Rowe Finance Committee
Rowe Town Hall March 9, 2023

Present: Finance Committee (FC) Chair, Dan Pallotta, FC Vice-Chair, Loretta Dionne. Wayne Zavotka, Marilyn Wilson
Board of Selectmen (BOS) Chair, Chuck Sokol, Vice-Chair Joanne Semanie
Administrative Assistant, Brooke Shulda

Chair Pallotta called the FC to order at 6:01pm.
A recording device was announced.

A discussion ensued re: the tax rate and a possible shift of the tax burden to commercial/industrial.

It was noted that all the department budgets are over 2.5%, with the Fire Dept. up 11.73%.

BOS Chair, Chuck Sokol brought up the need to address long term issues such as mutual aid, unfunded mandates for police, Fire Dept. requirements, and how to fund the school while encouraging and supporting improvement.

Ms. Dionne and Ms. Semanie broached the subjects of unfunded mandates, school choice, and police training.

A request for a Reserve Fund Transfer of $1500.00 for asbestos testing on the Gracy House was considered. Ms. Wilson moved to approve the request; Mr. Pallotta seconded the motion, the vote was 4 ayes in favor.

Ms. Dionne moved to accept the minutes of Feb. 23, 2023 as written; Mr. Pallotta seconded the motion; the vote was 4 ayes in favor.

Mr. Zavotka moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:35pm, Ms. Wilson seconded the motion, the vote was 4 ayes in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marilyn Wilson

Approved Dan Pallotta

Loretta Dionne

Wayne Zavotka

Marilyn Wilson