MEETING MINUTES – FY2016

Rowe School Committee

Public Hearing to Adopt FY2017 Budget

Thursday, February 24, 2016 – 6:00pm – Rowe School

Present: Susie Zavotka (SZ) and Lisa Miller (LM)

Also Present: Superintendent Jon Lev (JL), Principal Bill Knittle, Business Manager Carrie Garivaltis (CG), and Secretary Ellen Miller (EM)

Also Present: Selectboard: Marilyn Wilson (MW), Susan Gleason (SG). Finance Committee: Ray Wilson, Wayne Zavotka

Audience: Lark Thwing, Mohawk SC Chair

I. **Call to Order**: The **Public Hearing** was called to order by SZ at 6:05pm. Legal notice for the Public Hearing was published in the Wed., Feb 17, 2016 Recorder.

II. **FY2017 Budget:**

The FY2017 school budget in the amount of $1,623,039, representing a 2.5% increase over FY2016 budget was presented. LM made a motion to adopt the budget as presented. SZ seconded the motion. Discussion: No further discussion. Motion to adopt FY2017 budget presented in the amount of $1,623,039 passed unanimously (2/0/0).

III. **Resignation:** SZ distributed a letter of resignation from school committee member Gail May, effective February 23, 2016. Gail May also filed a copy with the Town Clerk. LM made a motion to regretfully accept the resignation. SZ seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously (2/0/0). SZ stated that a new member needs to be appointed. She checked with Janet Cowie, and Janet agreed that she would serve if appointed. SZ nominated Janet Cowie to the vacancy, with the term to expire at the next annual town election (May 14, 2016). The nomination was seconded by GM. There were no other nominations. Nominations were closed. The following joint vote was taken with the Selectboard by roll call vote to appoint Janet Cowie to the school committee vacancy: SZ – aye, GM – aye, MW – aye, SG – aye. The motion passed unanimously (4/0/0).

IV. **Treasury/Payroll Warrants:** SZ will be out of town for the next month. LM and JC will sign warrants. The final versions are usually ready on Tuesdays.

V. **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, April 6th – 5:00pm.

VI. **Adjournment**: LM made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing at 6:23pm. SZ seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously (2/0/0).

Respectfully submitted by Ellen Miller,

Signature: Susan L. Zavotka

Date Approved: 4/6/2016

Correspondence/Handouts:

- Agenda
- Proposed FY2017 School Budget
- Gail May Resignation dated Feb 23, 2016
- Public Hearing Legal Ad – Recorder, Feb 17, 2016