Town of Rowe - FY 2015
Board of Selectmen – Minutes
Thursday November 19, 2015 – 7:00 pm
Rowe Town Hall

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chair Wilson at 7:00pm.

Present: Chair Wilson, Selectman Quist and Administrative Clerk Janice Boudreau

Audience: Loretta Dionne, Bruce Hunter, Robin Reed

New Business

1. Purpose of Community Development Strategy (CDS): Bruce Hunter of the Franklin County Regional Housing and Redevelopment Authority (FCRHRA) explained the function of the Community Development Strategy (CDS). The CDS assists a town to prioritize projects to work on in the next 3 to 5 years. He said it was good to update yearly if possible with all Town Boards and Committees having the opportunity to provide input.

2. Discuss Town's CDS and Priority Projects: Select Board Members reviewed and discussed the CDS and prioritized items.

3. Discuss Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Eligible Activities: Mr. Hunter explained the types of projects that qualified residents could be eligible for and encouraged submitting a 'Waiting List Application Form'. The 'Waiting List Application Form' would enable FCRHRA to contact residents and move forward once the grant is approved.

4. FY 2016 CDBG Application Potential Activities: There was discussion about introducing an additional activity or activities to incorporate into the process. Mr. Hunter explained the Fuel Assistance Program and the Select Board Members agreed it would be a good program to assist residents that were having difficulties managing fuel costs.

5. Upcoming meeting: Mr. Hunter explained that Rowe Select Board needs to approve the CDS for inclusion with the CDBG Application at a future meeting.

6. CDBG Public Hearing: Following discussion, it was decided to hold a Public Hearing on January 6, 2016 at 6:00pm.

7. Present projects for FY 2016 CDBG application: Select Board Members discussed the necessity of making the Library bathroom handicap accessible. Bruce Hunter discussed the potential project and would meet in the near future with the Librarian and Library Trustees to discuss further.

8. Any other business not reasonably anticipated at the time of posting: None

Adjournment: Seeing no further business, Chair Wilson made a motion to adjourn the Meeting at 7:55 p.m. The motion, seconded by Selectman Quist, was unanimously accepted. (2/0/1)

Respectfully Submitted,

Janice Boudreau

Approval Date: DECEMBER 2, 2015

Approved:

Marilyn Wilson, Chair