mix	Golden	90
Sean & Leann Loomis	63 Middletown Hill Rd	339-8573	Dexter	NM	Mixed Breed	Black	91
Robert & Karen Markert	377 Tunnel Road	337-4268	Shatzi	SF	Great Pyrennes	Cream	55
Robert & Karen Markert	377 Tunnel Road	337-4268	Zeus	M	Great Pyrennes	White and Black	56
Ellynn and Jack Packard	47 Stone Hill Road	337-4868	Bonnie	SF	Maltese	White and Black	17
Walter and Kelle Quist	4 Ford Hill Road	339-4718	Teddy	NM	Schipperke	Black	12
M. Arlene Andognini	163 Hazelton Road	339-8802	Misha	M	Terrier	Black/Tan	13
Virginia Gary	141 Cyrus Stage Road	339-4399	Cocoa	SF	Peke Mix	Buff	82
Virginia Gary	141 Cyrus Stage Road	339-4399	Snoopy	M	Boston Terr Mix	Black and White	83
Robert & Carrie Silva	123 Davis Mine Road	339-4249	Camo	M	Choc Lab Retriever	Chocolate (Brown)	36
Pete Brown	16 Shumway Road	339-4707	Shiloh	M	Beagle Mix	Tri-Color	16
Marilyn Wilson	37 Potter Road	337-5306	Cassie	SF	Bichon Frise	White	76
Marilyn Wilson	37 Potter Road	339-5713	Tommy	M	Bichon Frise	White	77

Stanley Zielonka	48 Old Cyrus Stage Road	339-5359	Lollipop	SF	Poodle, Miniature	Apricot	6
Jen Rice	85 Ford Hill Road	339-6625	Milo	M	Great Dane	Black	39
Jen Rice	85 Ford Hill Road	339-6625	Otis	M	Great Dane	Black	38
Mike & Laurie Laffond	208 Hazelton Road	337-4869	Cam	NM	Golden Retriever	Yellow	45
Mike & Laurie Laffond	208 Hazelton Road	337-4869	Daisy	SF	Yorkshire Terrier	Black/Brown	46
Dan & Claudine Poplawski	37 Shippee Road	337-4349	Shadow	SF	Lab/Retriever	Black	14
Deb Katz	80 Davenport Road	339-4374	Feathers	NM	Mixed Breed	Black	64
Rebecca Katz	80 Davenport Road	339-4374	Cooper	M	Maltese Pom. Mix	White	74
Deb Katz	80 Davenport Road	339-4374	Juno	NM	Great Pyrenes	White	73
Ken and Doris Fensky	93 Brittingham Hill Rd	337-4829	Daisey Mae	SF	Border Collie	Black/White	19
Kevin & Willian Parent	39 Stone Hill Road	339-4093	Lefty	SF	Beagle Mix	Black/Brown	4
Sharon Hudson	15 Newell Cross Road	339-4214	Stella	SF	Shih Tzu	Liver & Red	3
Paul and Leslie McLatchy	17 Newell Cross Road	339-6667	Rylee	SF	Lab/Bull Mastiff	Black/White	40
Kerri McLatchy	17 Newell Cross Road	339-6667	Tucker	M	Chocolate Lab	Chocolate	41
Lance & Danielle Larned	26 Newell Cross Road	339-4461	Ellie	SF	Australian Shepard	Blue Merle	23
Ken & Julie Shippee	Newell Cross Road	339-4382	Chevy	SF	Lab Mix	Yellow	97
Wayne and Susie Zavotka	505 Tunnel Road	339-0135	Sweet Annie	SF	Lab Retriever	Black	30/87
Robert Clancy/Lisa Miller	12 County Branch Road	339-9918	Scout	NM	Dalmatian Mix	Black/White	6
Jeff and Maggie Parent	32 Shippee Road	339-5714	Bailey	SF	Black Lab	Black	48
Jeff and Maggie Parent	32 Shippee Road	339-5714	Destiny	SF	Chocolate Lab	Chocolate	47
Sue Wood	19 Stone Road	339-4446	Tessie	SF	Beagle Mix (Rescue)	Tri-Color	15
Heidi Cousineau	30 Old Cyrus Stage Rd	339-8587	Kodei	SF	Shiba Innu	Black/Tan	66
Heidi Cousineau	30 Old Cyrus Stage Rd	339-8587	Kasey	M	Shiba Innu	Red/White	67
Heidi Cousineau	30 Old Cyrus Stage Rd	339-8587	Mollie	SF	Shiba Innu	Black/Tan	68
Buster Reed	48 Hazelton Road	339-4752	Lucy	SF	Siberian Husky	Cinnamon/White	20
Buster Reed	48 Hazelton Road	339-4752	Meko	NM	Siberian Husky	Black/White	21
Mary Paige	23 Newell Cross Road	339-5510	Burrito	NM	Chihuahua	Black/Brown	92
Robin Reed	48 Hazelton Road	339-4752	Benji	NM	Shih Tzu Mix	Gray	51
Dennis & Anna Humbert	530 Tunnel Road	339-4757	Bandit	NM	Malti-Tzu	Tri-Color	26
Dennis & Anna Humbert	530 Tunnel Road	339-4757	Bella	SF	Lab	Black	25
Brian and Andrea Crowningshield	245 Zoar Road	339-0149	Duke	M	Husky Mix	Black	93
Brian and Andrea Crowningshield	245 Zoar Road	339-0149	Lily	F	Chihuahua	Tan	94
Brian and Andrea Crowningshield	245 Zoar Road	339-0149	Izzy	F	Great Pyrenees		95
Susan Williams	7 Middletown Hill Rd	339-6647	Sybil	SF	Mixed Breed	Tan	52
Jon & Carol Lively	11 Petrie Road	339-0252	Skittles	SF	Lab Mix	Red/Brown	32
Joanne Semanie	59 Middletown Hill Rd	339-6667	Chester	NM	Lab Mix	Black/White	50
Dan Wessman/BJ Roche	37 Davenport Road	339-4886	Yula	SF	English Shepard	Black/White	60
Reed Brown	42 Old Cyrus Stage Rd	339-5567	Reggie	SF	Golden Retriever	Golden	2
Kristen Johnson	24 Brittingham Hill Rd	337-4337	Hudson Shredder Bernard	NM	Brittany	Orange/White	1
Addy Macias	163 Hazelton Road - A	337-5324	Jen-Jen Murphy Gregory	NM	Daschund Mix	Blonde	44
Addy Macias	163 Hazelton Road - A	337-5324		SF	Chow Chow	Black	43
Addy Macias	163 Hazelton Road - A	337-5324		NM	Basenji	White/Apricot	42
Joe Thane	32 Davenport Branch Road	824-2526	Milo	M	Chocolate Lab	Chocolate	69
Ramon Sanchez & Barbara Gottesman	182 Ford Hill Road	339-4836	Maya Chica	F	Port. Poodle Australian Blue Heeler	Black	86
Rebecca Bradley	51 Middletown Hill Rd	339-0107	Jolie	SF		Blue Merle	85
Oral and Darlene Jackson	88 Hazelton Road	339-8607	Cody	NM	German Shepard	Black/Red	84
Michael & Regina Phillips	62 Pond Road	339-8347	Nick	NM	Cav. King Charles Chocolate	Red/White	83
Laurie Pike	25 Middletown Hill Rd	339-4232	Calusa	SF	Lab/Dalmatian	Brown/White	37

PROSPECTIVE JUROR LIST 2016

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, Timothy J 42 LESHURE RD M
BOUCHER, Elaine BOX 295 F
BOUTWELL, Joyce A 7 POTTER RD F RETIRED
BOUTWELL, Rebecca S 7 POTTER RD F RETAIL MNGMNT
BOUTWELL-SWOPE, Krista R 32 DAVENPORT BRANCH RD CNA
BOYD, Ian M 5 STONE RD M COOK
BRADLEY, Michael F 51 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD M HEARING TESTER
BRADLEY, Rebecca P 51 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD F B&B OWNER
BROWN, Reed E 27 NEWELL CROSS RD M
BROWN, Skyler M 141 CYRUS STAGE RD M STUDENT
BRYANT, Lisa A 11 HAZELTON RD F HOUSEKEEPING/M
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
COULOMBE, Dean R 39 STONE HILL RD M TREE SERVICE
COUSINEAU, David A 30 OLD CYRUS STAGE ROAD M NUCLEAR SECURITY
COUSINEAU, Heidi PO BOX 302 F ACCT/BOOKKEEPER
COWIE, Janet L 487 TUNNEL RD F DIRECTOR
CROCKWELL, Kendra M 14 TUNNEL RD F MTRHS
CROWNSHIELD, Debra A 450 TUNNEL RD F OFFICE MANAGER
CROWNSHIELD, Jeanette 106 ZOAR RD F HOMEMAKER
CROWNSHIELD, Jenna M 16 NEWELL CROSS RD F PCA
CROWNSHIELD, Matthew R 16 NEWELL CROSS RD M ROWEHWYCREW
CROWNSHIELD, Steven R 450 TUNNEL RD M CARPENTER
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
DEMECH, Brianna E 162 ZOAR RD F FCTS
DENOUDEN, Nicole 34 STONE HILL RD F MANAGER
DONOVAN, Sandra A 100 ZOAR RD M STUDIO MANAGER
DUNNELL, Dale W 137 LESHURE RD F SELF EMPLOYED
DUNNELL, Paul P 137 LESHURE RD M SELF-EMPLOYED
DVORE, David 75 POTTER RD M COMPUTER SERVICE
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
FENSKY, Kenneth G 93 BRITTINGHAM HILL RD M
FLAGG, Donna J 245 LESURE RD F HOMEMAKER
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
GLEASON, Susan P PO BOX 307 F RETIRED

GOTTESMAN, Barbara A PO BOX 470 F
HAMILTON, Richard A 34 STONE HILL RD M
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
HOBBS, Geneva E 23 NEWELL CROSS RD F MOHAWK
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
HUDSON, Sharon 15 NEWELL CROSS RD M ENGRG ASSISTANT
HUMBERT, Anna J 34 FRANKLIN STREET F 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, Darlene A 88 HAZELTON RD F PELICAN
JACKSON, Lisa M 88 HAZELTON RD F TEACHER
JACKSON, Oral L 88 HAZELTON RD M MECHANIC
JOLLY, Morghan W 19 STONE RD M FREE LANCE
JOLLY, Russell W 19 STONE RD M CONSULTANT
KATZ, Deborah B BOX 3023 F
KEPPLER, David J 145 LESHURE E RDESTERDE M COMPTN PROGRAM
KICHOROWSKY, Roman G 78 HAZELTON RD
KINDLE, Crystal L 276 ZOAR RD F SELF EMPLOYED
LAFFOND, Cynthia M 205 HAZELTON RD F RETIRED
LAFFOND, Laurie L 208 HAZELTON RD F SECRETARY
LAFFOND, Michael S 208 HAZELTON RD M AIRCRFT MECH.
LAFFOND, Spencer M 208 HAZELTON RD M MOHAWK
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 HIGHWAY SUPER
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, Leann Z 63 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD F DIR. PUPIL SERV.
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
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, 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 JR, Paul 17 NEWELL CROSS RD M UNEMPLOYED
MCLATCHY, Lesley K 17 NEWELL CROSS RD F HOMEMAKER
MILLER, Clayton C 160 HAZELTON RD M WELDER
MILLER, Daniel J PO BOX 417 M OPERARTOR
MILLER, Ellen B 160 HAZELTON RD F TREASURER
MILLER, Lisa L 12 COUNTY BRANCH RD F NURSE/PRACTITIONER
MORSE, Ashton P 162 ZOAR RD F CUSTOMER SVC
MORSE, Jennifer A PO BOX 295 F TOWN CLERK
MORSE, Marjorie H 60 SHIPPEE RD F RETIRED
NICHOLS, Robin 58 TATRO RD F BAKER
PAIGE, Eric S 23 NEWELL CROSS RD M GCC

PAIGE, Mary E 23 NEWELL CROSS RD M F CNA/HOMEMAKER
PALMER, Edwin A 6 PALMER RD M MECHANIC
PARENT, Jeffrey E 32 SHIPPEE RD M UPS DRIVER
PARENT, Kevin M 39 STONE HILL RD M ASPLUNDH
PARENT, Margaret G 32 SHIPPEE RD F HOMEMAKER
PARENT, Willian M 39 STONE HILL ESTERDE F HR MANAGER
PHELPS, Abigail M 36 PETRIE RD F OUTDOOR REC.
PICKETT, Felicity BOX 273 F DIRECTOR
POEHLEIN, David G BX 17 M RETAIL MNGR
POPLAWSKI, Claudine M 37 SHIPPEE RD F SP ED TEACHER
POPLAWSKI, Daniel P 37 SHIPPEE RD M ARBELLA INS.
QUIST, Kelle J 4 FORD HILL RD F RETIRED
REARDON, Mary A J 146 CYRUS STAGE RD F HOUSEWIFE
REARDON, Tiffany J 146 CYRUS STAGE RD F STUDENT
REARDON, William N 146 CYRUS STAGE RD M VERMONT YANKEE
REED, Lockwood L 48 HAZELTON RD M US NAVY
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, Jameson T 85 FORD HILL RD M MOHAWK
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 27 NEWELL CROSS RD F STUDENT
RICHARDSON, Rebecca F 27 NEWELL CROSS RD F ELMSTEACHER
ROBERSON, David A 539 TUNNEL RD M BUSINESS PERSON
ROBERSON, Laura S 539 TUNNEL RD F BUSINESS PERSON
ROCCIO, Paulette A 10 KINGS HWY F FACILITIES MGR
ROCHE, Barbara J P O BOX 34 F JOURNALIST
ROSSI, Martha 72 BRITTINGHAM HILL RD F HOMEMAKER
RUHL, Steven W 3 KINGS HWY M
SAMUELSON, ARTHUR H 68 ZOAR RD M
SANCHEZ, Ramon L 182 FORD HILL RD M
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 ROWE HIGHWAY
SHIPPEE, Kyle K 21 NEWELL CROSS RD M CONSTRUCTION
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, Kevin D 242 FORD HILL RD M RETAIL
STETSON, Charles A 29 POTTER RD M RETIRED
STETSON, Cynthia L 29 POTTER RD F SUB. TEACHER
STRULES, Jennifer E 145 LESHURE RD F WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST
STURGIS, Laura V 163 HAZELTON RD F
SULLIVAN, Jonathan L 20 NEWELL CROSS RD M MACHINE MECHANIC
SUTHERLAND, Jennie R 202 LESHURE RD F ACTIVITY DIRECTOR
SUTHERLAND, Wendy S 202 LESHURE RD F RN
SWENSON, Kristen C 106 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD F ADMNST ASSTN
VANHORNE, Guinevere A 1 PELHAM DR F STUDENT

VEBER, Mary 292 ZOAR RD F MEAT WRAPPER
VEBER, Presley 3 PINE HILL DR M SERVICE STATION
VEBER, Samantha L 294 ZOAR RD F SKI INDUSTRY
VEBER, Terry 294 ZOAR RD M VP/RICE OIL
VEBER, Tiffany R PO BOX 275 F POST OFFICE
VEGA, Richard 14 POTTER ROAD M
WEISS, Cynthia 19 FORD HILL RD F
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
WHITE, Susan M 65 POTTER RD M TEACHER
WILLIAMS, Albert R 58 TATRO RD M LABORER
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, Marilyn 37 POTTER RD F RETIRED
WILSON, Raymond 37 POTTER RD M RETIRED
WOOD, Susan C 19 STONE RD 01367 F MEDIATOR
ZAVOTKA, Susan L 505 TUNNEL RD F RETIRED
ZAVOTKA, Wayne A 505 TUNNEL RD M RETIRED



Police Chief Julie Shippee



School Committee Chair Susan Zavotka speaks at Town Meeting
Photographs by Janice Boudreau

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK – VITAL STATISTICS & PERMITS – 2016

BIRTHS

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

Emmytt Thomas Crowningshield

Born: June 25, 2016

Parents: Matthew & Jenna Crowningshield

MARRIAGES & INTENTIONS OF MARRIAGE

Eoin Becan Gaj

Arolyn Anne Williams

Intention Filed: June 13, 2016

Date of Marriage: June 18, 2016

BUSINESS CERTIFICATES

Stepping Stone Farm

Mary Jo Williams

36 Petri Road

Rowe, MA 01367

Expires: December 31, 2020

DEATHS

Dorothy M. Kalaus

Date of Birth - November 25, 1928

Date of Death – January 7, 2016

James E. Pike (Resident – Monroe)

Date of Birth – June 20, 1952

Date of Death – February 7, 2016

Richard Elmer Alix

Date of Birth - March 26, 1931

Date of Death – March 19, 2016

Barbara Grogan

Date of Birth - January 7, 1943

Date of Death – September 22, 2016

Ian Vernes

Date of Birth - February 28, 1932

Date of Death – October 10, 2016

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS 2016

No applications for a zoning variance came before the Rowe Zoning Board of Appeals in 2016.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marilyn Wilson

Bob Dykeman

Gail May

Russ Jolly



Rowe Fire Department

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ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER 2016

I returned two lost dogs this year to their owners. Responded to a resident's complaint about a neighbor's dog who she was afraid of. Responded to a complaint from a resident that her neighbor's dog was often in the street and advised the neighbor not to allow her dog to run free and risk being run down, I responded to a report of a possibly rabid fox and investigated the sudden appearance of four billy goats in town and referred the case to the ACO in Charlemont, where they came from.

I attended a state-mandated two day Massachusetts Animal Fund Animal Control Officer Core Competency training in Springfield and passed the qualifying test. I also attended a meeting of regional animal control officers in Greenfield

Arthur H. Samuelson
Animal Control Officer- Assistant

BOARD OF HEALTH 2016

David Cousineau was re-elected this year but declined to accept the position citing a too busy work schedule. Maggie Rice who received the most write-in votes accepted the seat. Maggie who is a long time resident of Rowe and served as a member of the Rowe School Committee has been a welcome addition to the board. Jennifer Morse resigned her seat from the board in June and David Cousineau agreed to fill the vacancy. We thank Jennifer for her years of dedicated service to the BOH and welcome David back to the Board. Marcella Stafford Gore was re-appointed as Clerk. Marcella resigned as clerk in December. Marcella worked with the board for 6 years and will be missed. We welcome our new clerk Rowe native Joanne Semanie.

Board of Health Agent

Lisa Danek Burke resigned from her position June 30th. For many years the BOH depended on Lisa to accompany them on inspections and assist with most Title V issues. Her expertise is so appreciated by the board and will be greatly missed. We thank Lisa for working with us and we wish her well.

FRCOG

In August the board joined the FRCOG Cooperative Public Health Service. The board met with the program Health Agent Glen Ayers and Director of Community Services Phoebe Walker. This program offers a health agent who will assist in all inspections, housing issues as well as Title V matters. This program requires that all permitting be done online and approved permits will be issued by the health agent. This programs mandates a board member attend monthly meetings and Maggie Rice was unanimously appointed representative for Rowe. We look forward to working with the CPHS and if permits are needed you can go to FRCOG.com or call Glen Ayers at 774-1367 x106 and as always you can reach our clerk at the BOH office.

Title V

The board reviewed all building permit applications submitted for review by the building inspector 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. Edwin (Ted) Palmer resigned his attendant position in August. We enjoyed working with Ted over the years and we were sorry to see him go. Rowe resident, Kevin Sprague was hired as an attendant and is fitting in nicely. The Vehicle Sticker Program continues. 2016 stickers were mailed to all residents and classified home owners. All residents/property owners are required to place a sticker on their vehicle so that they will be easily identified by the attendants. The board thanks Jan Ameen 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. This year we repaired the gate at a cost of \$5,520.00 and replaced the 30year old compactor at a cost of \$14,008.00.

A washout occurred at the slope that leads to the creek. Because the transfer station sits atop an old landfill the DEP was notified and guidelines were issued. The board worked with the Rowe Conservation Commission, DEP and the Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program to remedy the problem. We hired Trinity Engineering & Technical Services (Stamford VT) to engineer the mandated plans for a permanent solution to the drainage issues that caused the washout. The Trinity Engineering plans were accepted by all agencies; engineering cost \$5,200.00. Tom Danek of Danek Excavating was hired for the project. At the time of this report the slope has been repaired but the project will not be completed until Spring 2017. Cost expended thus far: \$56,335.00



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Remediation Work at the Transfer Station

Recycling

Even though reports show improvement, Rowe continues to be ranked at the bottom of the list of the FCSWMD nineteen towns for the expected amount of recycling for our population. Earnings from recycling are added to the Revolving Account that is voted on yearly at the Annual Town Meeting. These funds can be used for the implementation of recycling programs, to promote recycling, FCSWMD invoices, membership fees and to offset part of our annual assessment for membership in the FCSWMD. We used money from this fund to purchase and donate a bear proof trash receptacle for Pelham Lake Park this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Morse, Chair
David Cousineau
Joann Brown

BOARD OF HEALTH INSPECTIONS & PERMITS 2016

PERMITS ISSUED 2016

Septic Hauler/Pumper:

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

Installer's Permit:

Danek Excavating
James Williams
Barkus Excavating

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 (2)

Children Camps Permits:

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

Beach Permit:

Pelham Lake –5/15 to 9/15/2016

TITLE V ACTIVITY 2016

Title 5 Inspections:

14 Brittingham Hill (Kalaus)	Failed
58 Pond Rd. (Decker)	Passed
244 Zoar Rd (Vadeboncoeur)	Failed
45 Dell Rd (Wayne)	Passed

Title 5 Soil Evaluation/Percolation Tests 2014

14 Brittingham Hill Rd (Kalaus)	Passed
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Title 5 Disposal System Construction Permit

Yankee Rowe

244 Zoar Rd (Vadeboncoeur)

14 Brittingham Hill (Kalaus)

100 Leshure Rd Dandeneau

Repair/Replacement

Repair/Replacement

Repair/Replacement

Repair/Replacement

Septic System Installation Final Inspection

Yankee Rowe

244 Zoar Rd (Willis/Vadeboncoeur)

14 Brittingham Hill (Kalaus)

Septic Pumping Records 2014 (All systems rated okay/good unless otherwise specified)

14 Brittingham Hill Rd

37 Davenport Branch Rd

63 Middletown Rd

12 County Rd

163 Ford Hill Rd

78 Hazelton Road

160 Hazelton Rd

35 Newell Cross Road

26 Newell Cross Rd

Pelham Lake (composting toilet)

50 Pond Rd

43 Potter Road

37 Steele Brooke Road

288 Zoar Road

272 Zoar Road

10 Kings Hwy (RC&CC farmhouse)

10 Kings Hwy (RC&CC main house)

10 Kings Hwy (RC&CC rec hall)

37 Brittingham Hill

51 Middletown Hill Rd

71 Cross Rd

146 Ford Hill Rd

85 Ford Hill Rd

205 Hazelton Road

198 Hazelton Rd

27 Newell Cross Road

18 Old Cyrus Stage Road

58 Pond Road

75 Potter Road

60 Shippee Road

505 Tunnel Road

218 Zoar Road

244 Zoar Rd

10 Kings Hwy (RC&CC cabin area)

10 Kings Hwy (RC&CC bath house)

BOARD OF HEALTH – TOWN NURSE 2016

2016 has been another busy year for the Rowe Health Services Office. A total of 1,387 patient encounters occurred, representing an average of 115 contacts each month. In addition to office visits, occasional house calls, and telephone consultations, Rowe Health Services continues to offer wellness checks, health counseling, nursing assessment, triage, 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.

We provided a total of 165 influenza vaccinations in 2016; mostly from Town-purchased vaccine as the Massachusetts Department of Public Health only made vaccine available for children regardless of insurance status.

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 would dispense emergency medications or antidotes to Rowe residents when necessary from the National Stockpile

in response to public health threats. The EDS emergency response network is tested annually by a community-wide influenza clinic and drill. This year the clinic was held at Hawlemont Elementary School on October 29th with participation 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 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,



Sheila M. Litchfield RN, BSN, FAAOHN

COOPERATIVE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACTIVITIES IN ROWE 2016

As of July 1, the Town became a comprehensive member of the CPHS, a health district based at the Franklin Regional Council of Governments. Through the CPHS, eleven towns share two health agents and a regional public health nurse. CPHS services to Rowe during 2016 included:

- CPHS staff assisted with implementation of a digital on-line permitting program for residents and contractors. This can be found at <http://frcog.org/inspections-permits/health/>.
- The Regional Health Agent was responsible for Title-5 (septic) related activities after July 1, including witnessing 2 Soil Evaluations for on-lot septic systems, reviewing septic system plans, issuing Local Upgrade Approvals and DSCP (septic) permits, completing final inspections or re-inspections of septic system installations, and preparing Certificates of Compliance.
- Through a FDA Food Safety Grant that will improve food inspection and data collection, the district offered residents low-cost access to important food safety training on ServeSafe, Choke Saver, and Allergans. Two Rowe residents took the training.
- The Regional Health Agent conducted 7 retail food inspections and one B&B inspection.
- Rowe residents were offered access to low-cost tick tests for Lyme and other pathogens through www.tickreport.com.
- The Regional Health Agent responded to requests for program and regulatory information from Town Officials.
- The Regional Public Health Nurse assisted the town nurse to provide a flu clinic for Rowe seniors.
- The Regional Health Agent completed 1 Summer Camp inspection and conducted 1 re-housing inspection.
- The Regional Health Agent collected landfill monitoring samples at the Refuse Garden on behalf of the Board of Health.
- The Regional Public Health Nurse offered medication and chronic disease self-management services to residents, holding regular hours for all district residents in five community sites. The nurse is also available for home visits for those who need this service.

- The Regional Public Health Nurse provided services to attendees of monthly “Good Neighbors” food distribution at Charlemont Federated Church where 24 area residents made 58 visits with the nurse for health screening services and assistance with self-management of chronic illness.
- At regularly scheduled clinics and wellness events, the Regional Public Health Nurse provided district member town residents with reference materials and health self-management supplies such as medication schedules, pill sorters, personal health records and Files of Life.
- The Regional Public Health Nurse offered mercury thermometer collection and exchange and sharps disposal and container exchange in collaboration with the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District: 100 sharps containers and 8 thermometers were exchanged.
- The Regional Public Health Nurse 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 41 area residents were served with the help of GCC nursing students and community volunteers.

Rowe’s representative to the CPHS Oversight Board is Maggie Rice, Board of Health member.

For more information: www.frcog.org

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES 2016

No Report Submitted

FIRE DEPARTMENT 2016

In 2016 the Rowe Volunteer Fire Department Responded to:

- 25 Medical Calls
- 7 Fire Alarms
- 3 Wires Down/Trees
- 3 Medical Mutual Aid to Monroe
- 5 Motor Vehicle Accident
- 2 Camp Fires
- 2 Smoke Investigations
- 3 Mutual Aid to Charlemont (1- Search & Rescue, 2- Station Coverage)

Training continues to be at the top of the list of achievements in 2016. The Rowe Fire Department members completed and attended the following trainings. Live Burns in Hawley and Buckland, drive training in Colrain, fire fighter down training, Massachusetts Fire Academy impact classes, vehicle extrication in Charlemont, car fire and extrication training in Colrain, and burn simulation training in Heath. All of these do not include the regular training sessions and inspections of all equipment at our own station.

The Fire Department continues to work closely with our mutual aid towns of Charlemont, Heath, Hawley, Ashfield, Buckland, Readsboro and Florida.

In 2016 the Department represented Rowe at several local celebrations including the Readsboro 4th of July parade, Shelburne Falls 4th of July Parade, Heath Fair Parade and Whittingham Old Home Days. The Department attended the September 11th Greenfield Fair Emergency Services Parade, remembering the 15th anniversary of 9/11. The Department hosted an Emergency Vehicle Rally for the Rowe Old Home Day which was attended by more than 10 departments showing the ability of their trucks.

In 2016 the Fire Department purchased a Hazardous Waste/Scene Trailer, Rescue 1, Utility Trailer (Pump), New Portable Radios and LUCAS device. The Chief attends monthly meetings of the Franklin County Fire Chiefs, Western MA Forest Wardens.

In late 2015 North Adams Ambulance Service became our medical services provider. They continue to support the residents in Town by providing professional ambulance services and also support the Fire Department with medical training, supplies and forms. In the summer Christopher Hyytinen resigned from his role as Emergency Medical Coordinator. North Adams Ambulance and Josh Little (EMT) provided additional trainings and medical management support.

2016 Rowe Volunteer Fire Fighters and Emergency Medical Responders

Chief Brandon Sprague, Chuck Fisher, Steven Fisher, Kerri McLatchy, Jennifer Morse, William Parent *, Kevin Parent *, Ashton Morse, Gary Singley, Jeffery Simmons, Captain Gary Singley, Daniel Burke, Steven Beagle *, Jason Beagle *, Buster Reed (Support), Julie Shippee (EMR), Henry Dandeneau (EMR), Christopher Selmi Hyytinen * Josh Little.

*Resigned in 2016.

EMR - Emergency Medical Responder



Rowe Fire Dept. provided tanker water support



Chief Sprague
Flushing the engine

FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS FRANKLIN COUNTY COOPERATIVE BUILDING INSPECTION PROGRAM 2016

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 forty-one 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.

2016 was a busy year, permit wise, for the program. We issued 2,773 permits, including a significant number of insulation upgrade, solar array and wood/pellet stove permits. The number of permits was higher in 2016 than in the previous year, the fees collected were also slightly higher. A total of 26 new dwelling units were constructed in our 15 member towns.

Our new online permitting program went live on July 1, 2011 and has issued 13,508 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 4,080 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 2016, the FCCIP processed the following permits for Rowe:

Residential Building Permits	21
Commercial Building Permits	6
Sheet Metal/Duct Permits	0
Electrical Permits	22
Plumbing Permits	7
Gas Permits	11
Certificates of Inspection	9
Solid Fuel	1
Fire Protection	0
Tents	0

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 2016

The Rowe Police Department has had a total of 176 calls in 2016 ranging from welfare checks to suspicious vehicles. The Police Department has participated in emergency training with the Rowe Fire Department as well as Massachusetts State Police, Franklin County Sheriff's Department, Rowe Elementary School and local businesses: Brookfield Power Pump Storage (Bear Swamp) and Trans Canada. This training is mandatory for the Rowe Police Department and the Officers.

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

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS:

Emergency:	911
Shelburne Control:	413-625-8200
Rowe Police Office:	413-339-8340
Police Chiefs Home:	413-339-0139

Thank You,

Chief Julie Shippee
Rowe Police Department
Town of Rowe
PO Box 318
Rowe MA 01367
Emergency # 413-625-8200
Office # 413-339-8340
Secondary # 413-339-0139
Fax # 413-339-5546



Emergency Vehicle Purchased in 2016

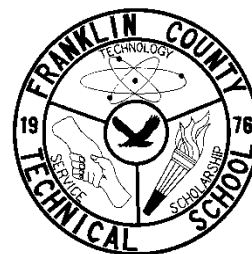


Rowe Elementary School Graduates 2016

Left to Right : Emily Silva, Matthew Bird, Dennis Simmons, Sean O'Dea, Catie Silva and Stella Clark.

FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL 2016

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



**Richard J. Martin
Superintendent**

FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

2016 Annual Report to Towns

We submit this annual report for 2016 on behalf of the Franklin County Technical School District and its administration, faculty, staff and students.

Total enrollment as of October 1, 2016 was 437 students with town breakouts as follows:

Bernardston	21	Erving	33	Montague	59	Sunderland	6
Buckland	9	Gill	10	New Salem	3	Warwick	9
Colrain	21	Greenfield	109	Northfield	35	Wendell	7
Conway	7	Heath	12	Orange	61	Whately	9
Deerfield	16	Leyden	7	Shelburne	3		

Franklin County Technical School awarded 117 diplomas to our seniors in June of 2016. 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 four years. Our overall Progress and Performance Index (PPI) moved from 17% in 2012 (Level III) to 31% in 2014 (Level II) and have maintained Level II status ever since, with nearly 30% growth each year. Additionally, the district met the goals set by the Department of Education for passing rates of students of high risk with disabilities.

98.3% of FCTS students receive a high school diploma and vocational certificate with 69% planning to join the regional workforce, while others plan to join the military or attend post-secondary or trade/technical schools. FCTS dropout rate is also significantly below the state and regional average. We are proud of the accomplishments of the Class of 2016.

On June 23, 2015 Franklin County Technical School District was fortunate to have received approval from all nineteen member towns to participate in a bond authorization which allowed FCTS to fund the MSBA 73.89% reimbursed Window and Door Replacement Project, as well as afford FCTS the opportunity to repair its twenty year-old roof and ensure paving upgrades of its forty year old driveway, track, parking lot and associated areas, which were original to the school in 1976. Payment for the bond will not impact member towns until FY19. FCTS now has state-of-the-art exterior energy efficient doors and windows, new parking lot paving and lights, track, basketball courts and a new silicone roof coating. In addition, FCTS will be adding new interior doors and handles to bring us into ADA compliance. FCTS students were instrumental with landscaping associated with the projects, digging conduits to lay wire for lighting, and supporting installation of parking lot lights to save the district tens of thousands of dollars.

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. Project work is treated as an immersive activity, with guidance and professional direction by instructors. Due to the instructional nature of the work, duration of a project may increase, but costs associated with a project to our cities and towns are significantly decreased. 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 FCTS money as compared to associated costs with hiring contractors. What follows are some examples of the ways in which we serve our communities: FCTS faculty, staff and students donate to food drives for needy families and organizations throughout Franklin County. Our Culinary Arts program donates to the Franklin County Sheriff's Office Regional Dog Shelter and FCTS instructors and students within specific shop areas visit veterans at the Veterans Hospital on Veterans Day. Our Pre-Employment or (PEP) program provides specialized instruction and training for students with disabilities, donates to the Dakin Animal Shelter and Ronald McDonald House. In Bernardston, Electrical instructors and students provided electrical maintenance work at the Bernardston Library, while Carpentry instructors and students completed the roof over a handicap ramp at the Bernardston Veterans Clubhouse. Electrical instructors and students wired/retrofitted the Colrain Fire Station for a network; as well as having provided work on the Colrain Fire Station's emergency generator. In Conway, Programming & Web Design

instructors and students planned to create a website on Field Memorial Library; and in Deerfield, Carpentry and Electrical instructors and students worked on a new electric service enclosure on Deerfield's Town Common. Culinary Arts instructors and students help with the Schuetzen Verein Senior Expo and Senior Center functions in Gill/Montague.

In Greenfield our Health Technology instructors and students are involved in community service learning sites at: Community Action Parent/Child Development Center; Poet's Seat Healthcare Facility; GVNA Adult Day Health; Arbors Assisted Living Facility; NELCWIT/GVNA; Recovery Project; Buckley Nursing Facility. Electrical instructors and students retrofitted LED lighting at Greenfield Community College. Cosmetology instructors and students have been involved with the Girl's Day Out at the YMCA; and have provided beautician services at local nursing homes. Culinary Arts instructors and students have also been involved in Girl's Day Out at the YMCA; provide cookie donation to the GCC's golf tournament; and the Soups & Game Night at Hope & Olive. Machine Technology students help set up for the Relay for Life at the Greenfield Fair Grounds. Carpentry students installed 50 new window boxes at Greenfield Housing Authority's Elm Terrace; and frame enclosed a new athletic storage building at Greenfield High School. In Montague, Health Technology instructors and students are involved in community service learning at Community Action Parent/Child Development Center. FCTS Automotive Technology and Collision and Repair programs painted brackets for Judd Wire, repaired a trailer for the Turners Falls Police Department, and completed pin and bushing repair for the Turners Falls Police Department.

Electrical students worked on the Shelburne Trolley Museum's car barn and also have work pending on the Sunderland Library. Additionally, they have been involved with an LED lighting retrofit for the Warwick DPW; and have worked on the Warwick Police & Fire Department's emergency generator. Plumbing and Heating students installed a multi-head heat pump Mini-Split system for the Warwick Police Department, and Electrical students completed work on that system, as well. The Town of Whately invited our Collision shop and Repair and Refinishing shop to restore a Chevy Silverado for the Whately Fire Department; and our Electrical students have finished wiring the Wendell town kitchen.

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.

Respectfully,



Mr. Richard J. Kuklewicz
School Committee Chairman



Mr. Richard J. Martin
Superintendent-Director

Franklin County Technical School District Committee 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

CO-PRINCIPALS - MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL 2016

Mohawk was recognized by *U.S. News and World Report* as a Silver Medal school in 2016. Schools are ranked based on student performance on state testing as well as other factors (including attendance and graduation rates) that indicate how well they prepare students for college. Using a variety of measures, *U.S. News and World Report* places Mohawk in the top 21% of schools in Massachusetts and top 9% of schools in the country. Two key principles inform this ranking process: that a great high school must serve all of its students well, not just those who are college-bound, and that it must be able to produce measurable academic outcomes to show it is successfully educating its student body across a range of performance indicators.

Mohawk educators innovate to create rich learning experiences for our students. One example is the new Integrated Arts and English course collaboration between visual arts teacher Rachel Silverman and English teacher Rachel Hoogstraten. Ninth-grade students had the option to select the English 9 section that was partnered with an arts course so that they examine connections with the visual arts as they engage in exploration of literary works as diverse as Elie Wiesel's *Night*, Marjane Satrapi's memoir *Persepolis*, and John Steinbeck's novella *Of Mice and Men*.

After several years in development as a pilot course, this year the Senior Capstone Seminar is a graduation requirement for all seniors. Four educators collaborate in offering sections of the course throughout the day: English and History teacher Bill Drake, English teacher Erik Sussbauer, French and English teacher Michelle MacInnes, and Science and Computer Science teacher Downey Meyer. The Capstone course is designed to provide students with structured support as they pursue a substantive project based on their personal interests and passions; in many instances students choose a project that is associated with a field of study or career path that interests them. The following is a sampling of these diverse projects: Max Carr is building a weather balloon; Angela Szewczyk is creating a line of clothing and plans on having a fashion show as her final project; Tyler Rice is conducting a social media experiment about phone usage and people's emotional response to having their phones taken away; Sophie Raphael has been studying how using music can help students learn and retain vocabulary words and she has spent time working in a middle school teacher's classroom to test her theory; Brendan Gerry is working on fabricating a pig roaster; Rebecca Scranton is exploring mathematics teaching by observing math classes; Mahalia Dean is building a web site to share her family's long history in the region; Emma Musante is putting together an art show; Christina Tiberii is documenting her work as an assistant director for the production of the play "The Mouse That Roared" that was staged December 16; Christina Lively is setting up a 4-H club at Mohawk; Torsten Sloan Anderson is working on creating genetically modified bacteria that glows; Adam Hallenbeck, Zeke Rodriguez, and Sarah Paige are writing and recording their own songs to record a CD; and Autumn Smith is developing a business plan for setting up a bakery business.

Mohawk continues to expand offerings in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) with Robotics and Exploring Computer Science available to all high school students. Math teachers increasingly use Inquiry-Based Learning (IBL) approaches to math instruction which emphasize active engagement and problem-solving and high school science teachers use Process Oriented Guided Inquiry Learning approaches. Seventh grade science teacher Samantha Rutz was honored by the Massachusetts Association of Science Teachers (MAST) as the Franklin County Science Educator of the Year.

Mohawk students pursue advanced study in a wide range of subjects. In 2016 students took Advanced Placement exams in the following subjects: Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Chemistry, Comparative Government and Politics, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, European History, Human Geography, Macroeconomics, Physics, U.S. Government, and U.S. History. Members of the Class of 2016 are continuing their education at Brandeis University, Campbell University, Clarkson University, Endicott College, Elms College, Fitchburg State College, Franklin Pierce University, George Washington

University, Greenfield Community College, Green Mountain College, High Point University, Holyoke Community College, Keene State College, Mount Holyoke College, Oberlin College, Occidental College, Regis College, Rochester Institute of Technology, Smith College, Stonehill College, Southern Connecticut State, St. Lawrence University, Syracuse University, University of Massachusetts - Amherst, University of New England, University of Advancing Technology, and University of Tampa.

Technology continues to enrich student learning. The Class of 2016 gave 3-D printers as a class gift, and we have expanded our use of Chromebooks in the classroom. This year School Librarian Emily Willis began teaching Digital Literacy courses to middle school students, emphasizing responsible and informed use of online resources and media literacy. Teachers throughout our building focus on critical thinking and literacy skills to prepare students to be informed citizens.

Mohawk's extensive athletic program offers many opportunities. Athletic Director Fred Redeker notes that 79% of the graduating Class of 2016 played at least one sport while at Mohawk. Of those 57 students, 52 played at the varsity level of their respective sports, and 90% of those who played varsity participated in post-season play.

Our school uses Restorative Practices such as restorative circles, mediation conversations, and school-based community service assignments as part of an integrated approach to student discipline. Mohawk teachers and students have engaged in dialogue circles to support conversations regarding school culture and climate, and topics such as the role of technology in students' lives.

At the mid-point of the 2016-2017 school year, enrollment in grades 7-12 is 430. The seventh grade has 81 students and the eighth grade has 93 students. There are 57 students in grade 9, 68 in 10th grade, 69 juniors, and 62 seniors. Four students are enrolled in our post-graduate program.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynn R. Dole and Marisa Mendonsa
Co-Principals



Rowe Elementary School

"Where children come first..."

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It is our pleasure to submit the 2016 Annual Report for Rowe Elementary School. It was an exciting year, with some unexpected challenges, but the staff continues to strive to provide the most comprehensive academic and social/emotional educational experience for all of our students.

Here are some highlights from the year:

- The Rowe School teaching staff continued its work with Project Based Learning (PBL), at all grade levels and across different subject areas. PBL is a teaching method in which students gain knowledge and skills by working for an extended period of time to investigate and respond to an authentic, engaging and complex question, problem, or challenge. Students, families and teachers have reported that students are more engaged in their learning.
- 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.
- 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.
- Students continue to learn and speak Spanish from the preschool classroom through the sixth grade.
- In October, Kindergarten through grade six students hiked Catamount, learning much about local flora and fauna, enjoying a beautiful day together.
- Other field trips included Plymouth Plantation, the Wampanoag Homesite and the Mayflower II for grades K-6 in the Fall. 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.
- A new after school activity program was started in September 2016, which involved activities led by community members, family members or staff. The activities ranged from hiking to art to gymnastics, with more planned for 2017.

- 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 and other fund raising projects.
- 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 Nature's Classroom in April for days of intensive academic and social learning.
- After years of dedicated service, Lisa Miller stepped down from the Rowe School Committee, and Ellen Miller was elected to serve. The School Committee consists of Susie Zavotka, Chair, Ellen Miller and Janet Cowie.

Once again the learning adventure 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 2016

The Rowe School Committee work for 2016 has involved a variety of items including Rowe's place in the greater educational community and developing new policies for the operation of Rowe School. There were also changes in committee members. Lisa Miller completed her final term as School Committee Member in May, and Gail May resigned as a committee member in March. We are grateful for their leadership and service to our community. Janet Cowie was appointed and then elected to fill Gail May's unexpired term. Ellen Miller was elected in May to the position vacated by Lisa Miller.

Below is a brief summary of the major activities of the committee:

Consideration to Join Mohawk Trails Regional School District for Grades 7-12: The MTRSD Committee invited Rowe to rejoin the Regional School District for grades 7-12 due to changes in state funding that made it financially advantageous for the district. The request initiated an analysis of Rowe's current tuition agreement. A decision is planned before May 2017.

An Opportunity to Tuition Heath Elementary Students: Due to potential closure of the Heath School, members of the Heath Task Force requested that Rowe consider being a receiving school for Heath children under a tuition agreement. The Rowe School Committee sought legal counsel and developed an initial plan

for accommodating Heath students at Rowe School. (In February 2017, the Heath BOS made a decision to enter tuition negotiations with Hawlemont School District instead of Rowe).

Policy Development: A “Personnel Policy Regarding Non-Teaching Staff” was developed. This policy provides complete and accurate information for all non-teaching staff regarding pay, vacation, sick leave, insurance, retirement, evaluations, and grievances. Policies for use of Social Media and Internet as well as a Concussion Policy were also completed. Work continues on development of a complete policy manual.

Rowe School Volunteer Support Plan: The committee worked with Rowe PTP to develop a system to involve members of the community who have expertise in particular areas to volunteer at the Rowe School. This plan is in the development stage.

The Rowe School Committee continues to be grateful for an excellent faculty and staff who serve Rowe School, the assistance of the Superintendent and staff at Northern Berkshire School Union, and a supportive community.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Zavotka, School Committee Chair
Janet Cowie, Member
Ellen Miller, Member

SPECIAL EDUCATION AND PUPIL SERVICES - MTRSD 2016

The Mohawk Trail and Hawlemont Regional Special Education Department serves students in the Sanderson, Colrain, Hawlemont, Buckland-Shelburne, and Mohawk Middle and High Schools. The primary function is to ensure that students with an IEP or a 504 are being serviced at a level required to make effective progress with supports outlined in their IEP or 504. According to state data, The Mohawk Trail and Hawlemont Districts have about 19% of their student population receiving special education services. Those services are in several areas: speech and language, occupational therapy (OT), physical therapy (PT), counseling and academics. Every school has at least one special education teacher and an OT and PT who spend about one day a week in each school. Mohawk has a full time Speech Language Assistant and a part time Speech Language Pathologist. BSE has a full time and part time Speech Language Pathologist and Assistant. Colrain and Hawlemont share a full time Speech Language Pathologist and Assistant. Heath has a one day a week Speech Language Pathologist and Sanderson has a four day a week Speech Pathologist. Sanderson has three days of a Clinical School Psychologist. BSE and Colrain share an Adjustment Counselor and each has a School Psychologist. Hawlemont has a three day a week School Psychologist and Heath has a two day a week School Psychologist. The Middle and High Schools have a full time Adjustment Counselor and School Psychologist. The level of services in each building is based on population and the level of services legally required by an IEP.

With the support and initiative of several parents, the district was able to support a SEPAC (Special Education Parent Advisory Council). The council created by-laws, held monthly meetings and reached out to parents looking for support. We hope this year enables us to continue the support those parents created.

Over the last year, the districts had 12 students who were educated outside of the school district. Those students attended a school out of district for several reasons: 1) The district does not have a program that

meets the student's level of need or 2) The student attended an out of district school prior to moving to the district and legally then is allowed to continue their placement in the school or 3) The last known address of the parent of the student was in our district and the DCF (Department of Children and Families) has placed the student in a residential school, requiring the district to pay for the educational component of the program.

Respectfully Submitted,
Leann Loomis
Director of Pupil Personnel Services

SUPERINTENDENT MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 2016

I have had the good fortune of serving the wonderful communities of the Mohawk Trail Regional School District and Hawlemont Regional School District since 2005. My journey with Mohawk began with severe fiscal crisis, and my journey with Hawlemont soon became a similar challenge. Over the next decade, both Mohawk and Hawlemont underwent organizational transformations that resulted in both districts performing at historically high educational levels in 2016.

In June, Mohawk High School was awarded a silver medal by U.S. News & World Report in their 2016 ranking of the best high schools in the United States. On a national level, U.S. News & World Report ranked Mohawk 2,567 of 28,561 high schools in the United States, which places Mohawk among the top 9% of high schools in the nation. On a state level, U.S. News & World Report ranked Mohawk 74 of 353 high schools in Massachusetts, which places Mohawk among the top 21% of high schools in the Commonwealth. Two key principles underlie the U.S. News comprehensive rankings methodology: (1) that a great high school must serve all of its students well, not just those who are college bound and (2) that the high school must be able to produce measurable academic outcomes to show that it is successfully educating its student body across a range of performance indicators. We are very proud of our students, educators and families who have all contributed significantly to this noteworthy achievement. Congratulations!!

With Mohawk's commitment to pre-school programing district-wide, enrollment of three and four-year olds increased to a new high of 122 students in 2016. The largest increase in preschool enrollment occurred at Sanderson Academy, which now has three preschool classes! We are hopeful that this trend will continue into the foreseeable future, which would bode very well for the district long-term. In 2016, both Buckland-Shelburne Elementary School (BSE) and Colrain Central School (CCS) experienced increases in enrollment. BSE enrollment increased 8% to 279 students, and CCS enrollment increased 13% to 117 students. In contrast, Heath Elementary experienced a precipitous drop in enrollment from 50 to 29 students. As a result, both the Mohawk School Committee and the Town of Heath are exploring the viability of Heath Elementary and are considering closing the school and tuitioning the Heath elementary students to another Mohawk elementary school, Hawlemont Regional Elementary School, or Rowe Elementary School.

In 2016, Hawlemont entered into the equivalent of a school renaissance. With its exciting agriculturally-based curriculum **H**awlemont, **A**griculture, and **Y**ou (HAY) just beginning to take shape, Hawlemont's enrollment spiked 23% to 125 students. Most of this growth was due to an increase in parents' choosing to enroll their students into Hawlemont from other districts. In fact, for the first time ever, more students school-choiced into Hawlemont than school-choiced out of Hawlemont. This amazing turnaround from very difficult

circumstances only a few years ago is due to the extraordinary efforts of the entire Hawlemont school community. Kudos all around! Another important highlight during 2016 was the installation of a wood pellet heating system in Hawlemont, which is projected to save considerable budget dollars over the long term. This renewable heating system also presents exciting learning opportunities for our students, particularly in the areas of science and math. For example, we will begin tracking Hawlemont's new carbon footprint, which we anticipate dropping considerably from the level previously generated by the former oil-based heating system.

On behalf of our students, I thank the entire Mohawk and Hawlemont school communities for your dedicated support of our children's education. THANK YOU!

Respectfully submitted,
Michael A. Buoniconti
Superintendent of Schools
Mohawk Trail Regional School District
Hawlemont Regional School District

CARL H. NILMAN SCHOLARSHIP FUND 2016

The fund was established under the provisions of the will of Carl H. Nilman 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 77 applications; 28 were from seniors and 49 were from graduates. \$33,350 was our allotment for scholarships which we used 30% for seniors and 70% for graduates. The Committee feels that seniors have multiple scholarship opportunities from other sources while graduates have fewer resources. 23 scholarships totaling \$10,000.00 were awarded to seniors (82% of applicants) 40 scholarships totaling \$23,350 were given to graduates (82% of applicants).

From 1991- 2016 a total of \$909,975.00 has been awarded in scholarships. Mohawk seniors have received \$280,775.00 and \$629,200.00 has been awarded to Mohawk graduates.

The same formula for determining what percentages of the fund should be distributed as scholarships, which had been established by the School Committee and the management firm of Bartholomew and Co., was used again this year.

Once again the applications is available on line to the graduates and seniors can pick up their application at Mohawk. Press releases were published in both the Independent and the Greenfield Recorder in March containing information about the Carl H. Nilman Scholarship Fund.

There are fifteen 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, 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). Suzanne Crawford is the representative to the School Committee.

Officers are: Marge Porrovecchio and Robin Hartnett, Co-Chairs and Marion Scott is Secretary. Subcommittees are: Finance, Marion Taylor, Robin Hartnett and 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. Please call the Guidance Office at Mohawk for information regarding requirements and deadlines.

Respectfully submitted,
Marion E. Scott, Secretary

MARY LYON FOUNDATION, INC. 2016

Innovative Support for Local Education

This year was highlighted by a gala celebration of the Mary Lyon Foundation's auspicious 25th anniversary. On August 6 at the Mary Lyon House in Buckland 25 doves were released to commemorate the 25 successful years that the foundation has provided services, programs, scholarships, mini-grants for school district staff, and professional development opportunities to enhance local education. Opening remarks were given by Dr. Bruce Willard, and Susan Daniels, a Mount Holyoke graduate, delivered the keynote speech. Bruce Willard, Jack Williams and David Newell were honored for their vision and early support of the Mary Lyon Foundation. The launch of the Putnam Hill Legacy Society with 15 founding members was officially announced. Our annual George Needham Business Award for extraordinary support of local education was presented to Blackmer Insurance Agency, and the Mohawk Outstanding Graduate Award was presented to Danny Field, formerly of Shelburne Falls, for his community contributions.

In September with our library partner, Arms Library, we distributed thousands of bookmarks at the Franklin County Fair and parade to kick-off our NEA Big Read of Luis Urrea's *Into the Beautiful North*. Funded by MassHumanities and the Community Foundation of Western Massachusetts' Franklin Fund, in October our Big Read hosted a vibrant *Spirit of Place Community Day* at Greenfield Community College (GCC). With support from GCC, Holyoke Community College (HCC), and generous cultural partners, we engaged families with music, storytelling, dance, art, poetry, a Dia de los Muertos altar, and a community meal. Afternoon panel discussions began with dynamic keynote speaker Sienna Wildfield of *Hilltown Families*. We also brought Mariachi Mexico Antiguo and the 1960 film version of "The Magnificent Seven" to Memorial Hall in

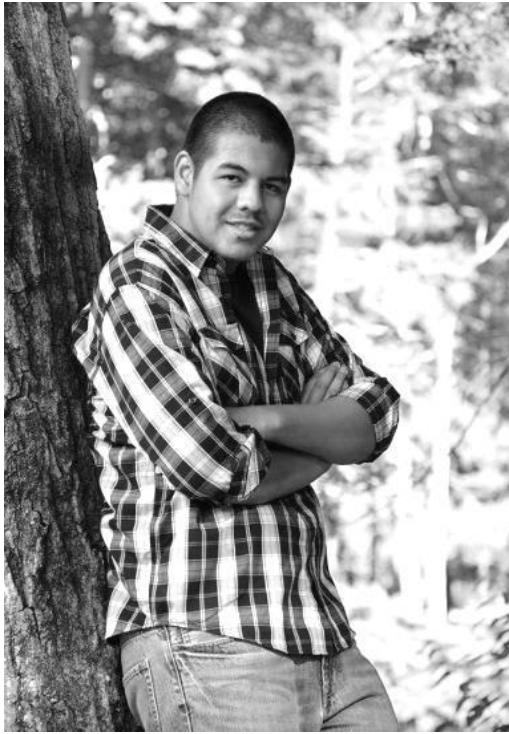
Shelburne Falls and will host the author at GCC and HCC in April 2017. We were the only organization in MA to receive one of the 77 coveted grants awarded this year by the National Endowment for the Arts.

The Mary Lyon Foundation once again raised significant funds for mini-grants for innovative, educational projects in our local schools. The 11th annual Community Spelling Bee was held on November 10 at Mohawk Trail Regional School; 30 teams representing public and private schools, youth groups, senior citizens, civic organizations and businesses were led by Master of Ceremonies Jill Connolly and Spell Master Art Schwenger. A warm welcome was provided by Superintendent Michael Buoniconti, and Shelburne selectman Joe Judd convened a prestigious panel of judges. Winning the Grand Championship was the Cash Cow spelling bee team comprised of Samantha Rutz, Anneka Dunnington and Lauren Binger.

We greatly appreciate the support of the Myrtle Atkinson Foundation, TransCanada, Mayhew Steel Products, local financial institutions and businesses. We continue to provide warm clothes, food, eyeglasses, and other basic necessities for children in need through our ongoing Harper Gerry Student Assistance Fund, and we are grateful for the support of the United Way of Franklin County, the generous payroll deductions of school district staff, People's United Community Foundation, and many individual contributions that help us support children and their families.

Members of the Board of Directors for 2016 were Marion Taylor (Past President), Sylvia Orcutt (President), Hugh Knox (Vice President), Sharon Hudson (Corresponding Secretary), Katherine McKay (Recording Secretary), Karen Fairbrother (Treasurer), Susan Schuman, Peter Stevens, Robin Morgan Huntley, Joanne LaCour, Lawrence Wells, Mohawk Trail Regional School student representatives Eli Shearer and Lilly Wells. Business Manager is Gina Sieber, and volunteer Office Manager is Sandy Gilbert. The Board of Directors joins us in thanking the many generous individuals, businesses and organizations in our community for making 2016 a highly successful year. The Mary Lyon Foundation is a 501(c)(3) community-based, non-profit organization that provides innovative support for education in our nine West County towns. Named in honor of Buckland-born educator Mary Lyon, who founded Mount Holyoke College in 1837, the organization continues to provide programs and services that greatly enhance the quality of local education.

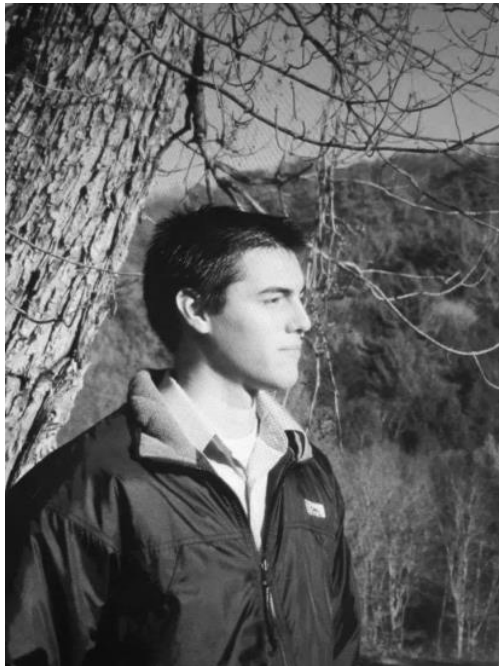
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Citizens Vote on FY 17 Budget Items at Town Meeting

Leanne Loomis, Robin Reed and Loretta Dionne

**C.S. 1-ER Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Department of Revenue FY2016
NOTICE TO ASSESSORS OF ESTIMATED RECEIPTS
General Laws, Chapter 58, Section 25A
Rowe**

A. EDUCATION:

Distributions and Reimbursements:

Chapter 70	132,485
School Transportation	0
Charter Tuition Reimbursement	17,748
Smart Growth	0

Offset Items – Reserve for Direct Expenditure:

School Lunch	
School Choice Receiving Tuition	110,368
Sub-Total, All Education Items:	260,601

B. GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Distributions and Reimbursements:

Unrestricted General Government Aid	3,936
Local Share of Racing Taxes	0
Regional Public Libraries	0
Urban Revitalization	0
Veterans Benefits	0

Exempt: VBS and Elderly 8

State Owned Land 6,438

Offset Item - Reserve for Direct Expenditure:

Public Libraries	1,897
Sub-Total, All General Government:	12,271

C. TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS: 272,872

ASSESSORS CHERRY SHEET - 2016

C.S. 1-EC Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Revenue FY2017

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	373
Metropolitan Area Planning Council	0
Old Colony Planning Council	0
RMV Non-Renewal Surcharge	240
Sub-Total, State Assessments:	613

C. TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES:

MBTA	0
Boston Metro. Transit District	0
Regional Transit	2,253
Sub-Total, Transportation Assessments:	2,253

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	21,970.
Charter School Sending Tuition	58,908.
Essex County Tech Sending Tuition	0
Sub-Total, Tuition Assessments:	80,878

F. TOTAL ESTIMATED CHARGES: 83,744

TAX RATES BY CLASS – 14 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
Rowe	2016	6.19	0.00	13.67	13.67	13.67

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION 2016

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
DIVISION OF LOCAL SERVICES
BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS

Rowe
City / Town / District

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION Fiscal Year 2017

I. TAX RATE SUMMARY

Ia. Total amount to be raised (from page 2, IIe)	\$ 5,605,782.96
Ib. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (from page 2, IIIe)	1,953,162.58
Ic. Tax Levy (Ia minus Ib)	\$ 3,652,620.38
Id. Distribution of Tax Rates and levies	

CLASS	(b) Levy percentage (from LA5)	(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	8.7123	318,227.25	51,414,829.00	6.19	318,257.79
Net of Exempt					
Open Space	0.0000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Commercial	0.0910	3,323.88	243,175.00	13.67	3,324.20
Net of Exempt					
Industrial	65.4305	2,389,927.78	174,828,500.00	13.67	2,389,905.60
SUBTOTAL	74.2338		226,486,504.00		2,711,487.59
Personal	25.7662	941,141.47	68,846,583.00	13.67	941,132.79
TOTAL	100.0000		295,333,087.00		3,652,620.38

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Board of Assessors

Frederick N. Williams, Board Of Assessors Chairman, Rowe, assessor@rowe-ma.gov 413-339-5520 | 10/20/2016 12:25 AM

Comment: Signed on behalf of BOA.

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Reviewed By: Matthew Andre
Date: 10/25/2016
Approved: Deborah Wagner
Director of Accounts: Mary Jane Handy

Mary Jane Handy

NOTE : The information was Approved on 10/25/2016

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION 2016

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
DIVISION OF LOCAL SERVICES
BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS

Rowe

City / Town / District

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION

Fiscal Year 2017

II. Amounts to be raised

Ila. Appropriations (col.(b) through col.(g) from page 4)		<u>5,193,352.58</u>
Ilb. Other amounts to be raised		
1. Amounts certified for tax title purposes	<u>0.00</u>	
2. Debt and interest charges not included on page 4	<u>0.00</u>	
3. Final court judgements	<u>0.00</u>	
4. Total overlay deficits of prior years	<u>0.00</u>	
5. Total cherry sheet offsets (see cherry sheet 1-ER)	<u>99,228.00</u>	
6. Revenue deficits	<u>0.00</u>	
7. Offset receipts deficits Ch. 44, Sec. 53E	<u>0.00</u>	
8. CPA other unappropriated/unreserved	<u>0.00</u>	
9. Snow and ice deficit Ch. 44, Sec. 31D	<u>0.00</u>	
10. Other (specify on separate letter)	<u>187,329.00</u>	
TOTAL Ilb (Total lines 1 through 10)		<u>286,557.00</u>
Ilc. State and county cherry sheet charges (C.S. 1-EC)		<u>111,844.00</u>
Ild. Allowance for abatements and exemptions (overlay)		<u>14,029.38</u>
Ile. Total amount to be raised (Total Ila through Ild)		<u>5,605,782.96</u>

III. Estimated receipts and other revenue sources

IIIa. Estimated receipts - State		
1. Cherry sheet estimated receipts (C.S. 1-ER Total)	<u>285,258.00</u>	
2. Massachusetts school building authority payments	<u>0.00</u>	
TOTAL IIIa		<u>285,258.00</u>
IIIb. Estimated receipts - Local		
1. Local receipts not allocated (page 3, col (b) Line 24)	<u>51,997.00</u>	
2. Offset Receipts (Schedule A-1)	<u>0.00</u>	
3. Enterprise Funds (Schedule A-2)	<u>0.00</u>	
4. Community Preservation Funds (See Schedule A-4)	<u>0.00</u>	
TOTAL IIIb		<u>51,997.00</u>
IIIc. Revenue sources appropriated for particular purposes		
1. Free cash (page 4, col (c))	<u>214,997.21</u>	
2. Other available funds (page 4, col (d))	<u>1,256,429.37</u>	
TOTAL IIIc		<u>1,471,426.58</u>
IIId. Other revenue sources appropriated specifically to reduce the tax rate		
1a. Free cash..appropriated on or before June 30, 2016	<u>102,071.00</u>	
1b. Free cash..appropriated on or after July 1, 2016	<u>0.00</u>	
2. Municipal light source	<u>0.00</u>	
3. Other source : : Overlay Surplus	<u>42,410.00</u>	
TOTAL IIId		<u>144,481.00</u>
IIIe. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (Total IIIa through IIId)		<u>1,953,162.58</u>

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

a. Total amount to be raised (from Ile)		<u>5,605,782.96</u>
b. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (from IIIe)	<u>1,953,162.58</u>	
c. Total real and personal property tax levy (from Ic)	<u>3,652,620.38</u>	
d. Total receipts from all sources (total IVb plus IVc)		<u>5,605,782.96</u>

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TAX RATE RECAPITULATION 2016 (Continued)

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
DIVISION OF LOCAL SERVICES
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Rowe

City / Town / District

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION

Fiscal Year 2017

LOCAL RECEIPTS NOT ALLOCATED *

	Receipt Type Description	(a) Actual Receipts Fiscal 2016	(b) Estimated Receipts Fiscal 2017
=>	1. MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	47,853.18	43,000.00
	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	24,766.22	1,500.00
=>	4. PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	0.00	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	1,503.00	1,000.00
	11. RENTALS	5,697.00	5,222.00
	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	637.50	500.00
	18. SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	0.00	0.00
=>	19. FINES AND FORFEITS	177.50	175.00
=>	20. INVESTMENT INCOME	680.95	600.00
=>	21. MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT	9,434.51	0.00
=>	22. MISCELLANEOUS RECURRING (PLEASE SPECIFY)	9,245.30	0.00
	23. MISCELLANEOUS NON-RECURRING (PLEASE SPECIFY)	8,909.50	0.00
	24. Totals	108,904.66	51,997.00

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 2017 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.

Accounting Officer

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 above-indicated fiscal year tax rate recapitulation form by the City / Town / 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, accountant@rowe-ma.gov 413-339-5520 | 9/7/2016 10:27 AM

Comment: assessors given back up 9/7/16

* 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 2017 estimated receipts to FY 2016 estimated receipts to be used in calculating the Municipal Revenue Growth Factor (MRGF).

NOTE : The information was Approved on 10/25/2016

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION 2015 (Continued)

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
DIVISION OF LOCAL SERVICES
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Rowe
City / Town / District

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION Fiscal Year 2017

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)	(f) From Enterprise Funds (See A-2)	(g) From Community Preservation Funds (See A-4)	(h) Revolving, Funds (See A-3)	(i) Borrowing Authorization (Other)
03/23/2016	2016	32,000.00	0.00	30,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
05/09/2016	2017	4,319,355.37	3,721,926.00	0.00	597,429.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	27,000.00	0.00
01/11/2016	2016	272,997.21	0.00	184,997.21	88,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
09/26/2016	2017	569,000.00	0.00	0.00	569,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total		5,193,352.58	3,721,926.00	214,997.21	1,256,429.37	0.00	0.00	0.00		

* Enter the fiscal year to which the appropriation relates, i.e., fiscal year 2016 or fiscal 2017.

** Appropriations included in column (b) must not be reduced by local receipts or any other funding source.

Appropriations must be entered gross to avoid a duplication in the use of estimated or other sources of receipts.

*** Include only revolving funds pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 53 E 1/2.

Clerk

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

Jennifer A Morse, Town Clerk , Rowe , townclerk@rowe-ma.gov 413-339-5520 | 9/27/2016 9:51 AM

Comment: Added STM 9-28-16 and resigned

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PROPERTY TRANSFERS FOR 2016

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 - 2016

Year/Tax	Outstanding 7-1-15	Commitments	Abatements	Tax Title	Payments	Refunds	Adjust -ments *	Outstanding 6-30-16
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	-213.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	00.00	0.00	0.00	213.76
06 MVE	-266.26	0.00	0.00	0.00	00.00	0.00	0.00	-640.42
07 MVE	-640.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-366.25
08 MVE	-366.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-152.50
09 MVE	-152.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-691.25
10 MVE	-691.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-180.83
11 MVE	-229.58	0	0	0.00	48.75	0.00	0.00	-285.94
12 MVE	-597.32	0	0	0.00	311.98	0.00	0.00	-125.63
13 MVE	-980.94	0	0	0.00	855.31	0.00	0.00	-82.50
14 MVE	-264.38	-	0	0.00	181.88	00.00	0.00	-689.06
15 MVE	3,625.94	4138.58	224.58	0.00	7075.46	224.58	0.00	-3,555.21
16 MVE	00.00	43350.01	226.98	0.00	39794.80	226.98	0.00	0.00
13 RE	-47.88	0	0	0.00	47.88	0.00	0.00	41.28
14 RE	-2,802.03	0	0	0.00	2760.75	0.00	0.00	-1717.73
15 RE	-6,926.60	0	0	0.00	8321.34	0.00	0.00	-2,802.03
16 RE	0.00	-2639679.59	4577.69	77.79	2626989.41	-1,167.18	0.00	-9201.88
16 PP	0.00	-900056.47	1173.50	0.00	900056.47	1173.50	0.00	0.00
TOTALS	-20,916.09	-3,597,124.65	6,202.75	77.79	3,596,344.03	2,792.24	0.00	-18,208.41

Miscellaneous Collections

Lien Fees	\$ 600.00
Demand/Warrant/Misc. Fees	900.00
Deputy Collector Fees	437.00
Mark for Non-Renewal	500.00
Interest on Overdue Tax Payments	24,765.97
NSF Fees Collected	5.71
Bank Interest	.25
TT Fees/Postage Legal Ad	00.00
TOTAL	\$ 27,208.93

Respectfully Submitted,
Sandra P. Daviau, Tax Collector

TOWN OF ROWE – BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS - JUNE 30, 2016

ASSETS	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUES	TRUST & AGENCY	LONG-TERM DEBT
Cash - Pooled	\$ 817,277.43	\$ 127,666.59	\$ 2,123,824.81	\$ 3,068,768.83
2016 Real Estate Taxes	9,201.88			
2015 Real Estate Taxes	1,717.73			
2014 Real Estate Taxes	41.23			
2013 Real Estate Taxes				
Prior Years				
Total Real Estate	10,960.89			
2016 Allow for Abate/Exempt	-29,706.19			
2015 Allow for Abate/Exempt	-4,943.84			
2014 Allow for Abate/Exempt	2,308.51			
2013 Allow for Abate/Exempt	-2,279.55			
Prior Years	-6,224.12			
Tax Liens	2,645.05			
2016 Motor Vehicle Excise	3,518.65			
2015 Motor Vehicle Excise	689.06			
2014 Motor Vehicle Excise	82.50			
2013 Motor Vehicle Excise	125.63			
Prior Year	2,795.12			
Total Motor Vehicle Excise	7,210.96			
Authorized/Unissued				
Broadband To be Provided				\$860,000.00
Total Assets	\$792,632.12	\$127,666.59	\$2,123,824.81	\$860,000.00

TOWN OF ROWE – BALANCE SHEET

LIABILITIES - JUNE 30, 2016

LIABILITIES	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUES	TRUST & AGENCY	LONG-TERM DEBT
Accrued Payroll				
Warrants Payable				
Payroll Withholdings	\$ 4,715.69			
Def. Rev- Property & RE Tax	-34,501.32			
Def. Rev – Tax Liens	2,645.05			
Def.Rev- Motor Vehicle Excise	7,210.96			
Tailings				
Retiree			12,131.60	
Police Detail			0.00	
Permit Firearms Agency			225.00	
Clerk Fees			0.00	
Wildlife			0.00	
Collector's Fees			0.00	
Due to State- Fish/Wildlife			10.00	
Deputy Collector			0.00	
School Activity Agency			2,300.53	
Total Liabilities	\$ -19,929.62	00.00	\$16,667.22	

TOWN OF ROWE – BALANCE SHEET

FUND EQUITY - JUNE 30, 2016

FUND EQUITY	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUES	TRUST & AGENCY	LONG-TERM DEBT
Overlay Surplus Reserve for FY17 Rate	\$ 42,410.00			
Reserve for Carryforwards	171,571.59			
Reserve for Encumbrances	13,834.52			
Undesignated Fund Balance	482,674.63			
Free Cash Reserve for FY17 Tax Rate	102,071.00			
School Grants/Funds		130,385.43		
Grant/Gift Account Balances		(13,381.01)		
Revolving Funds		10,662.17		
Highway Grants Receivable		0.00		
Stabilization			1,231,277.82	
Capital Stabilization			805,897.83	
Trust Accounts			69,981.94	
Unissued Broadband				860,000.00
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$ 812,561.74	\$ 127,666.59	\$ 2,123,824.81	\$ 860,000.00

TOWN ACCOUNTANT – GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES REPORT 2016

Town of Rowe FY 2016

General Fund Expenditure Report

as of: 6/30/2016

General Government	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-114-100 Moderator Stipend		432.00		432.00	432.00	0.00 100%
01-5-122-100 Selectmen Stipends		5,840.00		5,840.00	5,840.00	0.00 100%
01-5-123-100 BOS Administrative Clerk		39,452.00		39,452.00	37,473.88	1,978.12 95%
01-5-123-110 Administrative Assist. Compe		6,710.00		6,710.00	4,815.97	1,894.03 72%
01-5-123-400 General Administrative Expe		24,000.00	-3,000.00	21,000.00	14,794.07	6,205.93 70%
01-5-132-400 Reserve Fund		20,000.00	-12,775.80	7,224.20		7,224.20
01-5-135-400 Payroll Services		4,250.00		4,250.00	4,063.09	186.91 96%
01-5-135-410 Town Acct. Salary and Expen		15,900.00		15,900.00	15,724.62	175.38 99%
01-5-135-420 Town Accountant Consultant			1,555.80	1,555.80	1,340.20	215.60 86%
01-5-141-100 Assessor Stipends		5,275.00		5,275.00	5,275.00	0.00 100%
01-5-141-110 Assessor Clerk Compensation		9,657.00		9,657.00	8,997.32	659.68 93%
01-5-141-400 Assessors' Operation		8,000.00		8,000.00	7,244.36	755.64 91%
01-5-145-100 Treasurer		13,203.00	-3,000.00	10,203.00	10,203.00	0.00 100%
01-5-145-110 Assistant Treasurer Compens		6,813.00	3,000.00	9,813.00	9,361.10	451.90 95%
01-5-146-100 Tax Collector Stipend		7,516.00		7,516.00	7,516.00	0.00 100%
01-5-146-400 Tax Collector Operations		7,290.00		7,290.00	7,043.38	246.62 97%
01-5-150-400 Town Officer Expense		2,000.00		2,000.00	1,170.14	829.86 50%
01-5-150-410 IT Hardware/Software		10,350.00		10,350.00	8,086.76	2,263.24 78%
01-5-150-420 IT Consultant		6,500.00	2,500.00	9,000.00	7,445.50	1,554.50 83%
01-5-150-430 Town-wide Notification Syst		1,000.00		1,000.00	900.00	100.00 90%
01-5-151-400 Legal Expense		10,000.00	-3,800.00	6,200.00	2,972.92	3,227.08 48%
01-5-161-100 Town Clerk Stipend		12,781.00		12,781.00	12,781.00	0.00 100%
01-5-161-400 Town Clerk Operations		2,000.00		2,000.00	571.66	1,428.34 29%
01-5-162-100 Registrars/Census Compensat		350.00		350.00	350.00	0.00 100%
01-5-162-400 Election/Teller Expenses		4,000.00		4,000.00	2,464.90	1,535.10 62%
01-5-171-400 Conservation Comm Operatio		1,500.00		1,500.00	692.95	807.05 46%
01-5-175-400 Planning Board Operations		1,250.00		1,250.00	381.60	868.40 31%
01-5-175-410 Planning Board Consulting E		5,000.00		5,000.00	468.75	4,531.25 9%
01-5-175-420 PB Goal Post Operations		12,100.00		12,100.00	8,964.17	3,135.83 74%
01-5-192-110 Town Hall Custodian Wages		12,810.00		12,810.00	12,810.00	0.00 100%
01-5-192-400 Municipal Center Op. & Mai		15,420.00		15,420.00	13,648.86	1,771.14 89%
01-5-192-410 Town Hall Fuel Oil		6,500.00		6,500.00	2,877.89	3,622.11 44%
01-5-192-420 Town Hall Electricity		8,500.00		8,500.00	6,342.74	2,157.26 75%
01-5-192-430 Town Hall Elevator Maintena		1,800.00		1,800.00	1,486.00	314.00 83%
01-5-192-440 Energy Committee Operation		500.00	6,178.14	6,678.14	6,678.14	0.00 100%
01-5-193-400 Bonding & Insurance		47,250.00		47,250.00	44,332.04	2,917.96 94%
01-5-195-400 Print Town Reports		3,000.00		3,000.00	1,913.75	1,086.25 64%
General Government Totals:		338,949.00	-9,341.86	329,607.14	277,463.76	52,143.38

Public Safety

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-210-100 Police Chief Stipend		23,007.00		23,007.00	23,007.00	0.00 100%
01-5-210-110 Police Officers Compensatio		25,574.00		25,574.00	25,343.13	230.87 99%
01-5-210-115 Police Old Home Day Presen		492.00		492.00	88.33	403.67 18%

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01-5-210-120	Constable Stipend	541.00		541.00	541.00	0.00	100%
01-5-210-400	Police Department Operation	8,850.00		8,850.00	7,562.17	1,287.83	85%
01-5-220-100	Fire Chief Stipend	7,516.00		7,516.00	7,516.00	0.00	100%
01-5-220-110	Fire Officer Stipends	2,000.00	-514.55	1,485.45	57.60	1,427.85	4%
01-5-220-115	Fire Dept. Administrative Ass	7,488.00		7,488.00	6,048.00	1,440.00	81%
01-5-220-120	Emergency Management Dire	3,807.00		3,807.00	3,807.00	0.00	100%
01-5-220-130	Firefighter Stipends	7,885.00		7,885.00	7,667.00	218.00	97%
01-5-220-400	Fire Dept. General Operation	24,160.00	3,514.55	27,674.55	25,742.91	1,931.64	93%
01-5-220-410	Fire Heating Oil	4,440.00	-800.00	3,640.00	3,122.17	517.83	86%
01-5-220-420	Fire Electricity	1,560.00	800.00	2,360.00	2,099.10	260.90	89%
01-5-220-430	Emergency Management	2,000.00		2,000.00	716.17	1,283.83	36%
01-5-220-440	Forest Fire Control	100.00		100.00	42.80	57.20	43%
01-5-220-450	Hazardous Material Control	1,000.00		1,000.00	980.12	19.88	98%
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	2,188.00		2,188.00	2,188.00	0.00	100%
01-5-291-110	EMS Stipends	6,194.00		6,194.00	4,075.00	2,119.00	66%
01-5-291-400	EMS Operations/Maintenanc	1,500.00	3,100.00	4,600.00	4,325.40	274.60	94%
01-5-292-100	Animal Control Officer Stipe	639.00		639.00	639.00	0.00	100%
01-5-292-105	Relief ACO Salary		500.00	500.00	500.00	0.00	100%
01-5-292-110	Reg Dog Control/ Adoption	300.00		300.00	300.00	0.00	100%
01-5-292-120	Regional Animal Control Offi	500.00		500.00	500.00	0.00	100%
01-5-293-100	Animal Inspector Stipend	532.00		532.00	0.00	532.00	0%
Public Safety Totals:		135,773.00	6,600.00	142,373.00	130,367.90	12,005.10	

Education

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-300-100		4,497.00		4,497.00	4,446.73	50.27	99%
01-5-300-400		1,034,156.00	25,483.46	1,059,639.46	1,046,959.08	12,680.38	99%
01-5-320-400		548,920.00	-25,483.46	523,436.54	523,436.54	0.00	100%
Education Totals:		1,587,573.00	0.00	1,587,573.00	1,574,842.35	12,730.65	

Public Works and Facilities

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-422-100		71,190.00		71,190.00	71,190.00	0.00	100%
01-5-422-110		186,489.00		186,489.00	157,804.18	28,684.82	85%
01-5-422-120		25,934.00		25,934.00	25,555.04	378.96	99%
01-5-422-400		29,930.00		29,930.00	26,066.83	3,863.17	87%
01-5-422-410		6,500.00	2,000.00	8,500.00	7,761.08	738.92	91%
01-5-422-420		1,500.00		1,500.00	332.89	1,167.11	22%
01-5-422-430		43,000.00		43,000.00	18,384.33	24,615.67	43%
01-5-422-800		80,000.00		80,000.00	36,683.57	43,316.43	46%
01-5-422-810		43,050.00		43,050.00	40,625.82	2,424.18	94%
01-5-423-400		68,612.00	-8,178.14	60,433.86	48,227.78	12,206.08	80%
01-5-424-400		5,500.00		5,500.00	4,767.77	732.23	87%
01-5-424-410		1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00	
01-5-433-110		15,745.00	500.00	16,245.00	16,070.59	174.41	99%

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01-5-439-400	Household Hazardous Waste	500.00		500.00	429.14	70.86 88%
01-5-439-410	Refuse Garden Operations	30,500.00	-500.00	30,000.00	28,184.75	1,815.25 94%
01-5-439-420	FC Solid Waste Mgmt Assmn	4,400.00		4,400.00	3,142.50	1,257.50 71%
01-5-491-400	Cemeteries-Maint/Repair	15,000.00		15,000.00	14,496.00	504.00 97%
Public Works and Facilities Totals:		628,850.00	-6,178.14	622,671.86	499,722.27	122,949.59

Human Services

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-512-100		4,865.00		4,865.00	4,865.00	0.00 100%
01-5-512-110		7,182.00		7,182.00	7,167.41	14.59 100%
01-5-512-400		13,500.00	-1,287.92	12,212.08	10,998.73	1,213.35 90%
01-5-512-410		44,074.00	487.92	44,561.92	44,561.22	0.70 100%
01-5-512-420		6,000.00	800.00	6,800.00	6,775.87	24.13 100%
01-5-512-430		500.00		500.00	500.00	0.00 100%
01-5-541-400		4,600.00		4,600.00	4,474.05	125.95 97%
01-5-543-400		500.00		500.00		500.00
01-5-543-410		100.00		100.00		100.00
01-5-543-420		2,807.00		2,807.00	2,807.00	0.00 100%
Human Services Totals:		84,128.00	0.00	84,128.00	82,149.28	1,978.72

Culture and Recreation

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-610-100		20,655.00		20,655.00	20,654.41	0.59 100%
01-5-610-110		17,069.00		17,069.00	14,178.86	2,890.14 83%
01-5-610-400		20,966.00	300.00	21,266.00	19,965.72	1,300.28 94%
01-5-610-410		2,300.00		2,300.00	722.92	1,577.08 31%
01-5-610-420		1,600.00		1,600.00	1,198.34	401.66 75%
01-5-610-430		3,655.00		3,655.00	2,168.00	1,487.00 59%
01-5-610-440		260.00		260.00	260.00	0.00 100%
01-5-630-100		45,393.00		45,393.00	45,393.00	0.00 100%
01-5-630-110		41,025.00		41,025.00	40,998.52	26.48 100%
01-5-630-400		19,348.00		19,348.00	19,275.59	72.41 100%
01-5-634-400		4,000.00		4,000.00	1,960.64	2,039.36 49%
01-5-634-410		500.00		500.00	78.68	421.32 16%
01-5-692-410		2,000.00		2,000.00	1,548.98	451.02 77%
01-5-692-420		5,500.00		5,500.00	5,316.89	183.11 97%
01-5-692-440		5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00 100%
Culture and Recreation Totals:		189,271.00	300.00	189,571.00	178,720.55	10,850.45

Intergovernmental Expenditures

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-820-640		364.00		364.00	364.00	0.00 100%
01-5-820-646		240.00		240.00	240.00	0.00 100%
01-5-820-663		3,137.00		3,137.00	3,137.00	0.00 100%
01-5-820-701		16,970.00		16,970.00	21,957.00	-4,987.00 129%
01-5-820-702		43,422.00		43,422.00	42,882.00	540.00 99%
01-5-830-400		15,113.00		15,113.00	15,113.00	0.00 100%

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01-5-830-410	FRCOG Statutory Assessmen		1,021.00		1,021.00	1,021.00	0.00	100%
01-5-830-420	FRCOG Cooperative Purchas		1,460.00		1,460.00	500.00	960.00	34%
Intergovernmental Expenditures Totals:			81,727.00		81,727.00	85,214.00	-3,487.00	
<u>Miscellaneous</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-911-400	Franklin County Retirement		123,000.00		123,000.00	121,064.00	1,936.00	98%
01-5-913-400	Unemployment Insurance		1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00	
01-5-914-400	Group Health Insurance		406,000.00	26,300.00	432,300.00	432,275.78	24.22	100%
01-5-916-400	FICA/Medicare Tax		40,000.00	5,000.00	45,000.00	41,106.67	3,893.33	91%
01-5-970-026	Transfer to Fund 26		1,000.00	4,140.00	5,140.00	5,140.00	0.00	100%
01-5-970-029	Transfer to Fund 29			3,680.00	3,680.00	3,680.00	0.00	100%
01-5-970-961	Tr To Capital Stabilization		182,760.00		182,760.00	182,760.00	0.00	100%
01-5-970-962	Tr To Stabilization		3,000.00	220,810.43	223,810.43	223,810.43	0.00	100%
01-5-997-000	Audit Adjustments				0.00	1,321.66	-1,321.66	1321 6600
01-5-998-010	Small Withholding Closeouts				0.00	0.35	-0.35	3500 000%
01-5-999-902	Encumb. Listed in 02	88,802.22			88,802.22	88,802.22	0.00	100%
01-5-999-903	Special Projects in 03	174,784.66	21,017.00	34,527.15	230,328.81	230,328.81	0.00	100%
01-5-999-998	School Const. Deficit		13,781.13		13,781.13	13,781.13	0.00	100%
Miscellaneous Totals:		263,586.88	791,558.13	294,457.58	1,349,602.59	1,344,071.05	5,531.54	
Grand Totals:		263,586.88	3,837,829.13	285,837.58	4,387,253.59	4,172,551.16	214,702.43	

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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		909,956.46		909,956.46	908,524.66	1,431.80
01-4-120-000	Real Estate Taxes		2,639,679.36		2,639,679.36	2,636,952.20	2,727.16
01-4-130-000	Allow. for Abates & Exempts		-34,515.69		-34,515.69		-34,515.69
01-4-149-320	xFees-Registry Markings				0.00	500.00	-500.00
01-4-150-000	Motor Vehicle Excise		42,000.00		42,000.00	47,853.18	-5,853.18
01-4-161-320	xFees-Town Clerk				0.00	391.00	-391.00
01-4-170-000	Pen & Int on Prop Taxes		1,500.00		1,500.00	24,103.66	-22,603.66
01-4-171-000	Pen & Int on Excise Taxes				0.00	662.56	-662.56
Taxes and Excises Totals:			3,558,620.13		3,558,620.13	3,618,987.26	-60,367.13

<u>Charges for Services</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-210-320	xFees-Police				0.00	512.00	-512.00
01-4-210-450	xPolice Gun Permits		250.00		250.00	337.50	-87.50
Charges for Services Totals:			250.00		250.00	849.50	-599.50

<u>Fees</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-322-320	xFees-Fire Dept				0.00	100.00	-100.00
Fees Totals:					0.00	100.00	-100.00

<u>Federal Revenue</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-510-450	xPermits-Board of Health		300.00		300.00	300.00	0.00
01-4-540-000	USPS Contract Revenue		5,220.00		5,220.00	5,697.00	-477.00
Federal Revenue Totals:			5,520.00		5,520.00	5,997.00	-477.00

<u>State Revenue</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-616-000	Exemp: VBS & Elderly State		8.00		8.00	7.00	1.00
01-4-620-000	School Aid Chapter 70		131,165.00		131,165.00	131,165.00	0.00
01-4-661-000	Charter Tuition Reimburseme		19,287.00		19,287.00	20,047.00	-760.00
01-4-676-000	Unrestricted General Aid		3,632.00		3,632.00	3,632.00	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	210.00	-210.00
01-4-681-000	Medicaid Reimb. School				0.00	9,434.51	-9,434.51
01-4-683-000	HCGIT ER Subsidy Retiree				0.00	8,932.30	-8,932.30
01-4-685-000	xFines - RMV		515.00		515.00		515.00
State Revenue Totals:			161,098.00		161,098.00	179,918.81	-18,820.81

<u>Other Intergovernmental Revenue</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-770-000	CMVI fines				0.00	50.00	-50.00
01-4-771-000	District Court Fines				0.00	127.50	-127.50
Other Intergovernmental Revenue Totals:					0.00	177.50	-177.50

<u>Miscellaneous Revenue</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
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01-4-816-000	Sale of Surplus Equipment		0.00	54.00	-54.00
01-4-820-000	Earnings on Investments	1,095.00	1,095.00	680.95	414.05
01-4-822-000	Vol Fire Assist. Grant Reimb		0.00	1,559.33	-1,559.33
01-4-841-000	Copies		0.00	103.00	-103.00
01-4-842-000	Prior Year Refund	3,330.00	3,330.00	7,296.17	-3,966.17
Miscellaneous Revenue Totals:		4,425.00	4,425.00	9,693.45	-5,268.45

Other Financing Sources

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-970-028				0.00	2,112.82	-2,112.82
01-4-970-029				0.00	15,678.14	-15,678.14
01-4-970-089				0.00	2,828.88	-2,828.88
01-4-974-000			15,029.94	15,029.94	15,029.94	0.00
01-4-997-000				0.00	5,390.76	-5,390.76
01-4-999-900		107,916.00		107,916.00	107,916.00	0.00
01-4-999-901			214,997.21	214,997.21	214,997.21	0.00
01-4-999-902	88,802.22			88,802.22	88,802.22	0.00
01-4-999-903	174,784.66			174,784.66	174,784.66	0.00
01-4-999-904			55,810.43	55,810.43	55,810.43	0.00
Other Financing Sources Totals:		263,586.88	107,916.00	285,837.58	657,340.46	683,351.06
Grand Totals:		263,586.88	3,837,829.13	285,837.58	4,387,253.59	4,499,074.58
						-111,820.99

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Fund: 02

Encumbrances

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
02-5-123-400 Enc. Gen. Admin. Exp	13.75			13.75	13.75	0.00
02-5-210-400 Enc. PD Operations	24.45			24.45	24.45	0.00
02-5-220-400 Enc. FD General Operations	119.00			119.00	119.00	0.00
02-5-300-215 Rowe School Salary Enc 2015	13,879.47			13,879.47	13,879.47	0.00
02-5-421-000 Enc. Road Surface Maint	74,765.55			74,765.55		74,765.55
Totals:	88,802.22			88,802.22	14,036.67	74,765.55

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	8,500.00	2,000.00		10,500.00	2,500.00	8,000.00
03-5-135-420 Accounting Software Acquisition		3,462.00		3,462.00	3,462.00	0.00
03-5-141-800 Assessor's FY 18 Triennial Reva	2,736.64	15,000.00	29.94	17,766.58		17,766.58
03-5-150-151 New Computer Server	3,315.00			3,315.00	2,006.99	1,308.01
03-5-151-410 Solar Legal Expense	10,687.50			10,687.50		10,687.50
03-5-192-001 TH Tree Removal			4,000.00	4,000.00		4,000.00
03-5-192-002 Upgrade TH Smoke Det. System			2,478.00	2,478.00	2,000.00	478.00
03-5-192-003 TH Elevator Upgrade			4,000.00	4,000.00		4,000.00
03-5-192-840 TH Ceiling Tiles	1,075.60			1,075.60		1,075.60
03-5-192-860 Gazebo Replacement	7,596.42			7,596.42	195.00	7,401.42
03-5-210-810 Fire LED Exterior Lighting	2,300.00			2,300.00	1,184.97	1,115.03
03-5-220-001 Instructional Materials RVFD			2,409.95	2,409.95	2,409.95	0.00
03-5-220-002 First Responder Pagers			10,000.00	10,000.00	9,499.73	500.27
03-5-220-003 Em. Support Vehicle RVFD			3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00
03-5-220-820 Fire Dept. Turn Out Gear	2,566.34			2,566.34	2,566.34	0.00
03-5-291-000 EMS Medical Suction Unit			607.00	607.00	604.00	3.00
03-5-291-001 EAD Unit and Supplies			2,482.26	2,482.26	2,471.65	10.61
03-5-422-840 Bridge Rehab Program	113,852.50			113,852.50		113,852.50
03-5-439-001 Gate Repair Refuse Center			5,520.00	5,520.00	5,520.00	0.00
03-5-512-100 BOH Filing and Organization		555.00		555.00	441.93	113.07
03-5-610-810 Library Restroom	6,556.00			6,556.00		6,556.00
03-5-630-412 Pelham Brook Fbridge	231.98			231.98	231.98	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	548.06			548.06		548.06
Totals:	174,784.66	21,017.00	34,527.15	230,328.81	38,094.54	192,234.27

Fund: 21

Cultural Council

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
21-5-216-001 Piti Theatre-Syrup		50.00		50.00		50.00
21-5-216-002 Mohawk Music-Annapolis		250.00		250.00	250.00	0.00

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21-5-216-003	Zack Arfa-Potter Musical	200.00		200.00		200.00
21-5-216-004	Mohawk Trail Concerts	50.00		50.00		50.00
21-5-216-005	Mem. Hall-Dixie Swim	50.00		50.00		50.00
21-5-216-006	Heath Agric.-Heath Fair	170.00		170.00		170.00
21-5-216-007	Jon Diamond-Theatre	100.00		100.00		100.00
21-5-216-008	Stepanek-Ukelele	300.00		300.00	300.00	0.00
21-5-216-009	Ed the Wizard	350.00		350.00		350.00
21-5-216-010	FLT-Day on the River	80.00		80.00		80.00
21-5-216-011	Rowe Elem-Cultural Study	800.00		800.00		800.00
21-5-216-012	Rowe Elem-Science Museum	800.00		800.00		800.00
21-5-216-013	Rowe Historical-Electricity	100.00		100.00		100.00
21-5-216-014	Rowe Hist.-Industrial Past	100.00		100.00		100.00
21-5-216-015	Rowe Hist.-Dr Hayes	100.00		100.00		100.00
21-5-216-016	Dan Prasol-FCTS Drama	300.00		300.00	300.00	0.00
21-5-216-017	Leventhal-It's Your Story	200.00		200.00		200.00
21-5-690-005	Cultural Council	5,061.81	400.00	27.54	5,489.35	2,505.00
	Totals:	5,061.81	4,400.00	27.54	9,489.35	3,355.00
						6,134.35

Fund: 23

Highway Grants

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
23-5-422-090 Chapter 90	225,945.41	146,345.00		372,290.41		372,290.41
Totals:	225,945.41	146,345.00		372,290.41		372,290.41

Fund: 26

Revolving Funds (44 53E1/2)

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
26-5-300-555 School Programs	1,756.60	10,000.00	-2,785.35	8,971.25	7,214.65	1,756.60
26-5-433-001 Recycling Revolving Expense	3,174.94	5,000.00	-3,264.59	4,910.35	1,701.76	3,208.59
26-5-512-001 BOH Vaccine Purchase	659.16	6,000.00	-596.06	6,063.10	3,202.11	2,860.99
26-5-512-002 Emergency Dispensing Site Rev.		3,000.00	-2,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00
26-5-690-003 Old Home Day	1,835.99	5,000.00	-5,000.00	1,835.99		1,835.99
Totals:	7,426.69	29,000.00	-13,646.00	22,780.69	12,118.52	10,662.17

Fund: 27

Available Funds

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
27-5-999-000 Available Free Cash		371,773.00		371,773.00	317,068.21	54,704.79
Totals:		371,773.00		371,773.00	317,068.21	54,704.79

Fund: 28

School Grants & Special Funds

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
28-5-300-001 MAPHCO Grant		479.92		479.92	479.92	0.00
28-5-300-002 School Choice	82,729.22		97,354.00	180,083.22	80,628.06	99,455.16
28-5-300-003 School Lunch	6,793.30		10,897.48	17,690.78	11,376.69	6,314.09
28-5-300-004 Field Trip/Act Scholarship Gif	516.60		1,300.00	1,816.60	1,300.00	516.60
28-5-300-007 SPED-IDEA Grant 240-303,94-1	-4,896.08		20,470.92	15,574.84	14,011.12	1,563.72

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28-5-300-009	School Construction Ins Pro	-2,870.52		4,983.34	2,112.82	2,112.82	0.00
28-5-300-293	DG School Library Grant	13,812.16			13,812.16	13,781.11	31.05
28-5-300-295	Rowe School Capital Campaign	2,852.56			2,852.56	2,852.56	0.00
28-5-300-300	After School Program			320.00	320.00		320.00
28-5-300-305	Title I (305) Grant			27,891.52	27,891.52	16,850.76	11,040.76
28-5-300-500	Ed Jobs Grant 206-305	282.00		-262.01	19.99		19.99
28-5-300-503	REAP Grant	16,473.64			16,473.64	13,039.27	3,434.37
28-5-300-505	SPED Early Child 262	-262.01	1,457.00	512.01	1,707.00	250.00	1,457.00
28-5-300-506	SPED Pr Improv 274-333	89.00		3,510.00	3,599.00	3,510.00	89.00
28-5-300-511	Kindergarten Grant 701	18,260.27		3,900.00	22,160.27	3,900.00	18,260.27
28-5-300-512	Title 11A Improving Ed Quality	1,620.00			1,620.00		1,620.00
28-5-300-513	Early Childhood 298 FY16		1,750.00		1,750.00	1,750.00	0.00
28-5-300-551	After School Programs	241.10			241.10		241.10
28-5-500-504	RCC Cultural Study				0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
Totals:		135,641.24	3,686.92	170,877.26	310,205.42	166,842.31	143,363.11

Fund: 29

Miscellaneous Special Revenues

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
29-5-210-001	Police Donations Expense	1,230.00		1,230.00	1,230.00	0.00
29-5-220-000	FD First Resp. Donat. W Brown	200.00		200.00	200.00	0.00
29-5-220-214	2014 EMPG	-3,955.00	3,955.00	0.00		0.00
29-5-220-215	Vol. Fire Assist. Grant		3,680.00	3,680.00	3,680.00	0.00
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	1,178.28		1,178.28	1,178.28	0.00
29-5-500-001	MEMA09 Grant	12,060.82		12,060.82	12,060.82	0.00
29-5-500-002	Council on Aging Grant	3,142.42	1,357.58	4,500.00	834.84	3,665.16
29-5-500-007	DEP Recycling Grant	-153.88		-153.88	-153.88	0.00
29-5-500-403	Dare Grant-Police	36.88		36.88	36.88	0.00
29-5-500-404	Comm Policing Grant	38.79		38.79	38.79	0.00
29-5-500-413	DEP Small Scale	500.00	499.60	999.60	999.60	0.00
29-5-500-414	Library State Aid	4,880.32	1,902.11	6,782.43	5,019.95	1,762.48
29-5-560-001	Wetlands Protection	645.31	1,775.00	2,420.31		2,420.31
29-5-560-002	Cemetery Sale of Lots	763.00	100.00	863.00		863.00
29-5-580-171	PB Seaboard Solar Escrow	1,358.38		1,358.38		1,358.38
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	312.00	100.00	412.00		412.00
29-5-580-276	Brian Vega Scholarship Gift Ac	4,525.48	75.00	4,600.48	25.00	4,575.48
29-5-580-277	Library Gift Account	416.89		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	0.00
29-5-580-286	Greenfield Garden Club Grant	79.94		79.94		79.94
29-5-580-287	MTCRT Clean Energy Grant	203.00		203.00	203.00	0.00
29-5-580-288	DOER Green Comm. Grant 2016		154,776.00	154,776.00	154,776.00	0.00

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Totals:	31,520.70	154,776.00	13,444.29	199,740.99	180,562.35	19,178.64
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Fund: 33						
Capital Projects						
	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
33-5-192-000 Regional Broadband Network		860,000.00		860,000.00		860,000.00
Totals:		860,000.00		860,000.00		860,000.00

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 Non	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	3,723.72		5.59	3,729.31		3,729.31
82-5-281-001 Martha Henry Memorial Expend	5,532.52		13.13	5,545.65		5,545.65
82-5-281-002 Perpetual Care Cemeteries Expe	20,492.21		230.84	20,723.05		20,723.05
82-5-281-003 Rowe Library Fund Expendable	346.37		0.72	347.09		347.09
82-5-281-004 Charles Wells Mem. Library Exp	2,972.34		5.21	2,977.55		2,977.55
82-5-281-005 Preserved Smith Library Expend	828.14		2.75	830.89		830.89
82-5-281-006 Demons/Gould Mem Lib Expend	11,854.83		25.33	11,880.16		11,880.16
82-5-281-007 Foster Donation Expendable	3,110.58		4.69	3,115.27		3,115.27
82-5-281-008 A.B. White Mem Library Expen	4,079.42		8.27	4,087.69		4,087.69
82-5-281-009 L.Tower Jones Mem Library Exp	4,079.42		8.27	4,087.69		4,087.69
Totals:	57,019.55		304.80	57,324.35		57,324.35

Fund: 83						
Regular Stabilization						
	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
83-5-000-000 Available Stabilization	950,351.87	-43,350.00	105,498.02	1,012,499.89		1,012,499.89
83-5-123-800 Fireproof File Cabinets	2,302.00			2,302.00		2,302.00
83-5-141-000 Assessor's Triennial Reval. Stab.			0.00	0.00		0.00
83-5-192-001 Town Hall Exercise Rm. Ceiling		3,500.00	-850.24	2,649.76	2,649.76	0.00
83-5-192-002 Town Hall Exterior/Window Wa		2,600.00		2,600.00	2,600.00	0.00
83-5-192-003 Town Hall Cement Sidewalk Rep		9,000.00		9,000.00	5,500.00	3,500.00
83-5-192-450 Town Hall Generator Stab.			50,123.93	50,123.93		50,123.93
83-5-210-800 Police Protective Gear	73.59			73.59		73.59
83-5-217-001 School Technology			7,600.00	7,600.00		7,600.00
83-5-217-002 Municipal Audit			6,000.00	6,000.00		6,000.00

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83-5-217-003	Town Hall Bulkhead Door/Insula			1,500.00	1,500.00		1,500.00
83-5-217-004	EMS Updating Supplies			3,000.00	3,000.00		3,000.00
83-5-217-005	EMS Training			7,800.00	7,800.00		7,800.00
83-5-217-006	DPW/Fire Door Seals			3,000.00	3,000.00		3,000.00
83-5-217-007	FD-Handheld & Truck Radio			10,000.00	10,000.00		10,000.00
83-5-217-008	FD First Resp. Immunizations			2,300.00	2,300.00		2,300.00
83-5-217-009	Assessors Full Measure & List			9,000.00	9,000.00		9,000.00
83-5-217-010	Lukas Device			15,000.00	15,000.00		15,000.00
83-5-220-801	FD Haz. Materials Trailer	4,500.00		4,500.00	2,800.00	1,700.00	
83-5-220-802	FD Chain Saws	1,600.00	-75.66	1,524.34	1,524.34	0.00	
83-5-220-803	FD Portable Pump	1,750.00	-394.00	1,356.00	1,356.00	0.00	
83-5-220-804	FD Step Chair	3,000.00		3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	
83-5-220-820	Fire Dept. Turn Out Gear	968.33	-28.52	939.81	939.81	0.00	
83-5-231-001	Future Ambulance Services	19,000.00	3,000.00	-15,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	
83-5-300-001	School 3 MacBooks		2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00	
83-5-300-002	School 3 Chrome Books		900.00	-23.28	876.72	876.72	0.00
83-5-300-003	School 4 iPads		1,400.00		1,400.00	1,400.00	0.00
83-5-422-000	DPW Road Reclamation Stab.		75,882.41	75,882.41		75,882.41	
83-5-512-800	BOH Refuse Garden Lighting	2,796.00		2,796.00		2,796.00	
83-5-630-000	Park Playground Construction		5,000.00	5,000.00		5,000.00	
83-5-630-001	Park Gravel for T Court and Park		2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	
83-5-630-002	Park Fitness Center Equip		5,200.00	5,200.00		5,200.00	
83-5-970-000	Trans. To General Fund		15,029.94	15,029.94	15,029.94	0.00	
Totals:		975,491.79	3,000.00	295,362.60	1,273,854.39	42,576.57	1,231,277.82

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Capital Stabilization Accounts

Fund: 84

<u>Capital Stabilization Accounts</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
84-5-000-000	Unallocated Capitalization Stabil	731,338.21	60,760.00	-311,200.38	480,897.83		480,897.83
84-5-192-440	Energy Comm. Projects		28,000.00		28,000.00	28,000.00	0.00
84-5-192-450	Town Hall Generators		50,000.00	-50,000.00	0.00		0.00
84-5-217-001	DPW-Truck			240,000.00	240,000.00		240,000.00
84-5-217-002	Municipal Buildings Painting			30,000.00	30,000.00		30,000.00
84-5-217-003	FD-2 SCBA's			18,000.00	18,000.00		18,000.00
84-5-217-004	Library-Walkway, Stairs, Walls			12,000.00	12,000.00		12,000.00
84-5-217-005	BOH-Replace Trash Compactor			15,000.00	15,000.00		15,000.00
84-5-300-010	School Tractor w/Attachments		24,000.00	-441.55	23,558.45	23,558.45	0.00
84-5-422-010	DPW Road Reclamation/Maint		20,000.00	-20,000.00	0.00		0.00
84-5-630-850	Pelham Lake Man Study 215	10,000.00			10,000.00		10,000.00
84-5-999-083	Trans. To Fund 83			70,000.00	70,000.00	70,000.00	0.00
Totals:		741,338.21	182,760.00	3,358.07	927,456.28	121,558.45	805,897.83

Report Totals: 2,455,689.87 1,776,757.92 504,255.71 4,736,703.50 896,212.62 3,840,490.88

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Fund: 21

Cultural Council

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
21-4-690-005 Cultural Council Interest			27.54	27.54	27.54	0.00
21-4-690-006 Cultural Council State Funds		4,400.00		4,400.00	4,400.00	0.00
21-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	5,061.81			5,061.81		5,061.81
Totals:	5,061.81	4,400.00	27.54	9,489.35	4,427.54	5,061.81

Fund: 23

Highway Grants

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
23-4-422-000 rChapter 90 Revenue		146,345.00		146,345.00		146,345.00
23-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	225,945.41			225,945.41		225,945.41
Totals:	225,945.41	146,345.00		372,290.41		372,290.41

Fund: 26

Revolving Funds (44 53E1/2)

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
26-4-300-555 School Programs			7,214.65	7,214.65	7,214.65	0.00
26-4-433-001 Recycling Revolving Revenue			1,735.41	1,735.41	1,735.41	0.00
26-4-512-001 BOH Vaccine Purchase			1,263.94	1,263.94	1,263.94	0.00
26-4-970-001 Transfer from Gen Fund		1,000.00	4,140.00	5,140.00	5,140.00	0.00
26-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	7,426.69			7,426.69		7,426.69
Totals:	7,426.69	1,000.00	14,354.00	22,780.69	15,354.00	7,426.69

Fund: 27

Available Funds

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
27-4-999-000 Offset to Free Cash		371,773.00		371,773.00	317,068.21	54,704.79
Totals:		371,773.00		371,773.00	317,068.21	54,704.79

Fund: 28

School Grants & Special Funds

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
28-4-300-001 MAPHCO Grant		479.92		479.92	361.45	118.47
28-4-300-002 School Choice			97,354.00	97,354.00	97,354.00	0.00
28-4-300-003 School Lunch			10,897.48	10,897.48	10,897.48	0.00
28-4-300-004 Field Trip/Scholarship			1,300.00	1,300.00	1,300.00	0.00
28-4-300-007 SPED-IDEA Grant 240-303,			20,470.92	20,470.92	20,470.92	0.00
28-4-300-009 School Construction Ins Pro			4,983.34	4,983.34	4,983.34	0.00
28-4-300-300 After School Program			320.00	320.00	320.00	0.00
28-4-300-305 Title I (305) Grant			27,891.52	27,891.52	27,891.52	0.00
28-4-300-505 SPED Early Child 8-135		1,457.00	250.00	1,707.00	250.00	1,457.00
28-4-300-506 SPED Pr Improv 274-333			3,510.00	3,510.00	3,510.00	0.00
28-4-300-511 Kindergarten Grant 701			3,900.00	3,900.00	3,900.00	0.00
28-4-300-513 Early Childhood 298 FY16		1,750.00		1,750.00	1,750.00	0.00
28-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	135,641.24			135,641.24		135,641.24
Totals:	135,641.24	3,686.92	170,877.26	310,205.42	172,988.71	137,216.71

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Miscellaneous Special Revenue

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
29-4-220-214 r2014 EMPG			3,955.00	3,955.00	3,955.00	0.00
29-4-500-002 Council on Aging Grant			1,357.58	1,357.58	1,357.58	0.00
29-4-500-413 DEP Small Scale			499.60	499.60	499.60	0.00
29-4-500-414 Library State Aid			1,902.11	1,902.11	1,902.11	0.00
29-4-500-421 WRAP Winter Recovery Pro				0.00	21,958.00	-21,958.00
29-4-560-001 Wetlands Protection			1,775.00	1,775.00	1,775.00	0.00
29-4-560-002 Cemetary Sale of Lots			100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
29-4-580-274 Park Gift Account			100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00
29-4-580-276 Brian Vega Scholarship Gift			75.00	75.00	75.00	0.00
29-4-580-288 rDOER Green Comm. Grant		154,776.00		154,776.00	116,082.00	38,694.00
29-4-970-001 Trans from Gen Fund			3,680.00	3,680.00	3,680.00	0.00
29-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	31,520.70			31,520.70		31,520.70
Totals:	31,520.70	154,776.00	13,444.29	199,740.99	151,484.29	48,256.70

Fund: 33

Capital Projects

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
33-4-192-000 Regional Broadband Network		860,000.00		860,000.00		860,000.00
Totals:		860,000.00		860,000.00		860,000.00

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			5.59	5.59	5.59	0.00
82-4-281-001 Martha Henry Memorial Inter			13.13	13.13	13.13	0.00
82-4-281-002 Perpetual Care Cemeteries Int			230.84	230.84	230.84	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			5.21	5.21	5.21	0.00
82-4-281-005 Preserved Smith Library Inter			2.75	2.75	2.75	0.00
82-4-281-006 Demons/Gould Mem Lib Inte			25.33	25.33	25.33	0.00
82-4-281-007 Foster Donation Interest			4.69	4.69	4.69	0.00
82-4-281-008 A.B. White Mem Library Inte			8.27	8.27	8.27	0.00
82-4-281-009 L.Tower Jones Mem Library			8.27	8.27	8.27	0.00
82-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	57,019.55			57,019.55		57,019.55
Totals:	57,019.55		304.80	57,324.35	304.80	57,019.55

Fund: 83

Regular Stabilization

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
83-4-919-000 Stabilization Interest			4,326.32	4,326.32	4,326.32	0.00

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OTHER FUNDS REVENUE REPORT 2016 (Continued)

Town of Rowe FY 2016 Other Funds Revenue Report

as of 6/30/2016

83-4-919-001	Int. Asses. Triennial Reval St		29.94	29.94	29.94	0.00
83-4-919-002	int. DPW Road Reclamation		71.98	71.98	71.98	0.00
83-4-919-003	Int. TH Generators		123.93	123.93	123.93	0.00
83-4-970-001	Transfers from General Fund	3,000.00	220,810.43	223,810.43	223,810.43	0.00
83-4-970-084	Transfers from Capital Stabili		70,000.00	70,000.00	70,000.00	0.00
83-4-999-901	Funded by Carryovers	975,491.79		975,491.79		975,491.79
Totals:		975,491.79	3,000.00	295,362.60	1,273,854.39	298,362.60
						975,491.79

Fund: 84

Capital Stabilization Accounts

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
84-4-919-001	Capital Stabilization Interest		3,358.07	3,358.07	3,358.07	0.00
84-4-970-001	Transfers from General Fund	182,760.00		182,760.00	182,760.00	0.00
84-4-999-901	Funded by Carryovers	741,338.21		741,338.21		741,338.21
Totals:		741,338.21	3,358.07	927,456.28	186,118.07	741,338.21

Report Totals: 2,192,102.99 1,727,740.92 497,728.56 4,417,572.47 1,146,108.22 3,271,464.25

TREASURER REPORT 2016

General Fund Cash	\$946,228.60
School Agency Account	\$6,043.98
Arts Lottery	\$6434.35
Trust Funds	\$69,981.94
Stabilization Accounts	\$2,040,079.96
Total All Cash 6/30/2016	\$3,068,768.83

Trust Funds FY2016

Name of Fund	Balance 6/30/2016
M. Wells Memorial Library	\$8,759.16
Cemetery	\$20,723.05
Rowe Library Gift	\$483.17
Charles Wells Library	\$3,477.55
Preserved Smith Library	\$1,830.89
Gould Library	\$16,880.16
Foster Donation	\$3,115.27
White Memorial Library	\$5,491.69
L. Tower/Jones Library	\$5,491.69
Rowe Memorial Scholarship	\$3,729.31
TOTALS	\$69,981.94

Stabilization Funds FY2016

General Stabilization	\$1,108,175.79
Capital Stabilization	805,897.83
Town Hall Complex Stabilization	\$50,123.93
Road Reclamation Stabilization	\$75,882.41

Balance as of June 30, 2016	\$ 2,040,079.96
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Respectfully submitted,
Kristi Nartowicz



HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT 2016

Every year, the Rowe Highway Department does the best we can to serve the town with flaw free travel. Routine maintenance during the year included:

- Cleaning and repair of shoulders and catch basins/blowing leaves out of ditches/cleaning out bleeders for water roadside run-off
- Street sweeping
- Grade dirt roads/adding gravel to dirt roads
- Waterway cleaning/basin cleaning
- Roadside mowing
- Brush clearing
- Tree maintenance
- Upkeep of the Town Common and traffic islands/Transfer Station lawn

This year was a warm Summer and very dry. There is a new truck added to the fleet. Old Home Day set up went as summer rolled on with help from the Park Dept., Thank you.

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. Learned
DPW Superintendent

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT – SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM 2016

The “Grasshopper” program, under the direction of Summer Youth Employee (SYE) Supervisor Brianna Derecho did a great job with the crew this past summer. This is very hard work under hot and humid conditions which made some days off for their safety for health.

The crew: Hanna Polanski, Kurt Shipped, Jocelyn Crowningshield, Mackenzie Coulomb, David Hobbs, Tyler Rice and Hailey Learned.

There are 36 miles of roads 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!

Respectfully submitted,
Lance P. Learned
DPW Superintendent

TREE WARDEN 2016

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.

Anyone with questions or concerns about roadside trees please contact me at 413-339-5588.

Respectfully submitted,
Lance P. Learned
DPW Superintendent



Lego Club at the Library

Pictured left to right: Anthony Aviles, Camden Cousineau and Mason Clark

COUNCIL ON AGING 2016

The Rowe Council on Aging would like to acknowledge the passing of many of our seniors Dorothy Klaus, Richard Alex, Barbara Grogan, and Ian Verne's in 2016. They will be truly missed but not forgotten.

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, would like to send a big thank you to Rosie and Ronnie Gordon for their assistance helping their fellow seniors entering and exiting the bus and taking their packages to their doors. We also, have FRTA out of Greenfield that provides a Medical Ride service for seniors that need to go to medical appointments that are outside the territory and is not covered by the Shelburne Falls Senior Center. Several seniors have taken advantage of this service that is also subsidized by the COA Formula Grant.

During the year our Co-Chairman, Sandy Daviau, handles the extensive paperwork involving Elder Services provided by the EOEA (Executive Office of Elder Affairs) and submits the budgets for the year and keeps close watch over the spending. 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.

Once again, 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 Debby Lively (Exercise Monitor) and Jodi Fontaine (Exercise Trainer and Instructor) for their assistance in helping to keep our seniors fit.

The Gracy House Community Center is the center of senior get-togethers, featuring a monthly Birthday Cake in celebration of our seniors with birthdays occurring that month. A variety of senior functions are held at the Gracy House, including Bingo (with our caller Bob Dykeman), BBQ's (with Bob Dykeman as our Chef). Thank you so much for your assistance Bob. We also hold Luncheons and Christmas Party sing-a-longs. 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.

January 15th, a variety of delicious homemade soups were provided by our 7 member committee. (A great way to warm up a cold, snowy month). On January 29th we held a Bingo party with snacks and prizes.

The COA would like to acknowledge and thank the Rowe Fire Department for providing smoke detectors and CO2 monitors when needed to our seniors.

In February, we had a Pizza Party with a variety of combinations.

March 11th a gala event was held at the Crazy Horse Restaurant at Berkshire East. A choice menu to satisfy everyone's hunger and included entertainment by an Elvis Impersonator (Johnny King & Kelly) rocked the joint. We would like to thank the Rowe Cultural Council for making our entertainer possible.

On April 17th after feasting at the French King Restaurant, several attended the French King Bowling Alley for a little fun.

On May 20th a variety of pizza from the Berkshire Pizzeria was served at the Gracy House. Bill Knittle (Principal of Rowe Elementary) was invited to speak about a senior volunteer program to get some of our seniors to share their experiences and knowledge with the Rowe students.

June brought Hot and Cold Grinders event. Sandy's special Grinder Sauce was an added feature. The COA Committee also featured (2) ice cream socials with all the fixings in June and July.

It was with profound regret in June that the committee accepted Mary Ann Dykeman's resignation. Her wit and liveliness and attention to detail will be sorely missed. Thank you Mary Ann for your many years of service.

August 5th we had an Ice Cream Social and were enjoyed by all.

On September 1st, Florence Veber was unanimously welcomed by all our members to join our COA committee. On September 30th we had a delicious meal at the Wagon Wheel Restaurant in Gill and later for a cold but very picturesque and informative ride on the Quinnetukut II Riverboat.

October 28th was a Cider and Donuts and November 18th we served delicious homemade pies baked by Rachel Gammell. (Very pleasing to the pallet).

On December 9th we enjoyed a wonderful meal at the Roadside Restaurant in Wilmington VT.

A Birthday card with congratulatory wishes was sent to Florence Bjork who celebrated her 100th Birthday.

The year ended with a “Cookie and Caroling” event (led by Helen Shields and Prue Berry) their voices remain strong, true and full of hope for the New Year. Homemade cookies made by the Committee were served. Many thanks to Helen Shields and Pru Berry for their exquisite voices, leading us in our all-time favorite Christmas Carols.

Along with the party we also held a Flu Clinic with our town nurse, Sheila Litchfield and Lisa White (Cooperative Public Health Service) which was very successful.

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

Once more 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.

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
Doris Fensky, Member
Shirley Veber, Member
Florence Veber, Member

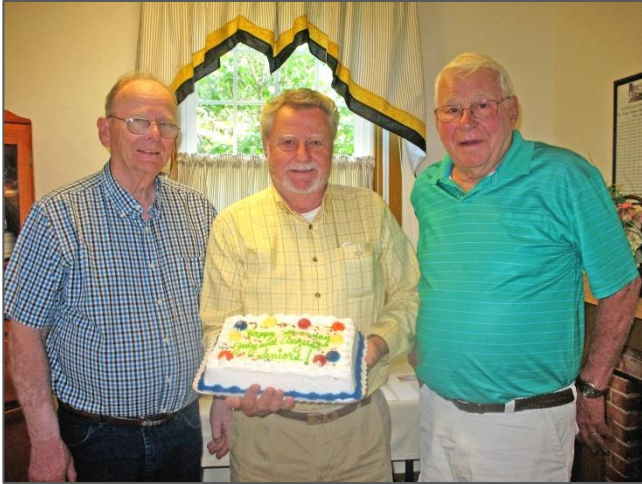


Sue Wood & Russ Jolly at the 'Roadhouse' Wilmington, VT



Judy Pierce, Helen Danek & Florence Veber at French King

BIRTHDAY CAKE TRADITION AT COUNCIL ON AGING EVENTS



Bob Dykeman, Ed Daviau & Lenny Laffond



Loretta Dionne, Doug Wilson
& Shirley Veber



Pru Berry



Susan Gleason & Anne Besgen



Ron Gordon & Jodi Brown



Doris Fensky & Florence Veber

CULTURAL COUNCIL 2016

The Local Cultural Council is charged with awarding State Grant money to promote rich cultural experiences for every Massachusetts citizen. The Council awarded grants to promote culture in Rowe, as a priority, and to other events, exhibits, music and theater in the area for residents to enjoy and benefit from.

2016 Grant Recipients were as follows:

Piti Theatre	\$50.00
Zack Arfa-Potter Musical	\$200.00
Mohawk Trail Concerts	\$50.00
Memorial Hall – “Dixie Swim” Production	\$50.00
Heath Agricultural Fair – Music Events	\$170.00
Jon Diamond – Youth Theatre	\$100.00
Ed the Wizard	\$350.00
Franklin Land Trust – “Day on the River”	\$80.00
Rowe Elementary – Cultural Study	\$800.00
Rowe Elementary – Science Museum	\$800.00
Rowe Historical Society – Electricity Exhibit	\$100.00
Rowe Historical Society – Industrial Past	\$100.00
Rowe Historical Society – Dr. Hayes Exhibit	\$100.00
Leventhal – It’s Your Story	\$200.00

We would like to acknowledge outgoing members Ellynn Packard, Kelle Quist, and Sue Wood for their contributions and service. Members Jody Brown and Anne Besgen welcome new members B.J. Roche, Paulette Roccio and Laurie Pike.

Respectfully submitted,

B.J. Roche, Chair
Anne Besgen
Jody Brown
Laurie Pike
Paulette Roccio

LIBRARY TRUSTEES 2016

2016 was another year of change at the library. We welcomed new staff, a few new bookcases, many new patrons and beautiful new stone steps and stone walls in front of the building.

The Library held many programs throughout the year. Ed the Wizard kicked off our summer reading program with a great magic show. The summer reading program had a great group of 25 kids that participated throughout the summer. Book group returned to the library this fall, meeting one Monday afternoon a month, with a great group of women. New members are always welcome. Lego club and kids crafts are held

monthly on early release days from school. Davis Bates entertained a small group of residents with stories and songs of the season during the holiday season. Cookbook club has been meeting monthly with a small group of friends who gather on a Saturday and sample recipes each have made.

The Energy Committee submitted many helpful grants to help the library with energy efficiency. Early in the year 3 Mitsubishi heat pumps were installed to help heat all parts of the library more cost effectively. Around the same time they also insulated the attic and crawl spaces of the library to help prevent heat loss and help prevent ice from forming on the roof. Vermont Stonework removed the old stone steps and stonewalls. They replaced them with beautifully built new steps and walls, Steve Crowningshield finished the look by installing a black metal railing. Three of the library nonfiction bookshelves were replaced with custom made mobile shelving made by Hilltown Custom Cabinets.

Carrie Silva found a new job opportunity and we were very sad to see her go. We are happy to invite Tara Herzig and Danielle Larned to the library staff. Abby Lively has been a very welcome addition to the staff, this summer she 'ran away to the circus' and Ken Bradley saved the summer helping keep the library running smoothly all summer.

We continue to discard worn and outdated items to make way for new materials with our limited shelf space. In 2016 the library added 749 new books, dvd's, audios and other materials for kids and adults. We hold a collection of 12,023 items including books, movies, audios, music CDs, The Recorder and magazines. The library also purchases museum passes for patrons to use, currently the library has Mass Moca, The Clark and Massachusetts State Parks pass. 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:
Catherine Snyder, Chair
Kelle Quist
Karen Soviecke



Library Stairway Replacement Project



Stairway Completion

OLD HOME DAY 2016

Old Home Day 2016 was held on Saturday, July 16th, featuring new and old favorite activities. Events started on Saturday morning with the annual fishing derby at the causeway followed by a 4-mile run race and a trail run race at Pelham Lake Park.

A new event added this year was the popular “Mozzarella Cheese Making” workshop taught by Sheila Litchfield held at the Gracy House. Attendees left with a delicious pound of cheese.

A craft fair, organized by Robin Reed lined the Town Common. 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 popular Church Silent Auction on the Common was serenaded by The Grey Whisker Pickers.

Kids’ events at the Town Common included Bouncy Attractions, Face Painting, Tractor Rides, Laser Tag and Tractor Rides by Dohn Sherman. The Southern Vermont Museum Animal Show and Exhibit mesmerized people with up close views of raptors and owls.

Ongoing at the Lake were Boat Rides on the SS Percy Brown by Park Staff, Pie Eating Contests for Youth, Teens and Adults and a Pie Making Contest.

Later in the day, at the lake a new talent show featured local performers, followed by “Small Change Band”, a delicious pig roast while DJ Tom Mayo provided music. The perfect ending was a spectacular Fireworks display by Atlas Fireworks.

We thank Highway Superintendent Lance Larned and the Highway Department Staff for going above and beyond to support this year’s event. Lance spent several days making sure the tents were put up , running to Greenfield to pick up rentals, putting out tables/chairs/trash cans etc. Every time we needed something he was there to help even after normal work hours.

We also recognize The Rowe Volunteer Fire Department. We thank Fire Chief Brandon Sprague for his professionalism hosting the Emergency Vehicle Rally and CPR Demonstrations by Community 911. Firefighters Gary Singley, Steven Fisher and Jason Beagle also helped with the event. The Emergency Vehicle Rally was attended by our mutual aid towns of Colrain, Charlemont, Hawley, Plainfield, Shelburne Falls. Firefighter Stephen Beagle rounded out the day by standing by with the Fire Truck for the fireworks. The Fire Department also took event trash to the refuse gardens the following morning.

We would like to thank Park Ranger Sean Loomis and his Staff for his contributions to events. Old Home Day cannot exist without the work from our Town volunteers; we give a big “THANK YOU”!

Respectfully Submitted,

Jodi Brown
Loretta Dionne
Jennifer Morse
Mary Paige
Robin Reed
Christine Tower



OLD HOME DAY FUN 2016

Photographs by Wayne Zavotka

PARK COMMISSION 2016

Pelham Lake Park is where people of Rowe gather with their guests for recreation, celebration, and education. Folks of all ages learn and play in this beautiful setting so graciously provided by Percy Brown and supported through the wisdom and foresight of our town. Each season offers something unique to be enjoyed by residents of all ages from the sun-filled days on the beach, the spectacular foliage hikes in autumn, to the serenity of skiing and snowshoeing in winter. We invite you to enjoy this jewel in our midst.

At different moments one can experience the solitude of a wooded trail, the joyful play of children on the beach, diving off the raft, a raucous volleyball game, or the quiet of casting for bass in a cove.

Here is a summary of the PARK ACTIVITIES overseen by the Park Ranger, staff and commissioners:

- The four-week SUMMER NATURE PROGRAM had up to thirty-five participants. Activities included classic field games, hiking, fire building, kite flying, free swim, and solar car construction. The staff for this program included: Beth Flaherty (Program Director), Mary Paige (Program Asst.), Grace Poplawski, Gianna Paige and Sara Paige (Program Workers).
- Two weeks of SWIM LESSONS directed by the YMCA of Greenfield benefited thirty-five children. Swim lessons took place during the Summer Nature Program making it more convenient for parents.
- A one- week ADVENTURE PROGRAM for 8-12 year olds was led by Park Ranger Sean Loomis and assisted by Park Commissioners Laurie Pike and Rich Hamilton. Activities included raft and shelter building, an overnight camp-out at the new lean-to on Adams Mt., a hike to the summit of Mt. Monadnock, and a raft trip down the Deerfield River with Zoar Outdoor.
- There were two Senior Picnics hosted by park staff.
- The Spring Fishing Derby was held at the home of Bill Loomis. The fish were generously donated by the Berkshire Fish Hatchery; 15 children participated.
- The annual Town Easter Egg Hunt was held at the park on the Saturday of Easter weekend.
- Rowe Elementary School Activities involving use of the park and/or assistance from the Park Ranger this school year included:
 1. Shelter building, fire starting and campfire cooking (3-4th grades)
 2. Learning about Fish Stocking (Primary Class)
 3. Chaperoning Winter Enrichment ski days (whole school)
 4. Assisting in Winter Shelter Building (whole school)

The 2016 SUMMER PARK STAFF included: Madison Baker (AR Class 1), Spencer Laffond and Isaac Paige (AR Class 2), Emma Poplawski and John Demech (AR Class 3), Erin Laffond and Jordan Rice (AR Class 4), Josh Paige and Eric Paige (Lifeguards).

The fitness center is a wonderful resource for residents. It's located on the second floor of the 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, yoga, and pilates classes are offered. Yoga class in the peaceful setting of the beach is offered weather permitting.

PARK MAINTENANCE PROJECTS:

- New water bars and trail repair on Old Kings Highway, Percy Brown, and Davenport Trails.
- Repair and replacement of bog bridges on Lakeview Trail
- New pavilion at the beach picnic area

- Replacement of the canoe and kayak rack at the boat launch area
- Removal of the dead and dying pine trees at Percy's Point
- Maintenance of an Ice Skating rink on the lake
- Grooming the x-country ski trails

The Park Commissioners would like to give a special thank you to our Park Ranger Sean Loomis and his staff for all of their hard work and efforts in making this a successful year at Pelham Lake Park.

Respectfully submitted,

Pelham Lake Park Commissioners
 Rich Hamilton, Chairman
 Laurie Pike
 Michael Phillips



Spencer, Erin & Madison



Madison Baker at the helm



new SUP Support



2016 Easter Egg Hunt



Summer Nature, Recreation & Adventure Programs





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FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT 2016

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 2016 shows almost an identical amount of recycling tonnage since 2014. District residents recycled almost 1,700 tons of paper and just over 1,100 tons of mixed containers, which were processed at the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility.

In 2016, 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 62 tons of material were recycled or disposed of from the two collections. A total of 550 households participated in these collection events.

We held our annual household hazardous waste collection in October 2016. This event allows residents to properly dispose of toxic cleaners, automotive products, pesticides, and other toxic products. A total of 313 households participated in this event. 50% of participants were using the collection for the first time.

We applied for and received grants from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection worth \$88,350 for District towns. Some grant funding relates to the town’s successful waste management infrastructure. Other grants include equipment to make a town’s transfer station more efficient.

We continued to bale wood pellet bags and agricultural plastic in our second year of this recycling program. We manage the recycling and composting program at the Franklin County Fair and assist other events with waste reduction efforts. We 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*

The Franklin Regional Council of Governments provides a variety of services and programming to the municipalities of Franklin County and to the greater Franklin County region. The FRCOG's 2016 Annual Report, which will be available in April of 2017 and on www.frcog.org shortly thereafter, will highlight our work over the past year. Specific services to the Town of Rowe in 2016 included the following:

Administration and Special Projects

- Staff worked with members of the Selectboard, Finance Committee, and the Executive Secretary to develop wide-ranging Town financial policies as part of the Baker-Polito Community Compact Program. By formally accepting the policies, the Town has earned points toward future state grant opportunities.
- 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 in facilitating meetings, presented information, and conducted follow-up communication.

Collective Bidding & Purchasing Program

- Rowe contracted with the FRCOG to receive cooperative bid pricing for up to 24 different Highway Products and Services. Total estimated highway needs for FY17 is \$603,679.
- Rowe participated in the #2 Fuel, Gasoline, and Diesel Fuel bids.
- Rowe participated in the Dog Tags and Licenses collective bid program.
- Rowe participated in the Elevator Maintenance program.
- The Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) issued a bid for Weatherization Projects.
- The CPO issued bids for Wood Pellet Boiler installation.

Cooperative Public Health Service Health District

As of July 1, 2016, Rowe became a comprehensive member of the CPHS health district, sharing health agents and a regional public health nurse. *Please find the services provided by this FRCOG program as a separate entry to the Rowe Town Report.*

Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program

- Staff issued 28 building permits, 22 electrical permits & 18 plumbing/gas permits for Rowe in 2016. 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 137 Mohawk students, representing 63% of the 8th, 10th, and 12th grade classes. Survey data meets federal requirements for the school and is valuable for grant-writing and program planning.
- Staff presented to the CPHS Annual Meeting on the Healthy Community Design Toolkit, Volume 2: Municipal Strategies to Increase Food Access.

Planning and Development Department

- Staff assisted the town in updating their Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, which was approved by FEMA on June 30, 2016.
- Staff prepared a Draft Business Plan and Legislation 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.

Regional Preparedness Program

- Staff conducted quarterly contact drills and a site notification drill to test the *Hawlemont Emergency Dispensing Site Plan*.
- Staff designed and executed a drill that tested the Plan for the use of the Incident Command System, set up of the emergency operations center, and the receipt of medical countermeasures from the Strategic National Stockpile.
- Rowe entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the FRCOG to recognize the Multi-Agency Coordination Center as the official organization to assist them with emergency management needs.

Workshops & Training

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

Cooperative Public Health Service

ServSafe/Choke Saver/Allergen Training Series — 2

Food Systems — 2

Municipal Official Continuing Education Series

Municipal Law — 1

Partnership for Youth

Advanced LifeSkills — 1 representative of the Mohawk Trail Regional School District

Planning, Conservation, and Development

Zoning Exemptions — 1

Regional Preparedness Program

Hawlemont Emergency Dispensing Site Drill — 1

Western Regional Homeland Security Advisory Council

Active Shooter Symposium — 1

FRANKLIN REGIONAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM 2015

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

Annual Report for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2015

To the reader:

The Franklin Regional Retirement System is a government agency that serves the 503 retirees, 51 beneficiaries, 951 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 2015, we are 78.2% funded at 27 years (67.5%) 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.

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 2015	CY 2014	CY 2013
<u>Balances</u>			
Cash	1,027,504	1,370,581	2,107,878
Investments	115,356,788	118,166,255	112,129,229
Receivables	448,896	523,687	272,477
Payables	1,376,958	81,595	100,714
Annuity Savings (members)	28,029,622	26,866,304	27,949,619
Retirement Reserves	90,180,524	93,275,814	86,459,252
<u>Revenues</u>			
Member's contributions	3,513,770	3,270,926	3,187,508
Towns, Schools, Agencies	5,645,116	5,418,158	5,605,588
Retirement Cost Sharing	472,213	466,031	439,735
Miscellaneous Revenue	20,122	19,414	20,752
Investment Income (net)	1,259,131	9,063,675	18,879,116
<u>Expenses</u>			
Retirement Benefits	8,432,951	7,980,270	7,437,506
Operating Expenses	469,365	403,803	373,095
Investment Expenses	687,629	720,626	657,782
Retirement Cost Sharing	2,884,282	3,028,026	960,334
Refunds to Members	368,098	372,232	396,387
<u>Investment Performance</u>			
Target	7.75%	7.75%	7.88%
Since 1984	8.34%	8.59%	8.59%
10 years	6.57%	7.25%	7.28%
5 years	8.49%	11.39%	13.33%
Current Year	1.11%	8.42%	19.80%
<u>Demographics</u>			
	01/01/2014	01/01/2012	01/01/2010
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 2016

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

2016 is the first full year our district has been in existence. We continue to be the largest district by community count and square miles covered in the state. 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)

We have continued to work hard helping veterans and dependents file for VA benefits due them. Our awarded claims have kept pace with CY16, bringing in close to \$300,000.00 in new claim money for our clients. Overall, the district has over \$1,500,000.00 in VA awards flowing into our towns on a monthly basis.

After seeing a large reduction in M.G.L. Ch115 payouts in CY15 we have leveled off this year. We forecast this caseload to remain flat for the foreseeable future for our towns. Although reimbursed back to the towns at 75%, this takes over a year to get back from the state, so reducing payouts up front has freed up funds for the member towns.

For the coming year we will continue to assist veterans, conduct outreach events, and will emphasize programs for the dependents of veterans, particularly the elderly population.

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 Myrifield)
Incorporated February 9, 1785

Population:	393 (2010 U.S. Census)
Population:	392 (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 2016 Tax Rates and Assessed Valuations:

CLASS	TAX RATE	VALUATION	LEVY	% OF TOTAL
Residential	\$ 6.03 per thousand	\$ 51,306,024.00	\$ 309,153.55	8.70944%
Commercial	13.31 per thousand	250,691.00	3,336.93	0.09401%
Industrial	13.31 per thousand	174,828,500.00	2,327,126.60	65.5596 %
Personal Property	13.31 per thousand	68,366,376.00	910,018.74	25.637 %
Total		\$ 294,751,59.00	\$3,549,636.82	100.00 %

Fiscal Year 2016 Appropriations and Charges

Appropriations	\$3,825,163.00
Cherry Sheet Offsets	95,554.00
Cherry Sheet Charges	64,133.00
Snow & Ice Deficit	00.00
Allowance for Abatements & Exemptions	34,515.69
Other	<u>196,541.00</u>
Total	\$4,215,906.91

Fiscal Year 2016 Revenue Sources

Tax Levy	\$3,549,636.82
Cherry Sheet	256,137.00
Local Receipts	54,210.00
Free Cash	25,000.00
Other Available Funds	<u>330,924.09</u>
Total	\$4,215,906.91

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OFFICIAL RESULTS – January 11, 2016

Town Clerk: Jennifer A. Morse
Moderator: Robert J. Clancy
Constable: Robert Dykeman
Board of Selectmen: Marilyn Wilson (Chair), Susan Glean (Vice Chair), Walter Quist

The Special Town Meeting was held on Monday January 11, 2016 at the Rowe Elementary School. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Moderator Robert J. Clancy. There were Thirty (30) registered voters present and One (1) audience member. Moderator Clancy turned to the Board of Selectmen for comment before reading the special town meeting warrant.

Board of Selectmen Chair Marilyn Wilson shared that the certified free cash amount is \$371,773. The monetary amounts on the special town meeting articles are \$34,997 and the \$150,000 to stabilization leaves the total free cash at \$186,776.

ARTICLE 1: A motion was made and seconded to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$2,409.95 to purchase instructional materials for the Rowe Volunteer Fire Department.

Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 2: A motion was made and seconded to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$10,000.00 to purchase twenty (20) new pagers for the First Responders on the Fire Department.

Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 3: A motion was made and seconded to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$4,000.00 to remove the trees in the front of Town Hall.

Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 4: A motion was made and seconded to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$5,520.00 to repair the gate at the Refuse Center.

Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 5: A motion was made and seconded to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$3,000.00 to purchase an Emergency Support Vehicle for the Rowe Volunteer Fire Department.

Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 6: A motion was made and seconded to create an Assessors Triennial Evaluations Stabilization Account with the \$15,000.00 which was voted on May 11, 2015 at the Rowe Annual Town Meeting.

Two-Thirds Vote Required
Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 7: A motion was made and seconded to create a Road Reclamation Stabilization Account with the \$20,000.00 which was voted on May 11, 2015 at the Rowe Annual Town Meeting.

Two-Thirds Vote Required
Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 8: A motion was made and seconded to create a Stabilization Account for Town Hall Complex generators with the \$50,000.00 which was voted on May 11, 2015 at the Rowe Annual Town Meeting.

***Two-Thirds Vote Required
Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands***

ARTICLE 9: A motion was made and seconded to establish the position of Relief Animal Control Officer and to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$500.00 to fund this position.

Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 10: A motion was made and seconded to move \$3,000.00 from the Treasurer Line Item 01-5-145-100 to the Assistant Treasurer Compensation Line Item 01-5-145-110.

Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 11: A motion was made and seconded Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$ 2,478.00 to upgrade and repair the smoke detection system and replace faulty smoke detectors in Town Hall

Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 12: A motion was made and seconded to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$ 4,000.00 to repair and bring up to code the Town Hall elevator.

Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 13: A motion was made and seconded to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$607.00 to purchase a suction unit for the Emergency Medical Service.

Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 14: A motion was made and seconded to Appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$2,482.26 to purchase necessary supplies, including an Automatic External Defibrillator.

Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 15: A motion was made and seconded to move \$ 150,000.00 into Stabilization from Free Cash.

***Two-Thirds Vote Required
Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands***

ARTICLE 16: To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting.

No Business Brought Forth

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer A. Morse
Rowe Town Clerk
January 14, 2016



A true copy, Attest:

Jennifer A. Morse – Town Clerk

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OFFICIAL RESULTS – March 23, 2016

Town Clerk: Jennifer Morse
Moderator: Robert J. Clancy
Constable: Robert Dykeman
Board of Selectmen: Marilyn Wilson (Chair), Susan Gleason (Vice-Chair), Walt Quist

The Special Town Meeting was held on Wednesday March 23, 2016 at Rowe Elementary School at 86 Pond Road. The meeting was attended by Twenty-Three (23) registered voters with no audience present. The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Moderator Clancy. After the pledge of allegiance and reading of the warrant Moderator Clancy turned to the Board of Selectmen for any business before the meeting began.

ARTICLE 1: A motion was made and seconded to transfer \$2,000.00 from Snow & Ice Removal to DPW Heating Oil.

Passes Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 2: A motion was made and seconded to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$25,000.00 to supplement the Group Health Insurance line item.

Passes Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 3: A motion was made and seconded to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$5,000.00 to supplement the FICA/Medicare Tax line.

Passes Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 4: To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting.

No Business Brought Forth

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Special Town Meeting at 6:10 p.m. –

Unanimous Vote

Moderator Clancy made an announcement that he will be hosting a Candidates Night prior to the Annual Town Election.

Respectfully Submitted:
Jennifer A. Morse
Rowe Town Clerk
March 25, 2016



A true copy, Attest:

Jennifer A. Morse

Date

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OFFICIAL RESULTS - May 9, 2016 – FY17

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OFFICIAL RESULTS FY2017 Town of Rowe COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Moderator: Robert Clancy

Town Clerk: Jennifer Morse

Board of Selectmen: Marilyn Wilson – Chair, Susan Gleason – Vice Chair, Walter Quist

Town Counsel: Donna MacNicol

Constable: Robert Dykeman

Tellers: Chris Hyytinen, Marjorie Morse

The Fiscal Year 2017 Annual Town Meeting was held on Monday May 9, 2016 at the Rowe Elementary School; 86 Pond Road. There were approximately forty-nine (49) registered voters in attendance and Seven (7) audience members. The meeting was called to order by Moderator Clancy at 7 p.m. A moment of silence in memory of Rowe Residents: Richard Alix, Francis Benson, June Brown, Marion Dandeneau, Dorothy Kalas, John Rossi, Betty Scrivens, Jean Stamford, and Joseph Vadeboncoeur was observed. The moderator swore Chris Hyytinen and Marjorie Morse in as tellers for the meeting. The moderator then led the audience in the pledge of allegiance and reviewed the meeting rules before the reading of the warrant. The moderator turned to the Board of Selectmen for comment before the reading of the first article. Marilyn Wilson spoke regarding the handouts available including the following documents; the Annual Town Meeting Warrant, Supplemental Financial Document, Amendments to the Annual Town Meeting, School Committee Statement. Board of Assessors Chair Frederick Williams shared the estimated tax rate if all articles passed. The residential rate would go from \$6.03 to \$6.20 and the Personal Property/Commercial rate would go from \$13.31 to \$13.69.

The following elected position will be on the ballot for the Annual Town Election to be held on Saturday May 14, 2016. The polls will be open from 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 two (2) years
- 1 Library Trustee for three (3) years
- 1 Moderator (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
- 1 School Committee Member for two (2) years
- 1 Tax Collector (3) years

ARTICLE 1: The article was read, moved and seconded to act on reports of the Town Officers and Committees.

Article 1 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

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 Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 3: A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint an Executive Secretary pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41 Section 23A.

Article 3 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

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 2017 fiscal year.

Administration

General Administration	\$ 131,870.00
Executive Secretary	45,045.00
Administrative Assistant	6,811.00
Town Hall Custodian Wages	13,002.00
Moderator Stipend	439.00
Select Board Stipends	5,928.00
Legal	10,000.00
Tax Collector Stipend	7,629.00
Tax Collector Operations	7,290.00
Treasurer Stipend and Wages	20,316.00
Town Clerk Stipend	12,973.00
Town Clerk Expenses	7,350.00
Conservation Commission	1,500.00
Council on Aging	4,600.00
Energy Committee	500.00
Veteran's Services	2,233.00
FRCOG Services	23,384.00
Town Accountant	15,732.00
Town Accounting Expenses	2,530.00
Subtotal General Government	\$ 319,132.00

Assessors Office

Assessors' Stipends and Wages	15,156.00
Assessors' Operations	8,200.00
Subtotal Assessors	\$ 23,356.00

Planning Board

Planning Board	6,406.00
Planning Board Goal Post	12,403.00
Subtotal Planning Board	\$ 18,809.00

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT FROM TAXATION

\$ 361,297.00

Article 4 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Town will vote to **Appropriate the sum of \$15,015.48*** from the **Assessors' Triennial Revaluation Stabilization Fund** to the **Assessors' FY18 Triennial Revaluation Fund** or the exact amount.

Two – thirds vote required to pass the article

***Article 5 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands
Declared Two-Thirds By Moderator***

ARTICLE 6: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE** and **APPROPRIATE** the sum of **\$11,000.00** for the **Assessors' FY18 Triennial Revaluation Fund**.

Two – thirds vote required to pass the article

**Article 6 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands
Declared Two-Thirds By Moderator**

ARTICLE 7: 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 the extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures for the 2017 fiscal year.

Article 7 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 8: 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 2017 fiscal year.

Highway Department

DPW Salary and Wages	\$ 287,867.00
DPW Operations	274,910.00
Subtotal Highway Department	\$ 562,777.00

Other Public Works & Facilities

Street Lighting	\$ 5,500.00
Municipal Light Plant	1,000.00
Subtotal Other Public Works & Facilities	6,500.00

Cemetery \$ 15,000.00

TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES FROM TAXATION **\$ 584,277.00**

Article 8 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 9: A motion was made and seconded to **Appropriate** from available funds the sum of **\$146,389.00** 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 9 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 10: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for **Public Safety** for the 2017 fiscal year.

Police Department

Police Salaries	\$ 50,358.00
Police Operations	8,850.00
Subtotal Police Department	\$ 59,208.00

Fire Department

Fire Department Stipends	\$ 25,232.00
Fire Department General Operations	31,017.00
Subtotal Fire Department	\$ 56,249.00

Emergency Management

Emergency Management Director	\$ 3,864.00
Emergency Management Operations	3,000.00
Subtotal Emergency Management	\$6,864.00

Emergency Medical Services

EMS Stipends	\$ 8,508.00
EMS Operations	2,500.00
Subtotal Emergency Medical Service	\$ 11,008.00

Animal Control and Inspection

Animal Control Stipends	\$ 2,189.00
Regional Dog Kennel	350.00
Subtotal Animal Control	\$ 2,539.00

TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY FROM TAXATION**\$ 135,868.00****Article 10 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands**

ARTICLE 11: The article was read, moved and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for **Public Health and Sanitation** for the 2017 fiscal year.

Health Department Stipends and Wages \$ 73,444.00

Board of Health Operations \$ 56,280.00

TOTAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND SANITATION FROM TAXATION**\$ 129,724.00****Article 11 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands**

ARTICLE 12: A motion was made and seconded to authorize the Board of Health, pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2, to use a revolving fund with a limit of \$1,000.00 for fiscal year 2017 to accept receipts related to the Town's **Emergency Dispensing Site**, in which any remaining funds may be rolled over into a similar revolving fund for fiscal year 2018.

Article 12 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

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 \$5,000.00** for fiscal year 2017 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 2018, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 13 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 14: 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 2017 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 2018.

Article 14 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 15: A motion was made and seconded to vote to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for **Public Schools** for the 2017 fiscal year.

School Committee Stipend \$ 4,564.00

Rowe School Budget

Rowe School K-6 Operating Budget \$ 1,100,131.00

Rowe School Secondary 7-12 \$ 539,934.00

TOTAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM TAXATION**\$ 1,644,629.00****Article 15 – Passed By Show Of Hands**

School Committee Chair, Susan Zavotka thanked Lisa Miller for her time served on the Rowe School Committee. Ms. Miller received a round of applause from the audience.

ARTICLE 16: 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 2017 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 2018.

Article 16 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 17: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for the **Rowe Town Library** for the 2017 fiscal year.

Library Salaries and Wages	\$ 38,290.00
Library Operations	\$ 29,562.00
TOTAL ROWE TOWN LIBRARY FROM TAXATION	\$ 67,852.00

Article 17 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 18: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for the **management and operation of Pelham Lake Park** for the 2017 fiscal year.

Park Wages	\$ 88,554.00
Operation and Maintenance	\$ 19,830.00
TOTAL PARK FROM TAXATION	\$ 108,384.00

Article 18 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 19: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums fiscal year 2017 for **Culture and Recreation** items.

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

Article 19 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 20: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums fiscal year 2017 for **Old Home Day**.

Old Home Day	\$ 5,500.00
Old Home Day Fireworks	\$ 5,000.00
TOTAL OLD HOME DAY FROM TAXATION	\$ 10,500.00

Article 20 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 21: 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 2017 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 2018.

Article 21 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 22: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for **Pensions and Insurance** for the 2017 fiscal year.

Franklin County Retirement Assessment	\$ 125,895.00
Unemployment Insurance	1,000.00
Group Health Insurance	465,000.00

FICA/Medicare Tax – Town Share 50,000.00

TOTAL PENSION & INSURANCE FROM TAXATION \$ 641,895.00

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Article 22 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 23: A motion was made and seconded to **APPROPRIATE** from **FREE CASH** the sum of **\$102,071.00** to be used to reduce the FY2017 Tax Rate.

Article 23 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 24: A motion was made and seconded to **APPROPRIATE** from the **Assessors Overlay Surplus Account** the sum of **\$42,410.00** reduce the FY2017 Tax Rate.

Article 24 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 25: A motion was made and seconded to **APPROPRIATE** from the **STABILIZATION FUND**, the following sums for **special projects**:

SCHOOL – Technology	\$ 7,600.00
MUNICIPAL AUDIT	6,000.00
TOWN HALL – Bulk Head Door & installing Insulation Door	1,500.00
EMS – Updating Supplies	3,000.00
EMS – Training x 3 @ \$2600. Each	7,800.00
DPW/FIRE – Door Seals	3,000.00
FIRE DEPT – Handheld & Truck Radio Replacement	10,000.00
FIRE DEPT – First Responder Immunizations	2,300.00
ASSESSORS – Assessors Full Measure & List (every nine years)	9,000.00

TOTAL FROM STABILIZATION \$ 50,200.00

Two – thirds vote required to pass the article

Article 25 – Passed By Show Of Hands

One No Vote

Declared Two-Thirds By Moderator

ARTICLE 26: A motion was made and seconded to **APPROPRIATE** from the **CAPITAL STABILIZATION FUND**, the following sums for **capital repairs and improvements**:

DPW – Truck	\$ 240,000.00
MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS – Painting	\$ 30,000.00
FIRE DEPT – Replace (2) SCBA Air Masks & Cylinders	\$ 18,000.00
LIBRARY – Front Walkway Stairs & Stone Walls	\$ 12,000.00
BOARD OF HEALTH – Replace Trash Compactor	\$ 15,000.00

TOTAL CAPITAL STABILIZATION FUND \$ 315,000.00

Two – thirds vote required to pass the article

Article 26 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

Declared Two-Thirds By Moderator

ARTICLE 27: A motion was made and seconded to **APPROPRIATE** from the **Assessors Overlay Surplus Account** the sum of **\$55,810.43** to be put into the **Road Reclamation Stabilization Account**.

Two – thirds vote required to pass the article

Article 27 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

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Declared Two-Thirds By Moderator

ARTICLE 28: A motion was made and seconded to **Appropriate** from the **Future Ambulance Services Account** the sum of \$15,000.00 to purchase a Lucas Device.

Article 28 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 29: A motion was made and seconded to accept and approve the following resolution regarding the critical need for immediate action on wired broadband service, as written below,

Whereas the State's westward expansion of broadband service to our rural towns of is a matter of

Equal rights and fair representation as guaranteed by the Massachusetts Bill of Rights; and

Whereas broadband service is THE lifeline to our economic survival; and

Whereas our students' education is compromised in under-enrolled schools and thwarted by their inability to perform required online assignments; and

Whereas our residents are unable to utilize digital internet health care; and

Whereas broadband assures the interconnectivity essential to life in the 21st century; and

Whereas The Massachusetts legislature passed and the governor signed Bill H4355, an Act financing information technology equipment and related projects, on June 6, 2014, which authorized \$50 Million to the Massachusetts Broadband Incentive Fund,

THEREFORE be it resolved that we, the Town of Rowe, call upon the Baker/Polito Administration to commit all necessary resources to ensure the provision of wired broadband service to Rowe in its entirety thus meeting the internet needs of all its residents; and Expeditiously provide resolution to this most challenging situation by allocating the funds necessary to bring this project to conclusion; and Instruct the Massachusetts Broadband Institute to work cooperatively with the towns and their agencies, including WiredWest, and to accept input and policy direction from the towns to jointly produce an actionable plan that is acceptable to our town by June 30th, 2016.

Be it further resolved that the Town Clerk be directed to send copies of this resolution to Governor Charlie Baker, Lt.

Governor Karyn Polito, and Secretary Jay Ash.

Article 29 – Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 30: To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting

- Fire Chief Brandon Sprague reminded residents to take caution around down trees and wires.
- Marilyn Wilson thanked Susan Gleason for her time on the Board of Selectmen. Ms. Gleason received a round of applause from the audience.
- Susan Zavotka- School Committee chair responded to a question regarding the possible Mohawk grades 7-12 agreement.

Ms. Zavotka stated that the school committee has not voted to endorse or not endorse this issue. They only voted to present the issue to the Town of Rowe. At this time they are waiting to see how the other towns respond.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting at 7:53 p.m. Passed Unanimously.


Respectfully Submitted:

Jennifer A. Morse

Rowe Town Clerk

May 13, 2016

A true copy, attest:



Jennifer A. Morse Town Clerk

Date

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION



ARTICLE 4		GENERAL GOVERNMENT
General Administration		\$24,000.00
Town Officer Expenses		\$2,000.00
Print Town Reports		3,000.00
IT Consultant		\$8,000.00
IT Hardware/Software		\$10,350.00
Town-wide Notification System		\$1,000.00
Municipal Center Operations/Maintenance		\$15,420.00
Town Hall Fuel Oil		\$6,500.00
Town Hall Electricity		\$8,500.00
Town Hall Elevator Maintenance Contract		\$1,600.00
Bonding and Insurance		\$47,250.00
<u>Harper's Payroll</u>		<u>\$4,250.00</u>
Subtotal Administration		\$131,870.00
Executive Secretary		\$45,045.00
Administrative Assistant Compensation		\$6,811.00
Town Hall Custodian Wages		\$13,002.00
Moderator Stipend		\$439.00
<u>Selectmen Stipends</u>		<u>\$5,928.00</u>
Subtotal Wages and Stipends		\$71,225.00
Legal Expenses		\$10,000.00
Tax Collector's Operations		
Tax Collector Stipend		\$7,629.00
<u>Tax Collector Operations</u>		<u>\$7,290.00</u>
Tax Collector Total		\$14,919.00
Treasurer		
Treasurer Stipend		\$13,401.00
<u>Assistant Treasurer</u>		<u>\$6,915.00</u>
Treasurer Total		\$20,316.00
Town Clerk		
Town Clerk Stipend		\$12,973.00
Town Clerk Operations		\$2,000.00
Registrars & Census Takers Compensation		\$350.00
<u>Election/Teller Expenses</u>		<u>\$5,000.00</u>

Town Clerk Total	\$20,323.00	
Conservation Commission Operations	\$1,500.00	
Council on Aging	\$4,600.00	
Energy Committee Operations	\$500.00	
Veterans' Services		
Veterans' Administrative Operations	\$2,133.00	
<u>Veterans' Benefits</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	
Veterans' Services	\$2,233.00	
FRCOG Services		
FRCOG Regional Services Assessment	\$15,374.00	
FRCOG Statutory Assessment	\$1,119.00	
Franklin County Emergency Communications System	\$850.00	
FRCOG Cooperative Purchasing Program	\$1,391.00	
FRCOG Regional Emergency Planning Committee	\$150.00	
<u>FCCIP Inspection Program (Building, Wiring, Plumbing, Gas)</u>	<u>\$4,500.00</u>	
FRCOG Total	\$23,384.00	
Accountant		
Town Accountant	\$15,732.00	
Accounting Expenses	\$400.00	
Software License	\$1,200.00	
<u>Consultant</u>	<u>\$930.00</u>	
Subtotal Accounting	\$2,530.00	
Accounting Total	\$20,792.00	
Assessor's Office		
Assessors' Stipends	\$5,354.00	
Assessors' Clerk	\$9,802.00	
<u>Assessors' Operations</u>	<u>\$8,200.00</u>	
Subtotal Assessors' Office	\$23,356.00	
Planning Board		
Planning Board Operations	\$1,281.00	
Planning Board Consulting Expenses	\$5,125.00	
<u>Planning Board Goal Post Operations</u>	<u>\$12,403.00</u>	
Planning Board Total	\$18,809.00	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT FROM TAXATION		\$361,297.00

ARTICLE 6

Assessor's Triennial Revaluation Stabilization	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.00
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ARTICLE 7

Reserve Fund	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
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ARTICLE 8

PUBLIC WORKS

DPW Superintendent's Salary	\$72,258.00	
DPW Heavy Equipment Operator's Wages	\$189,286.00	
<u>Summer Youth Employment Program</u>	<u>\$26,323.00</u>	
DPW Wages Total	\$287,867.00	

DPW Operations & Maintenance	\$30,379.00	
DPW Heating	\$6,500.00	
DPW Electricity	\$1,523.00	
Fuel for Town Vehicles	\$43,000.00	
Road Surface Maintenance/Reclamation	\$81,200.00	
Annual DPW Projects	\$43,696.00	
<u>Snow & Ice Removal (Winter Roads)</u>	<u>\$68,612.00</u>	
DPW Operations Total	\$274,910.00	

Street Lighting	\$5,500.00	
Municipal Light Plant	\$1,000.00	
<u>Cemeteries – Maintenance/Repair</u>	<u>\$15,000.00</u>	
Other Public Works & Facilities Total	\$21,500.00	

TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES FROM TAXATION		\$584,277.00
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ARTICLE 10

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Chief Stipend	\$23,352.00	
Police Officers Compensation	\$25,958.00	
Constable Stipend	\$549.00	
<u>Police Old Home Day Presence</u>	<u>\$499.00</u>	
Police Salaries	\$50,358.00	
Police Dept. Operations	\$8,850.00	
Police Dept. Total	\$59,208.00	

Fire Chief Stipend	\$7,629.00
Fire Officers Stipends	\$2,000.00
Firefighter Stipends	\$8,003.00
<u>Fire Dept./EMS Admin Assistant</u>	<u>\$7,600.00</u>
Fire Dept. Stipends	\$25,232.00

Fire Department General Operations	\$24,917.00
Fire Station Heating Oil	\$4,440.00
Fire Station Electricity	\$1,560.00
<u>Forest Fire Control</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>
Fire Dept. Operations Total	\$31,017.00

Fire Dept. Total	\$56,249.00
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Hazardous Material Control	\$1,000.00
Emergency Management	\$2,000.00
<u>Emergency Management Director</u>	<u>\$3,864.00</u>
Emergency Management Total	\$6,864.00

EMS Coordinator Stipend	\$2,221.00
Emergency Personnel Stipends/Expenses	\$6,287.00
<u>EMS Operations and Maintenance</u>	<u>\$2,500.00</u>
Emergency Medical Service Total	\$11,008.00

Animal Control Officer Stipend	\$649.00
Animal Control Officer – Relief Stipend	\$508.00
Regional Animal Control Officer	\$500.00
Regional Dog Control/Adoption Center Membership	\$350.00
<u>Animal Inspector Stipend</u>	<u>\$532.00</u>
Animal Control and Inspection Total	\$2,539.00

TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY FROM TAXATION	\$135,868.00
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ARTICLE 11

PUBLIC HEALTH & SANITATION

Transfer Station Attendant Compensation	\$15,981.00
Board of Health Stipends	\$4,938.00
Board of Health Clerk Wages	\$7,290.00
Town Nurse Wages	\$44,735.00
<u>Physician's Stipend</u>	<u>\$500.00</u>
Health Dept. Wages Total	\$73,444.00

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day	\$500.00
Refuse Garden Operations	30,500.00
Franklin County Solid Waste Management District	4,390.00

Assessment	
Board of Health Operations	13,500.00
<u>Health Services Operations</u>	<u>7,390.00</u>
Board of Health Operations Total	\$56,280.00

TOTAL PUBLIC HEALTH & SANITATION FROM TAXATION	\$129,724.00
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ARTICLE 15	EDUCATION
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School Committee Stipend	\$4,564.00	
Rowe School K-6 Operating Budget	\$1,100,131.00	
<u>Rowe School Secondary 7-12</u>	<u>\$539,934.00</u>	
TOTAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM TAXATION	\$1,644,629.00	\$1,644,629.00

ARTICLE 17	LIBRARY
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Library Director Salary	\$20,965.00
<u>Library Staff Wages</u>	<u>\$17,325.00</u>
Library Staff Wages Total	\$38,290.00

Library Operations and Maintenance	\$21,293.00
Library Heating Oil	\$2,000.00
Library Electricity	\$3,500.00
CWMARS Mininet Annual Membership	\$2,375.00
<u>Library CWMARS Overdrive Assessment</u>	<u>\$394.00</u>
Library Operations Total	\$29,562.00

TOTAL ROWE TOWN LIBRARY FROM TAXATION	\$67,852.00
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ARTICLE 18	PARK OPERATIONS & MGT.
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Park Ranger Compensation	\$46,074.00
<u>Park Wages</u>	<u>\$42,480.00</u>
<u>Subtotal Park Wages</u>	<u>\$88,554.00</u>

Operation and Maintenance	\$19,830.00
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TOTAL PARK FROM TAXATION	\$108,384.00
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ARTICLE 19	GRACY HOUSE & BEAUTIFICATION
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Gracy House Operations	\$4,000.00
Gracy House Materials/Supplies	\$500.00
<u>Beautification Committee</u>	<u>\$2,000.00</u>

TOTAL GRACY HOUSE & BEAUTIFICATION FROM TAXATION		\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00
ARTICLE 20		OLD HOME DAY	
Old Home Day		\$5,500.00	
<u>Old Home Day Fireworks</u>		<u>\$5,000.00</u>	
TOTAL OLD HOME DAY FROM TAXATION		\$10,500.00	\$10,500.00
ARTICLE 22		PENSION & INSURANCE	
Franklin County Retirement Assessment		\$125,895.00	
Unemployment Insurance		\$1,000.00	
Group Health Insurance		\$465,000.00	
<u>FICA/Medicare Tax – Town Share</u>		<u>\$50,000.00</u>	
TOTAL PENSION & INSURANCE FROM TAXATION			\$641,895.00
STABILIZATION REQUESTS			
SCHOOL	Technology		\$7,600.00
Municipal Audit			\$6,000.00
Town Hall	Bulk Head dr & installing insulating door		\$1,500.00
EMS	Update Equipment & Supplies		\$3,000.00
EMS	Training - 3 EMT @ 2600 each.		\$7,800.00
DPW/Fire	Door Seals		\$3,000.00
Fire Dept.	Handheld & Truck Radio Replacement		\$10,000.00
Fire Dept.	First Responder Immunizations		\$2,300.00
ASSESSORS	Assessors Full Measure and List		\$9,000.00
TOTAL STABILIZATION	TOTAL		\$50,200.00
CAPITAL STABILIZATION REQUESTS			
DPW	TRUCK		\$240,000.00
Municipal Buildings	Painting		\$30,000.00
Fire Dept.	Replace (2) SCBA Air Masks & Cylinders		\$18,000.00
BOH	Replace Trash Compactor		\$15,000.00
LIBRARY	Front walkway stairs and stone walls		\$12,000.00
TOTAL CAPITAL STABILIZATION	TOTAL		\$315,000.00

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OFFICIAL RESULTS - September 26, 2016

Town Clerk: Jennifer Morse
Moderator: Robert Clancy
Constable: Robert Dykeman
Board of Selectmen: Marilyn Wilson (Chair), Walter Quist, Dennis May

The Special Town Meeting was held on Monday September 26, 2016 at the Rowe Elementary School (86 Pond Road). The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Moderator Clancy with Fifty –Six (56) registered voters and Two (2) audience members. Moderator Clancy led the meeting with the pledge of allegiance and reading of the warrant and addressed town meeting rules. Moderator Clancy turned to the Board of Selectmen for comments before the start of the meeting – there was no comment from the board.

ARTICLE 1: A motion was made and seconded to APPROPRIATE \$559,000 from the Stabilization for partial payment of the construction of the broadband project.

Marilyn Wilson (Board of Selectmen) Potter Road spoke to the explanation of change in the motion on the floor and the status of the broadband project. It was noted by David Dvore (MBI Representative) Potter Road that service will be provided to Davis Mine Road, Tatro Road and Davenport Road either by an agreement with the Town of Charlemont or by running the fiber lines from the Rowe side. Rick Williams (Board of Assessors) Middletown Hill Road spoke regarding the financing, free cash and other ways to fund the project with concerns of a large sum of money being removed from Stabilization.

A motion was made and seconded to move the question at 7:40 p.m.
Motion passed by show of hands.

Article 1 - Passed by Show of Hands
One (1) No Vote

The Moderator declare the 2/3 vote by show of hands.

Note: Two-thirds vote is required to pass Articles involving Stabilization Funds.

ARTICLE 2: A motion was made and seconded to APPROPRIATE from the Stabilization Fund \$10,000.00 for temporary repairs to the Transfer Station.

Maggie Rice (Board of Health) Davis Mine Road gave an explanation of the funds and the current status of the refuse gardens.

Article 2 - Passed by Show of Hand
Unanimous

The Moderator declared the 2/3 vote by show of hands.

Note: Two-thirds vote is required to pass Articles involving Stabilization Funds.

ARTICLE 3: To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting.

Jennifer Morse (Town Clerk) Zoar Road shared that Early Voting will be introduced for the Presidential election in November and that the hours and times for Early Voting will be posted in the Goal Post.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the special town meeting at 7:55 p.m. Unanimous vote by show of hands.

Respectfully Submitted:



Jennifer Morse
Rowe Town Clerk
September 28, 2016

A true copy, attest:



Jennifer A. Morse
Date September 29, 2016

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OFFICIAL RESULTS - November 16, 2016

Moderator: Robert Clancy
Town Clerk: Jennifer Morse
Board of Selectmen: Marilyn Wilson (Chair), Walter Quist (Vice-Chair), Dennis May

The Special Town Meeting was held on Wednesday November 16, 2016 at Rowe Elementary School, 86 Pond Road. The meeting was called to order by Moderator Clancy at 7 p.m. with a quorum being present (21 Voters and 1 Audience Member). After the pledge of allegiance Moderator Clancy turned to the Board of Selectmen for comments prior to the reading of the warrant. The Board of Selectmen had no comments.

ARTICLE 1: A motion was made and seconded to APPROPRIATE **from** Free Cash the sum of \$70,000.00 to pay for permanent repair work at the Transfer Station.

ARTICLE 1: Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

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

Town Clerk Jennifer Morse reminded those present that the Holly Berry Craft Fair was to be held on Saturday November 26, 2016 at the Rowe Elementary School from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Board of Selectmen Chair Marilyn Wilson stated that the Pole Survey is almost complete.

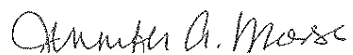
Moderator Clancy wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Special Town Meeting at 7:03 p.m. Passed Unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jennifer Morse
Town of Rowe – Town Clerk
December 1, 2016

A true copy attest:



December 1, 2016

Jennifer A. Morse – Town Clerk

Date