

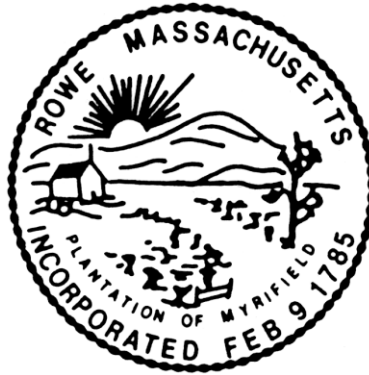
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Annual Report

of the

Town of Rowe

Massachusetts



for the Year Ending

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TOWN OF ROWE – TOWN INFORMATION & MEETING SCHEDULES

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Accountant:	accountant@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 12	Varies	by Appointment
Executive Secretary	admin@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 11	M/T/W/TH	9-5 or by Appointment
Animal Control Officer:	ahsamuelson@gmail.com	917-209-0524		On Call
Assessors' Clerk:	collector@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 19	M/T/W/Th	8:00am – 2:00pm
Board of Health Clerk:	boh@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 16		by Appointment
Board of Selectmen:	admin@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 10		by Appointment
Building Inspection:	www.fccip.org	774-3167		(Building, Wiring, Plumbing, Gas)
EMERGENCY		9-1-1		
Fire Chief	firechief@rowe-ma.gov	339-4001		On Call
Highway Superintendent	dpwhighway@rowe-ma.gov	339-5588	M/T/W/Th/F	6:30am- 4:30pm
Library Director	rowelibrary@gmail.com	339-4761	T/W/S	10-5 (Tu Sat) 1-8 (Wed)
Park Ranger	roweparkdept@hotmail.com	339-8554	M/T/W/Th/F	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
Tax Collector:	collector@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 19	M/T/W/Th	8:00am – 2:00pm
Town Clerk	townclerk@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 14	Fri	8-12 or by Appointment
Town Nurse	nurse@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 20	M/W/F	9-5 or by Appointment
Transfer Station	boh@rowe-ma.gov	339-0216	W/S/S	7-10am & 4-7pm (Wed) 8-2 (Sat) 8-12 (Sun)
Treasurer:	treasurer@rowe-ma.gov	339-5520 ext. 16		By Appointment

BOARD/COMMISSION

FREQUENCY

LOCATION

Select Board	Wednesdays (6:30pm)	Rowe Town Hall
Assessors	Monthly (as posted)	Rowe Town Hall
Board of Health	Twice Monthly (as posted) Wednesday s (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 Elementary 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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Lillian Norma Brown

June 14, 1936 – March 14, 2017

Charles A. Stetson

June 7, 1942 – November 11, 2017



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Left to Right: **Carolyn Kirk**, Deputy Secretary of the Office of Housing & Economic Development (OEHD),
Karen Polito, Lieutenant Governor and **Peter Larkin**, MBI Liaison OEHD
Visit Rowe to discuss broadband in June

SELECT BOARD REPORT 2017

Alphabetically listed are the topics that were focused on in 2017:

Audit – In Spring, Scanlon and Associates performed an audit of the basic financial statements of the town for the year ended in June 2016. There were 6 recommendations that were made: (1) to segregate the duties of the Tax Collector and Assessors' Clerk due to being performed at present by one person. (2) To comply with Governmental Accounting Standards (GASB) no. 34 and have a financial statement of reporting all capital assets in a Statement of Net Position. (3) Comply with GASB no. 45 and review Rowe's obligations for all Postemployment Benefit Plans to recognize liability for post-employment benefits other than pensions as earned by employees. (4) Indicate whether departmental receipts are cash or check in the turnover forms (5) The Town review all special revenue accounts to determine if the accounts are needed and that balances have proper supporting documentation. (6) That the Town investigate employees that are not eligible for the public retirement system participate in the SMART plan as an alternative to Social Security benefits.

The Select Board is working on remedying deficiencies. We appreciate the work of our Town Accountant Tracey Baronas for her proficiency.

Bridges - The Massachusetts Dept. of Transportation, (MassDOT) inspected Rowe's bridges and provided reports on the state of their condition and recommendations for repair or replacement. We are working on replacement of the King's Highway bridge which is in poor condition. We applied for a Massworks Grant and were awarded \$440,000. We hope to use the funds to repair the culvert on Ford Hill Road. The Cyrus Stage Bridge will be replaced through state funding in 2023.

Broadband - Rowe chose Westfield Gas & Electric for building and operating our broadband network. Our Municipal Light Plant Manager David Dvore has put in an incredible amount of hours finalizing the pole survey for the town. The Select Board is working on securing financing for the funding of the project and has met with a Financial Advisor to discuss the details.

Bylaws - Seeing a need for an overhaul, the Select Board appointed a Bylaw Committee to review and update all of the Rowe Bylaws. The Bylaw committee is meeting regularly reviewing the current bylaws and have found it to be an enormous project.

Community Block Development Grant –

The Office of the Select Board applied and was approved to participate in the Community Block Development Grant Program along with Gill and Bernardston. Thus far, approximately 8 homes that qualified for the program used the grant money funds for housing repairs and rehabilitation for the purpose of making health and safety improvements to their homes.

Dams – The Mill Pond and the Pelham Lake Dams were inspected as required by the Dept. of Environmental Protection every 5 years. The dams are thought to be in relatively good shape requiring some tree removal and minor repairs.

Citizens raised concerns over the maintenance of the dams and the Select Board are working on addressing the issue by proposing plans and policies for their care.

Election - Jennifer Morse won the seat in the Annual Town Election in May. In a Special Election held in September Chuck Sokol won the election as Select Board Member filling the position vacated by the resignation of Marilyn Wilson.

EOHED Grant -

Through efforts of the Executive Office of Housing and Development (EOHED) a grant was offered to towns that were not included on a bid to contract for work on 'last mile' since the bids only met the criteria of 4 of the largest towns. Rowe was awarded \$440,000.00 from the EOHED grant to be applied to our broadband project.

Generators - Outgoing Select Board member Walt Quist researched and put out to bid a request for 2 generators for Town Hall and one for the Highway Dept. We also like to thank Lance Larned for his contributions to seeing the projects through to completion. It is comforting to know that both facilities will remain functional in a prolonged power outage.

Resignation- Due to health concerns, Select Board Chair Marilyn Wilson resigned in early June from her position on the Select Board serving on her second term. We would like to thank Marilyn for all of the hard work over the last 5 years, her dedication and tireless energy.

We thank our town employees for all of the work they do for us to have the town run smoothly. Due to our size, they wear many hats, often performing services that are way beyond their job description.

In our small town our volunteers take on a most vital role. We want to take this opportunity to thank those volunteers that selflessly donate their time and effort on our behalf. Without them, the town could not run, could not thrive, could not grow. They conserve our resources, plant flowers, protect our homes, promote and preserve culture and a quality of life that we cherish every day.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Morse, Chair,
Dennis May, Vice-Chair
Chuck Sokol

BOARD OF ASSESSORS 2017

Rick Williams was re-elected to a three-year term at the annual town election in May 2017. Board members nominated and elected Rick to serve again as Chair. **Heidi Cousineau** resigned from the Board in August of 2017. The Board would like to thank Heidi for her past years of service.

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 typically addressed at Assessor's meetings throughout the year, as needed:

- **building permits** received from the Franklin County Cooperative 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 on an annual basis
- **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

In support of the **FY18 Triennial Revaluation**, bids were solicited and the services of a professional appraisal consultant were contracted this year. **MRValuation** was contracted jointly by the Towns of Rowe, Monroe, and Florida to conduct appraisals of the hydroelectric generating facilities on the Deerfield River owned by Great River Hydro (formerly TransCanada) and Brookfield Power. **G.E.Sansoucy, PE** was contracted to conduct an appraisal of the Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI) owned by Yankee Atomic Electric Company.

Based on the results of the **FY18 Triennial Revaluation** including **sales analysis** for Rowe, residential property home values increased ~1%, building lot values increased ~13%, and excess land values increased ~11%. Based on the results of professional appraisals, the hydroelectric facilities values decreased ~6.7% and Yankee value increased ~4%. **New Growth** for **FY18** was determined to be **\$21,142**. The resulting **total town valuation** for **FY18** decreased ~4% to **\$283,608,234**. Following a 2-week public disclosure period in early October, final certification of values was received from the Department of Revenue (DOR) on October 27.

The **FY18 tax rates** of **\$6.86** for Residential (R) and **\$14.73** for Commercial/Industrial/Personal Property (CIP) were set on November 1 at a Classification Hearing with the Board of Selectmen. The DOR approved the tax rates on November 3. Previous fiscal year tax rates were **\$6.19** for Residential and **\$13.67** for CIP.

According to MA Department of Revenue's municipal databank records for **FY18** (Fall 2017 tax bills), Rowe had the **12th** lowest **residential tax rate** and the **3rd** lowest **average single family tax bill** in the state (**\$1,454**).

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 (+**\$86,657** for Rowe for **FY18**). 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
Ellen B. Miller

BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE 2017

This currently is an inactive committee due to lack of membership.

We would like to mention and thank individuals that contributed 'beauty' to the town: Anne & Peter Besgen who filled the flower pot as you enter town, resuming the work of Christina Lively, JoAnn Brown and Becky Richardson who plant and tend the flowers at the Town Hall, Michael Phillips who volunteered time to clean up flower and plant beds and mulch at Town Hall and Gracy House grounds.

CEMETERY COMMISSION 2017

In 2017 the Cemetery Commission arranged for the removal of several damaged trees in the North Cemetery. These trees were located along the stone wall that separates the old and new sections of the cemetery and were a threat to the headstones in the old section.

During 2018 the Commission will continue to research and oversee the preservation and restoration of damaged and tilting headstones in all cemeteries.

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

Cemetery lots are available in the East and West cemeteries. Please contact any member of the Cemetery Commission for additional information concerning purchasing a lot(s).

Respectfully submitted,

James H. Williams, Chair (413-339-4731)
Earl P. Carlow (413-339-8595)
Myra Bennett Carlow (413-339-8595)

CONSERVATION COMMISSION 2017

ANNUAL REPORT—CALENDAR YEAR 2017 ROWE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The five-member Conservation Commission met monthly and as needed to address matters brought before it during the calendar year 2017.

It's been an active year with various types of issues brought before the Commission for their input, approval or determination. The majority have been "Request for Determination of Applicability" or RDA in which the Commission reviews applicants' proposed project to see if there are any Wetland Protection regulations which need to be considered. As a general rule the philosophy of Rowe's Conservation Commission has been to work with the applicant to achieve their goal within the constraints of the Wetland Protection regulations. Most of the time it's a simple matter of taking extra precaution to insure any construction material is kept out of any wetlands, streams or water resources near the work area.

The Rowe Parks Department submitted several RDA dealing with replacement of firepits near the lake, removing trees posing a dangerous condition for hikers, replacing damage or worn out bridges, cutting and removing trees on Percy's Point, removing trees as required by law which are growing too close to the dam, and the installation of an Osprey nesting pole near the horse rink. With slight modifications these were all approved. With the clarification of some issues and the acceptance of the need to submit the required paperwork the relationship with the Parks Department has improved and grown significantly. We're in the process of implementing a process which will significantly reduce the amount of paperwork filings required for the Parks Department to do its job.

Various RDA were submitted by residence of Rowe and were all approved with minor conditions required.

When a request for building permit is submitted involving excavation, the Commission is notified. After performing a site visit the Commission determines if there are any Wetland Protection issues to be considered. Of the half dozen building permits we were asked to review in 2017 all were approved by the Commission.

2017 saw the complication of the restoration by Bear Swamp/Trans Canada of the washout on the trail just south of the bridge leading to Monroe. The Commission worked closely with Bear Swamp to insure the results were in keeping with what the area looked like before storm damage incurred.

The Commission was also actively involved with Bear Swamp in their project along the east dike of the reservoir in their efforts to improve the monitoring of the dike's structure stability. On this project the Commission also worked with National Heritage to insure existing endangered species in the area were not impacted.

The Commission also worked with the Rowe Board of Health (BOH) on an emergence filing by National Grid for the removal of a beaver dam being blamed for potential damage to property. The BOH has jurisdiction over the removal of the beavers but the Conservation Commission would have to determine the ecological impact the dam's removal would create. Using aerial photography and mapping from the Department of Environmental Protection a case was made that the beaver dam did not pose an "emergency health threat" and the request rejected by the BOH. There is a lengthy and expensive process National Grid could pursue for the dam's removal but they chose not to. Here was an example of how the Conservation Commission at times needs to work with other Rowe departments in a collaborative effort to do its job.

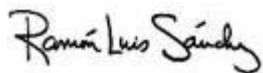
The Commission also work closely with the Forestry Department when logging permits are filed by landowners. All filings in 2017 were approved with one exception in which the paperwork was incomplete when submitted. After sever attempts the proper completed documents were submitted and the application approved.

The Commission worked with the Municipal Lighting in the plans for installing utility poles along Davis Mine Road as part of the Broad Band installation. Of the 30 some poles to be installed there were only 6 poles the Commission had any jurisdiction to compel conditions be followed to protect wetlands and water resources in the area. The Commission used a GPS unit to map out the planned pole placement and the locations of 27 trees that needed to be removed or trimmed.

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

2017 saw the departure of Myra Bennett Carlow from the Commission and the installation of its newest member Michael Phillips of 30 Pond Road.

Respectfully submitted,



Ramon Luis Sanchez, Chair
Prudence Berry
Robert Clancy
Virginia Gabert
Michael Phillips

ENERGY COMMITTEE 2017

The Energy Committee is currently inactive due to lack of membership.

FINANCE COMMITTEE 2017

The finance committee continues to serve an advisory role in all matters of financial commitments to town meetings, Board of Selectmen, and elected officials. This role is exercised with due diligence and attentiveness to the broad scope of Rowe's financial strength.

Chief among its accomplishments were:

1. Creation of a Budget Advisory Group to include the Board of Assessors, Town Treasurer, Town Accountant, Executive Secretary, Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee.
2. An elected official's forum to receive joint budgetary input and present budget submission expectations.
3. A budget timeline was adopted with budgets based on dollars spent rather than previous allotments.
4. Continued its advisory capacity regarding the Municipal Light Plant and Broadband related financing.
5. Reviewed and recommended revised eligibility requirements for citizens to serve as members of the finance committee. This was submitted to the Bylaw Review Committee and BOS to be placed on the annual town meeting warrant.

Respectfully submitted:

Wayne Zavotka, Chair

Committee members: Paul McLatchy III
Loretta Dionne

MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLANT 2017

Broadband Report

Part I: Building Rowe's Broadband Network

As a result of the State's decision to scrap plans for a regional network, each town must build its own broadband network. Rowe has made significant progress:

- Pole survey by Osmose completed and mapped.
- GIS premise and parcel data also mapped.
- Applied for and was awarded a state grant. First installment received.
- We hired Westfield Gas & Electric (WG&E) to do the design and engineering work.
- Route map design completed (mapping every pole needed to each premise).
- Pole applications submitted to Verizon and National Grid.
- Determined new pole locations and tree removal necessary to connect through Davis Mine Road. Have quotes for both. Work waiting for weather.
- Got necessary approvals from Planning Board and Conservation commission for work on Davis Mine Road.

There's still some more design work needed to complete the cable plan. The longest piece is getting quotes for "make-ready" work needed to prepare the poles for our lines and having Verizon and National Grid complete the work. In the meantime, WG&E will help up prepare a construction bid package to finish the network.

Part II: Plans to Operate the Network via the WiredWest Communications Cooperative

Many WiredWest member towns have made excellent progress this past year to bring residents high-speed fiber internet. 15 towns in Massachusetts (including ours) are active WiredWest members and have signed an agreement to continue exploring cooperative operations.

In January 2017, WiredWest (WW) hosted a Broadband Solution Workshop for town officials to familiarize them with the details of the newly designed regional operations plan. WW has continued to research and provide guidance to the towns on financial, legal and administrative questions throughout the year. The monthly Board of Directors meetings allow towns to share their experiences and questions, and arrive at common solutions.

It is up to each town to BUILD its network using town funds and state grant money. After our network is built we can RUN and MAINTAIN our town-owned network cooperatively with other members of WiredWest.

This collective model of operations means that **your monthly internet bill will be lower** than if we ran our own network because as a member of Wired West we will:

- Avoid requiring our existing town personnel from having to manage a broadband network which requires time and expertise
- Share necessary service expenses like bookkeeping, legal, accounting and management
- Increase collective bargaining power to negotiate lower rates with service providers
- Share risk and revenue
- Consolidate backhaul (wholesale bandwidth) to achieve cost savings
- Increase reliability with multiple inter-town connections for fewer network interruptions

WiredWest is working hard on our behalf to make sure that when our network is built we will be able to run our network safely, affordably and sustainably. More details on WiredWest's plans are available at <http://wiredwest.net>.

David Dvore
MLP Manager

PLANNING BOARD 2017

Planning Board organization

In the May annual election, Doug Wilson was re-elected to a five-year term. Dan Burke was elected to a one-year term to the seat formerly held by Bob Dykeman, to which he had been appointed following Bob's resignation in 2016. 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, or as Doug prefers, 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.

Permitting

The Planning Board held a public hearing on a Special Permit application for short-term rentals by Deborah Katz at 80 Davenport Road. No opposition was submitted at the hearing, and after deliberation the board

voted unanimously to approve the permit, with the conditions that the permit ran with the owner, not the property, and that the permit would no longer be valid should the property cease to be the applicant's primary and legal place of residence.

A public hearing was held on a Special Permit application for short-term rentals by Jean-Claude van Itallie at 63 Davenport Road. There was some opposition to the proposal from residents on the road, and during the course of the hearing questions arose concerning the relationship of Mr. van Itallie's property with that of the foundation, Shantigar, of which he is a principal and which hosts various gatherings with overnight guests. These questions were significant enough that the Planning Board sought advice from legal counsel, and ultimately Mr. van Itallie was asked if he would consider withdrawing his application, which he agreed to do.

The board responded to request for information by an agent of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives concerning a change of address for a Federal Firearms License (FFL) held by William Reardon on Cyrus Stage Road. The new address listing on the license was necessitated by a change in Massachusetts regulations for home-based FFLs. The Planning Board determined that this change in itself did not alter the status of Mr. Reardon's business as a customary home occupation under Rowe's bylaws and was thus allowed by right on the property. A memo was sent to this effect.

The Planning Board held a joint public hearing with Tree Warden Lance Larned on a proposal by the Park Commission to remove trees adjacent to the dam at Pelham Lake. No opposition was presented to this plan, and permission was subsequently granted with no conditions.

Another joint public hearing was held with Tree Warden Larned at the request of Municipal Light Plant manager David Dvornak for proposed cutting of trees on Davis Mine Road associated with new broadband internet pole and wire installation. No opposition was noted, and there was strong support for the project expressed by the audience at the hearing. The cutting was approved with some restrictions, including when cutting operations could be conducted and specifying that wood and wood chips resulting from the cutting would be subject to the authority of the Board of Selectmen.

There were no subdivision or Approval Not Required (ANR) requests in 2017.

Planning and Zoning

The board continued its review of Rowe's zoning bylaws, working to create a comprehensive set of clear, 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, where they must receive a super-majority of voter support, and finally to the Massachusetts Attorney General for approval. This work continues in 2018.

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 2017

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

vacant

Board of Registrars

Lisa Danek Burke

Kerri McLatchy

Brittani Sprague

Conservation Commission

Prudence Berry

Robert Clancy

Virginia Gabert

Michael Phillips

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 resigned 11-13-17

Joann Brown term ended 10-05-17

Susan Gleason appointed 11-15-17

Laurie Pike

Paulette Rocci

BJ Roche

Karen Soviedke appointed 10/4/17

DPW Superintendent

Lance Larned

Election Tellers / Workers

JoAnn Brown

Myra Carlow

Brianna Demech

Daniel Burke

Deb Lively

Aston Morse

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

Energy Committee

Michael Phillips

Wayne Zavotka

vacant

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 resigned 6/8/17

Jennifer Morse appointed 10/4/17

Franklin Regional Planning Board Rep

David Robertson

FC Transit Authority Rep

Marilyn Wilson resigned 6/8/17

Jennifer Morse appointed 10/4/17

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

David Dvore Manager

Russ Jolly Deputy resigned 9/27/18

Chuck Sokol Deputy appointed 11/29/17

Old Home Day Committee

Loretta Dionne

Leanne Loomis

Jennifer Morse

Claudine Poplawski

Robin Reed

Maggie Rice

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

James Lively

Kevin Sprague

Julie Shippee (Alternate)

Treasurer

Kris Nartowitz resigned 5/31/17

Joanne Semanie appointed 6/28/18

Tree Warden

Lance Larned

**WiredWest Communications Cooperative
Corporation Delegate**

Marilyn Wilson resigned 6/8/17

David Dvore

Russ Jolly (Alternate) resigned 9/27/17

Zoning Board of Appeals

Henry Dandeneau

Russ Jolly

Gail May

Ellynn Packard appointed 9/7/17

vacant

TOWN CLERK – LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS 2017

	Term		Term
Board of Assessors		Library Trustee	
Frederick Williams	2020 (3 year)	Rebecca Bradley	2020 (3 year)
Board of Health		Park Commissioner	
David Cousineau	2018 (1 year)	Laurie Pike	2020 (3 year)
Daniel Poplawski	2020 (3 year)		
Maggie Rice	2019 (2 year)	Planning Board	
Board of Selectmen		Rev. Doug Wilson	2022 (5 year)
Jennifer Morse	2020 (3 year)	Daniel Burke	2019 (1 year)
Cemetery Commission		School Committee	
Earl Carlow	2020 (3 year)	Susan Zavotka	2020 (3 year)
Finance Committee		Town Clerk	
Paul McLatchy III	2020 (3 year)	Katherine Sprague	2020 (3 year)
Chuck Sokol	2020 (3 year)		

RESIGNATIONS

Board of Assessors

Heidi Cousineau Resigned 9/9/17

Finance Committee

Chuck Sokol Resigned 9/13/17

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION RESULTS 2017

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Saturday, May 13, 2017

134 Voted/ 276 Total Registered Voters

Warden: Robin Reed
Clerk: Marjorie Morse
Election Workers: Shirley Veber, Myra Carlow, Susan Gleason, Loretta Dionne
Constable: Robert Dykeman
Town Clerk: Jennifer Morse

BOARD OF ASSESSORS (3 YEARS)

Frederick Williams	107
Blanks	27

BOARD OF HEALTH (3 YEARS)

Blanks	91
Dan Poplawski (WI)	33
All Others	10

BOARD OF HEALTH (2 YEARS)

Maggie Rice	96
Blanks	31
Kathy Sprague (WI)	5
All Others	2

BOARD OF HEALTH (1 YEAR)

David Cousineau	90
Blanks	40
All Others	4

BOARD OF SELECTMEN (3 YEARS)

Jennifer Morse	82
Michael Phillips (WI)	22
Blanks	24
All Others	6

CEMETERY COMMISSION (3 YEARS)

Earl Carlow	112
Blanks	22

FINANCE COMMITTEE (3 YEARS)

Wayne Zavotka	101
Blanks	27

FINANCE COMMITTEE (3 YEARS)

Paul McLatchy III (WI)	21
Chuck Sokol (WI)	7
Blanks	88
All Others	18

FINANCE COMMITTEE (3 YEARS)

Chuck Sokol (WI)	11
Blanks	99
All Others	24

FINANCE COMMITTEE (1 YEAR)

Paul McLatchy III (WI)	13
Blanks	114
All Others	7

LIBRARY TRUSTEE (3 YEARS)

Rebecca Bradley (WI)	28
Blanks	92
All Others	14

PARK COMMISSIONER (3 YEARS)

Laurie Pike	103
Blanks	30
All Others	1

PLANNING BOARD (5 YEARS)

Rev. Doug Wilson	89
Blanks	41
All Others	4

PLANNING BOARD (1 YEAR)

Daniel J. Burke	99
Blanks	35

SCHOOL COMMITTEE (3 YEARS)

Susan Zavotka	90
Blanks	40
All Others	4

TOWN CLERK (3 YEARS)

Heidi Cousineau	17
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Paul McLatchy III	39
Joanne Semanie	22
Katherine Sprague	54
Blanks	2

CONSTABLE (3 YEARS)

Blanks	106
Henry Dandeneau	20
All Others	8

Results Submitted By:**Robin Reed****Election Warden****May 13, 2017****A true copy, Attest:***Jennifer A. Morse***Date: May 13, 2017****Jennifer Morse Rowe Town Clerk****(WI) = Write In**

**Lt. Governor Polito addresses Rowe, Heath & Charlemont Select Boards
in Rowe Town Hall**

TOWN CLERK – DOG LICENSES 2017

TOWN OF ROWE

DOGS LICENSED 2017

License Expires March 31, 2018

							2017
OWNERS NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE #	DOGS NAME	SEX	BREED	COLOR	Tag #
Ellen B. Miller	160 Hazelton Road	339-5746	Toby	M	Beagle Mix	Tri-Color	5
Chris Brown	110 County Road	339-5521	Toby	NM	German Shepherd	Black/tan	7
Jeanette & Howard Crowningshield	106 Zoar Road	339-4406	Sadie	SF	Chihuahua	Brown/White	51
Deb Lively	4 Stone Hill Road	339-4943	Red	F	Red Heeler	Red	24
Jim Lively	4 Stone Hill Road	339-4943	Chief	M	Aust. Shepherd	Brown/White	25
Earl Carlow	42 Ford Hill Road	339-8535	Bruno	NM	Boxer/Lab	39	33
Henry Dandeneau	272 Zoar Road	339-4295	Kate	F	Brittany Spaniel	White/Orange	57
Jim Williams & Kris Swenson	106 Middletown Hill Rd	339-4949	Miss T	SF	Shepherd Mix	Yellow/White	14
Sandy Daviau	17 Potter Road	339-8343	Shakira	SF	Chihuahua	Tri-color	45
Christine Tower	234 Zoar Road	339-4736	Emma	SF	Pug	Fawn	21
Loretta Dionne	21 Hazelton Road	339-5326	Peebles	SF	Shih Tzu Mix	White/Black	43
Loretta Dionne	21 Hazelton Road	339-5326	Chara	M	Mixed Breed	Black/Tan	44
Deb & Steve Crowningshield	450 Tunnel Road	337-5561	Charley	SF	Choc Lab	Chocolate	35
Jenna & Matt Crowningshield	16 Newell Cross Road	337-5566	Dozer	M	Chihuahua	White/Black/Brown	62
Jenna & Matt Crowningshield	16 Newell Cross Road	337-5566	Diesel	M	Black Silver Lab	Black/Silver	63
Jenna & Matt Crowningshield	16 Newell Cross Road	337-5566	Pepper	NM	Dalmatian	White w/Brown Spots	64
Kathy Sprague	242 Ford Hill Road	339-4936	Phoebe	SF	Choc Lab	Chocolate	28
Kathy Sprague	242 Ford Hill Road	339-4936	Kody	M	Choc Lab	Chocolate	29
Kathy Sprague	242 Ford Hill Road	339-4936	Piper	F	Lab/Retriever	Chocolate	30
Brittani Sprague	40 Shippee Road	339-4762	Moose	M	Chocolate Lab	Chocolate	66
Brittani Sprague	40 Shippee Road	339-4762	Halloween	F	Hound Mix	Black/Tan	67
Leonda Hardison	22 Tunnel Road	664-1032	Ivy	SF	Lab	Yellow	14
Laura Roberson	539 Tunnel Road		Honey	SF	Belgian Malinois Mix	Fawn w/Black Face	56
Brandon Sprague & J. Morse	162 Zoar Road	339-4945	Lilly	SF	Chocolate Lab	Chocolate	46
Brandon Sprague & J. Morse	162 Zoar Road	339-4945	Daisy	F	Siberian Husky	White/Black	47
Sean & Leann Loomis	63 Middletown Hill Rd	339-8573	Parker	SF	Golden Lab Mix	Golden	76
Sean & Leann Loomis	63 Middletown Hill Rd	339-8573	Dexter	NM	Mixed Breed	Black	77
Robert & Karen Markert	377 Tunnel Road	337-4268	Shatzi	SF	Great Pyrennes	Cream	9
Robert & Karen Markert	377 Tunnel Road	337-4268	Zeus	M	Great Pyrennes	White and Black	10
Ellynn and Jack Packard	47 Stone Hill Road	337-4868	Bonnie	SF	Maltese	White and Black	20
Walter and Kelle Quist	4 Ford Hill Road	339-4718	Teddy	NM	Schipperke	Black	6
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	54
Virginia Gary	141 Cyrus Stage Road	339-4399	Snoopy	M	Boston Terr Mix	Black and White	55
Robert & Carrie Silva	123 Davis Mine Road	339-4249	Camo	M	Choc Lab Retriever	Chocolate (Brown)	26
Pete Brown	16 Shumway Road	339-4707	Spike	M	Pug	Brown	70
Pete Brown	16 Shumway Road	339-4707	Beagle	M	Beagle	Tri-Color	71
Marilyn Wilson	37 Potter Road	337-5306	Cassie	SF	Bichon Frise	White	52
Marilyn Wilson	37 Potter Road	339-5713	Tommy	M	Bichon Frise	White	53
Stanley Zielonka	48 Old Cyrus Stage Road	339-5359	Lollipop	SF	Poodle, Miniature	Apricot	34
Jen Rice	85 Ford Hill Road	339-6625	Milo	M	Great Dane	Black	59
Jen Rice	85 Ford Hill Road	339-6625	Otis	M	Great Dane	Black	60
Mike & Laurie Laffond	208 Hazelton Road	337-4869	Daisy	SF	Yorkshire Terrier	Black/Brown	78

Dan & Claudine Poplawski	37 Shippee Road	337-4349	Shadow	SF	Lab/Retriever	Black	72
Deb Katz	80 Davenport Road	339-4374	Feathers	NM	Mixed Breed	Black	87
Rebecca Katz	80 Davenport Road	339-4374	Cooper	M	Maltese Pom. Mix	White	86
Deb Katz	80 Davenport Road	339-4374	Juno	NM	Great Pyrenes	White	88
Ken and Doris Fensky	93 Brittingham Hill Rd	337-4829	Daisey Mae	SF	Border Collie	Black/White	42
Kevin & Willian Parent	39 Stone Hill Road	339-4093	Lefty	SF	Beagle Mix	Black/Brown	80
Sharon Hudson	15 Newell Cross Road	339-4214	Stella	SF	Shih Tzu	Liver & Red	1
Kerri McLatchy	17 Newell Cross Road	339-6667	Tucker	M	Chocolate Lab	Chocolate	79
Lance & Danielle Larned	26 Newell Cross Road	339-4461	Lia	SF	Australian Shepard	Black/White	89
Ken & Julie Shippee	Newell Cross Road	339-4382	Chevy	SF	Lab Mix	Yellow	49
Wayne and Susie Zavotka	505 Tunnel Road	339-0135	Sweet Annie	SF	Lab Retriever	Black	61
Robert Clancy/Lisa Miller	12 County Branch Road	339-9918	Scout	NM	Dalmatian Mix	Black/White	12
Maeve Gallagher	146 Ford Hill Road	339-5206	Zoe	SF	Mixed Breed	Tan	73
Maeve Gallagher	146 Ford Hill Road	339-5206	Cinder	SF	Blue Healer	Merle	74
Sue Wood	19 Stone Road	339-4446	Tessi	SF	Beagle Mix (Rescue)	Tri-Color	19
Heidi Cousineau	30 Old Cyrus Stage Rd	339-8587	Kodei	SF	Shiba Innu	Black/Tan	2
Heidi Cousineau	30 Old Cyrus Stage Rd	339-8587	Kasey	M	Shiba Innu	Red/White	3
Heidi Cousineau	30 Old Cyrus Stage Rd	339-8587	Mollie	SF	Shiba Innu	Black/Tan	4
Buster Reed	48 Hazelton Road	339-4752	Lucy	SF	Siberian Husky	Cinnamon/White	37
Buster Reed	48 Hazelton Road	339-4752	Meko	NM	Siberian Husky	Black/White	38
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	48	51
Dennis & Anna Humbert	530 Tunnel Road	339-4757	Bandit	NM	Malti-Tzu	Tri-Color	22
Dennis & Anna Humbert	530 Tunnel Road	339-4757	Bella	SF	Lab	Black	23
Brian and Andrea							
Crowningshield	245 Zoar Road	339-0149	Duke	M	Husky Mix	Black	83
Brian and Andrea							
Crowningshield	245 Zoar Road	339-0149	Lilly	F	Chihuahua	Tan	82
Brian and Andrea							
Crowningshield	245 Zoar Road	339-0149	Izzy	F	Great Pyrenees		81
Susan Williams	7 Middletown Hill Rd	339-6647	Sybie	SF	Mixed Breed	Tan	50
Jon & Carol Lively	11 Petrie Road	339-0252	Skittles	SF	Lab Mix	Red/Brown	58
Joanne Semanie	59 Middletown Hill Rd	339-6667	Chester	NM	Lab Mix	Black/White	65
Kristen Johnson	24 Brittingham Hill Rd	337-4337	Hudson	NM	Brittany	Orange/White	11
Jennie & Wendy Sutherland	202 Lesure Rd.	337-5795	Teenie	SF	Terrier Mix	White/Tan	16
Jennie & Wendy Sutherland	202 Lesure Rd.	337-5795	Sparky	NM	Poodle Mix	Black	17
Ramon Sanchez & Barbara							
Gottesman	182 Ford Hill Road	339-4836	Maya Chica	F	Port. Poodle	Black	27
					Australian Blue		
Rebecca Bradley	51 Middletown Hill Rd	339-0107	Jolie	SF	Heeler	Blue Merle	75
Oral and Darlene Jackson	88 Hazelton Road	339-8607	Cody	NM	German Shepard	Black/Red	68
Michael & Regina Phillips	62 Pond Road	339-8347	Nick	NM	Cav. King Charles	Red/White	33
					Chocolate		
Laurie Pike	25 Middletown Hill Rd	339-4232	Calusa	SF	Lab/Dalmatian	Brown/White	32
Herbert Butzke	137 Leshure Road		Ellie	SF	Collie Mix	Black/White	84
Steve Fisher	17 Leshure Road	339-4487	Luna	SF	Setter Mix	Black/White	85
Danette Reynolds & John							
Baldwin	30 Potter Road	339-4870	Ali	SF	Pit Bull/Lab mix	Black	31
Reed Brown	42 Old Cyrus Stage Rd.	339-5567	Reggie	SF	Golden Retriever	Yellow	8
Al Williams	58 Tatro Road	339-5345	Max	M	Hound		K-1
Al Williams	58 Tatro Road	339-5345	Max	M	Hound		K-2
Al Williams	58 Tatro Road	339-5345	Max	M	Hound		K-3
Al Williams	58 Tatro Road	339-5345	Max	M	Hound		K-4
Al Williams	58 Tatro Road	339-5345	Max	M	Hound		K-5
Al Williams	58 Tatro Road	339-5345	Max	M	Hound		K-6
Al Williams	58 Tatro Road	339-5345	Max	M	Hound		K-7
Al Williams	58 Tatro Road	339-5345	Max	M	Hound		K-8
Al Williams	58 Tatro Road	339-5345	Max	M	Hound		K-9
Al Williams	58 Tatro Road	339-5345	Max	M	Hound		K-10

Al Williams	58 Tatro Road	339-5345	Max	M	Hound		K-11
Al Williams	58 Tatro Road	339-5345	Max	M	Hound		K-12
Al Williams	58 Tatro Road	339-5345	Max	M	Hound		K-13
James Sousa	99 Brittingham Hill Rd.	337-4999	Milo	M	Border Collie	Black & White	36
Al & Marge Morse	60 Shippee Road	339-4729	Dewey	NM	Terrier Mix	Black/Brown	18

PROSPECTIVE JUROR LIST 2017

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

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 COLLEGE
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
BAUER, Leslie A 131 ZOAR RD F UNKNOWN
BJORK, Timothy J 42 LESHURE RD M
BOYD, Ian M 5 STONE RD M COOK
BOYD, Nathaniel 5 STONE RD M STUDENT
BRADLEY, Kenneth F 51 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD M AUDIO ENGINEER
BRADLEY, Michael F 51 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD M HEARING TESTER
BRADLEY, Rebecca P 51 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD F B & B OWNER
BROWN, Craig W 141 CYRUS STAGE RD M CLASS TRUCK DRIVER
BURKE, Daniel T 465 Tunnel Rd. M MOHAWK
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
COUSINEAU, David A 30 OLD CYRUS STAGE ROAD M NUCLEAR SECURITY
COUSINEAU, Heidi PO BOX 302 F ACCT/BOOKEEPER
COWIE, Diane C 506 TUNNEL RD F AT HOME
COWIE, Gordon E 506 TUNNEL RD M RETIRED
COWIE, Janet L 487 TUNNEL RD F DIRECTOR
CROCKWELL, Kendra M 14 TUNNEL RD F MTRHS
CROWNINGSHIELD, Andrea M 245 ZOAR RD F
CROWNINGSHIELD, Brian C 245 ZOAR RD M
CROWNINGSHIELD, Debra A 450 TUNNEL RD F OFFICE MANAGER
CROWNINGSHIELD, Jeanette 106 ZOAR RD F HOMEMAKER
CROWNINGSHIELD, Jenna M 16 NEWELL CROSS RD F PCA
CROWNINGSHIELD, 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
DAVIAU, Sandra P 17 POTTER RD F TX CLTR/ASSR CLERK
DEMECH, Brianna E 162 ZOAR RD F CUSTOMER SERVICE
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
DYKEMAN, Robert L 468 TUNNEL RD M RETIRED
FAIR JR, Michael L 11 HAZELTON RD M STUDENT
FENSKY, Kenneth G 93 BRITTINGHAM HILL RD M
FISHER, Stephen 17 LESURE RD M TREE EXPERT
FOBERG, Kirsten E 160 HAZELTON RD F

GALLAGHAR, Enid E 30 POTTER RD F COLLEGE
GALLAGHAR, Maeve P 30 POTTER RD F COLLEGE
GALLO, Raymond 33 OLD CYRUS STAGE RD M DISABLED
GARY, Virginia P 141 CYRUS STAGE RD F TEACHER
GAYESKI, Luke N 22 KINGS HWY M
GORDON, Rosemary R 49 HAZELTON RD F HOMEMAKER
GOTTESMAN, Barbara A PO BOX 470 F RETIRED
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, David L 23 NEWELL CROSS RD F MOHAWK
HOBBS, Geneva E 23 NEWELL CROSS RD F MOHAWK
HOLBROOK, Rachel 127 COUNTY RD F PHARMACY TECHNICIAN
HOUGHTALING, Melissa A 14 TUNNEL RD F UNEMPLOYED
HOUGHTALING, Thomas A 14 TUNNEL RD M CONSTRUCTION
HUDSON, Gary H 15 NEWELL CROSS RD M RETIRED
HUMBERT, Anna J 530 TUNNEL RD F RETIRED
HUMBERT, Dennis A 530 TUNNEL RD M
HYTTINEN, Christopher S 65 HAZELTON RD M POLICE OFFICER
HYTTINEN, Tabitha J 65 HAZELTON RD F
JACKSON, Darlene A 88 HAZELTON RD F PELICAN
JACKSON, Lisa M 88 HAZELTON RD F TEACHER
JOHNSON, Kristen L 24 BRITTINGHAM HILL RD F ADMINISTRATION
JOLLY, Russell W 19 STONE RD M CONSULTANT
KATZ, Rebecca 80 DAVENPORT RD F
KEPLER, David J 145 LESHURE E RDESTERDE M COMPTR PROGRAM
KICHOROWSKY, Roman G 78 HAZELTON RD
KUEL, Mike W 36 OLD CYRUS STAGE RD M
KUEL, Heidi C 22 Kings HWY
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
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 OPERATOR
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
MACIAS, Dyanne 163 HAZELTON RD F 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 ADMINISTRATIVE
MCLATCHY JR, Paul 17 NEWELL CROSS RD M UNEMPLOYED
MCLATCHY, Kerri L 20 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/PRACTIONER
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, Isaac 23 NEWELL CROSS RD M MOHAWK
PAIGE, Joshua M 23 NEWELL CROSS RD M MOHAWK
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 RETIRED
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 SKI PATROL
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
QUIST, Walter J 4 FORD HILL RD M RETIRED
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, Alex T 85 FORD HILL RD M UMASS
RICE, Bradley J 86 FORD HILL RD M DISABILITY
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 BUSNESS PERSON
ROBERSON, Laura S 539 TUNNEL RD F BUSNESS PERSON
ROCCIO, Madison 42 OLD CYRUS STAGE RD F ROWE STUDENT
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
SEMANIE, Caitlyn I 59 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD F THERAPIST
SEMANIE, Joanne E 59 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD F
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
SMITH, Sandra L PO Box 226
SNYDER, Catherine T 49 CROSS RD F REG NURSE
SNYDER, Timothy C 49 CROSS RD M INSTRUMENT TEC
SOKOL, Charles L 14 MIDDLETOWN HILL ROAD M PRODUCTION WKR
SOKOL, Meredith L 14 MIDDLETOWN HILL ROAD F AT HOME
SOUSA, James E 99 BRITTINGHAM HILL RD M
SOVIECKE, Karen 41 DAVENPORT RD F RETIRED
SOVIECKE, Mitchell 41 DAVENPORT RD M SELF EMPLOYED
SPRAGUE, Brandon A 162 ZOAR RD M TREE SERVICE
SPRAGUE, Brittani M 40 SHIPPEE RD F TEACHER

SPRAGUE, Katherine D 242 FORD HILL RD F ADMINISTRATIVE ASST.
SPRAGUE, Kevin D 242 FORD HILL RD M RETIRED
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
SUTHERLAND, Wendy S 202 LESHURE RD F RN
SWENSON, Kristen C 106 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD F ADMNST ASSTN
TEMPLE, Wendy M 99 BRITTINGHAM HILL RD F
THANE, Joseph E 32 DAVENPORT BRANCH RD M
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 RETIRED
WILLIAMS, Susan A 7 MIDDLETOWN HILL RD F
WILSON, Rev. Douglas 144 LESHURE RD M MINISTER
WILSON, Marilyn 37 POTTER RD F RETIRED
WINTERSON, Caroline R 22 KINGS HWY
WOOD, Susan C 19 STONE RD 01367 F MEDIATOR
ZAVOTKA, Kelly L 505 TUNNEL RD F
ZAVOTKA, Susan L 505 TUNNEL RD F RETIRED
ZAVOTKA, Wayne A 505 TUNNEL RD M RETIRED



REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK – VITAL STATISTICS & PERMITS – 2017

BIRTHS

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

Tobias Nikolai Tanner

Born: September 1, 2017

Parents: Brittani Sprague and Robert Tanner III

Benjamin Isaiah Katz

Born: September 15, 2017

Parent: Rebecca Katz

MARRIAGES & INTENTIONS OF MARRIAGE

Jaye Michaela Brink

Shannon Meghan Haddock

Intention Filed: September 20, 2017

Date of Marriage: September 25, 2017

BUSINESS CERTIFICATES

Maverick Heating and Cooling

Andrew Kuehl & Michael Kuehl

43 Middletown Hill Road

Rowe, MA 01367

Expires: November 4, 2021

DEATHS

Lillian Norma Brown

Date of Birth - June 14, 1936

Date of Death – March 14, 2017

Charles A. Stetson

Date of Birth – June 07, 1942

Date of Death – November 11, 2017

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS 2017

No applications for a zoning variance came before the Rowe Zoning Board of Appeals in 2017.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ellynn Packard
Gail May
Russ Jolly
Henry Dandeneau



Birds seen at Pelham Lake Park



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Rowe Fire Department Training

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ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER 2017

I was involved in returning four lost dogs to their owners. I worked with owner of two dogs involved in killing a sheep to make his home more secure so the dogs could not get out to avoid a dangerous dog hearing and inspected the work to make sure it was done. I was called to take care of a dying groundhog, and buried it when it expired; I attended the annual regional ACO meeting of in Whalen.

Arthur H. Samuelson
Animal Control Officer- Assistant

BOARD OF HEALTH 2017

This year David Cousineau was elected to the Board for a one year term, Maggie Rice for a two year term and we welcomed Dan Poplawski for a three year term. We said goodbye to Jodi Brown who has been on the Board for many years. David was appointed Chairman for the year.

Transfer Station/Solid Waste Disposal

The board re-appointed James Lively and Kevin Sprague as Transfer Station Attendants. Julie Shippee was reappointed as alternate attendant. The Vehicle Sticker Program continues. Although stickers were mailed out later than usual we still require all residents/property owners to place a sticker on their vehicle so they can be easily identified. The board thanks Jan Ameen and 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. The repair of the transfer station washout was finished with landscaping in the spring of this past year.

Even though reports continue to 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.

Permits, Inspections, Training

The Town of Rowe is a comprehensive member of the Cooperative Public Health Service health district. Through the CPHS, eleven towns share two health agents and a regional public health nurse. CPHS services to Rowe during 2017 included:

- The Regional Health Agent was responsible for 13 Title-5 (septic) related activities including witnessing 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 improves food inspection and data collection, the district offered residents low-cost access to important food safety training on ServSafe, Choke Saver, and Allergen Awareness. Two Rowe residents took the training.
- The Regional Health Agent conducted 3 retail food inspections and 3 B&B/short-term rental inspections.
- The Regional Public Health Nurse provided services to attendees of monthly “Good Neighbors” food distribution at Charlemont Federated Church where 32 area residents made 72 visits with the nurse for health screening services and assistance with self-management of chronic illness.
- The Regional Health Agent conducted 1 Housing Code inspection.
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Respectfully submitted,

David Cousineau, Chairman
Maggie Rice
Dan Poplawski

BOARD OF HEALTH – TOWN NURSE 2017

2017 has been another busy year for the Rowe Health Services Office. Statistics show that this office continues to serve between 20-25 residents each week. In addition to office visits, occasional house calls, and telephone consultations, Rowe Health Services offers wellness checks, health counseling, nursing assessment, triage, consultation, support 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 continuity of client care. All of the testing services are augmented with health education, encouragement and follow-up.

We provided 124 influenza vaccinations to date during the 2017-18 influenza season. In addition, we were able to take advantage of the rare opportunity of free Shingles vaccine and participated in several Shingles vaccine clinics with Town Nurses from Charlemont and Heath, resulting in the administration of 76 vaccinations. We are currently planning a pneumonia vaccine clinic at which both types of pneumonia vaccine will be available.

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 Saturday, September 30th, 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 2017



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Rowe’s representative to the CPHS Oversight Board is Maggie Rice, Board of Health member. For more information: www.frcog.org

FIRE DEPARTMENT 2017

Fire Alarm/False Alarm	6
Medical	13
Motor Vehicle Accident	2
Illegal Burn/Brush Fire	2
Safety Hazard Down Trees	3
Service Call – Flooded Basement	1
Lost Hiker Mutual Aid	1

In 2017 the Fire Department inspected and replaced smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors in five homes. This program continues in 2018 and after a short inspection the fire department will put in replacement units after the homeowner signs a release form. It is important to check your smoke detectors monthly, replace the batteries at least two times a year and get new detectors every ten years.

Training and Joint Trainings

The Fire Fighters/Medical Responders train at least two times per month often weekly throughout the year. Trainings include: Extrication Training, Medical Response Training, Ladder Training, Radio Communication Training, SCBA training, Hydrant and Drafting Training. Monthly Inspections of all equipment in conducted including truck inspections, rescue/medical inspections and SCBA (self-contained breathing apparatus) inspections. Rowe Fire participates in several parades including the Readsboro Fourth of July Celebration, Shelburne Falls Fourth of July, Heath Fair and the Greenfield Emergency Services Parade at the Fair. Rowe Fire continues to work with surrounding towns and hosts and takes advantage of joint trainings. In 2017 Rowe joined the Town of Readsboro for a Live Burn in subzero temperatures with the Towns of Colrain, Whitingham and Reasoboro. Also Rowe hosted the practical training piece of the Ice Rescue Class with the Towns of Charlemont and Heath. Rowe joined Heath for several Live Burn Tank trainings. Rowe works closely with our mutual aid towns and thanks the Towns of Heath and Charlemont for responding to Fire Alarm Calls in 2017. Likewise Rowe responded to the towns of Charlemont and Monroe in 2017 for mutual aid calls.

The Town is very fortunate to work with North Adams Ambulance and their highly qualified paramedics and EMT's. Besides responding to medical emergencies they joined the fire department and police in June to host the $\frac{3}{4}$ grade class from Rowe School. They were available for Old Home Day and the Joint Ice Rescue Training. Besides offering Ambulance Services they also offer a Fire Rehab Unit during fire events. North Adams Ambulance also replaces medical supplies direct from the Ambulance and handles hazardous material removal saving the Town of Rowe funds.

The Fire Department works very closely with Emergency Response Consulting to provide Emergency Medical Training and Supplies. In 2017 they provided First Responders with medical training and began the First Responders Course. Emergency Response Consulting also taught an Active Shooter Training at Rowe School for Rowe Fire, First Responders and Police. Emergency Response Consulting will be working with the Fire Department on updating Medical Protocols and Emergency Plans in 2018.

Rowe Fire Department welcomed Brad Furlon into the position of Deputy Chief in Rowe. Brad has more than thirty years of experience and training in Fire and Medical. He is a true asset to the department and Town. 2017 Fire Department/EMS Roster as of December 30, 2017, Fire Fighter/EMS Personnel as of December 30, 2017: Fire Chief Brandon Sprague, Deputy Chief Brad Furlon, Captain Gary Singley, Fire Fighters; Kerri McLatchy, Steve Fisher, Chuck Fisher, Daniel Burke, John Demech, Buster Reed, Ashton Morse, Jeff Simmons.

Submitted

Chief Brandon Sprague

FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS FRANKLIN COUNTY COOPERATIVE BUILDING INSPECTION PROGRAM 2017

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-two 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.

In 2017 we issued 2,564 permits, including a significant number of insulation upgrade, solar array and wood/ pellet stove permits. A total of 29 new dwelling units were constructed in our 15 member towns.

Our online permitting program went live on July 1, 2011 and has issued 16,072 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 4,574 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 2017, the FCCIP processed the following permits for Rowe:

Residential Building Permits	13
Commercial Building Permits	3
Sheet Metal/Duct Permits	1
Electrical Permits	11
Plumbing Permits	2
Gas Permits	5
Certificates of Inspection	11
Solid Fuel	4
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 774-3167, extension 2.](#)

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Building Commissioner
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James Cerone
Building Inspector
jcerone@frcog.org

Tom McDonald
Electrical Inspector
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Andy French
Plumbing/Gas Inspector
plumbing@frcog.org

POLICE DEPARTMENT 2017

For the year of 2017 the Rowe Police Department has had a total of 150 calls, our most important was breaking and entry investigations. We have had help from the Massachusetts State Police and Vermont State Police either with breaking and entry investigations or mandatory yearly drills.

This year the Rowe Police Department welcomes some new Special Police Officers, Austin Willis of Rowe, Francis Noyes of Heath and Kyle Shippee of Rowe who have all graduated from the Reserve Intermittent Training Academy held at the Franklin County Sheriff's Department in Greenfield, Mass.

As always, the Rowe Police Department is here to serve and protect the residents of Rowe and surrounding towns as needed. Please feel free to contact the Rowe Police Department at any time night or day at the following numbers:

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



Chief Shippee

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Ice Pond Rescue Training
and Active Shooter Training
in Rowe Elementary School

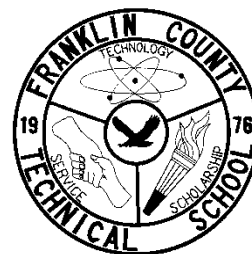


Rowe Elementary School Graduates 2017

Left to Right : Gabriella Larned, Jillian Crowningshield, Courtney Celli Aileen Moffatt, Jessie Gokey and in front Savannah Simmons.

FRANKLIN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOL 2017

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

2017 Annual Report to Towns

We submit this annual report for 2017 on behalf of the Franklin County Technical School District and its administration, faculty, staff and students.

Total enrollment as of October 1, 2017 was 446 students with town breakouts as follows:

Bernardston	27	Erving	29	Montague	76	Sunderland	10
Buckland	7	Gill	10	New Salem	3	Warwick	10
Colrain	17	Greenfield	97	Northfield	30	Wendell	9
Conway	9	Heath	13	Orange	63	Whately	9
Deerfield	14	Leyden	7	Shelburne	6		

Franklin County Technical School awarded 112 diplomas to our seniors in June of 2017. 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.

Franklin County Technical School has distributed high school diplomas to more than 97% of its students with nearly 70% joining the regional workforce and 30% moving on to post-secondary education or armed services. The FCTS dropout rate is significantly below the state average.

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 begin to impact member towns in 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 has added new interior doors and handles to bring us into ADA compliance. FCTS administration and teachers were instrumental in utilizing vocational students to support electrical, plumbing, and landscaping associated with the projects. Students were digging trenches to lay conduit for lighting, running heavy equipment to support installation of parking lot lights, providing landscaping for courtyards, removing shrubs, trees, and replanting vegetation, which have saved the district an estimated \$100,000.

Franklin County Technical School's technical programs have been busy with community-based projects that are used as learning opportunities. Every year the shop programs, with instructors and students, embrace the authentic work that is done in the communities. These activities engage students in a way that builds skills and pride 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. Students from Electrical, Plumbing, Carpentry, Landscaping/Horticulture, Auto Technology, Welding and Collision Repair are

involved in repair and upgrading activities on campus 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: Annually, FCTS faculty, staff and students donate to food drives for needy families and organizations throughout Franklin County. This year, responding to the immense needs as a result of the hurricane that damaged Puerto Rico, students and staff participated in money drives and supplies for the island residents. Our Culinary Arts program again participated in the “Senior Safety Expo” at the Sheutzen Verien in Gill. This event, run by the Franklin County Sheriff’s Office, focused on safety for our senior citizens. Seniors throughout Franklin County, and beyond, attend the event. Culinary also prepares soups for the Hope & Olive “Soup and Games” night that benefits various local organizations.

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 Greenfield, Carpentry students continue to build cabins at Camp Keewanee. They also built the new athletic storage building for Greenfield High School. The Electrical program continues to annually provide electrical and other setup activities for the Relay for Life, and they are assisting Habitat for Humanity with the electrical wiring for the house being built on Smith Street. The Landscaping/Horticulture program has worked on the Greenfield Veterans’ Memorial Field, provided irrigation consultation for Lunt’s Field, and the students and instructors have been going to Adult Day Health Services to work on floral design with the clients. Health Technology is very active in Greenfield, with students conducting clinical and community service work at GVNA Adult Day Health, Arbors Assisted Living Facility, NELCWIT/GVNA, Recovery Project, and Buckley Nursing Facility.

In Turners Falls & Millers Falls, the Landscaping/Horticulture program has worked on the Newt Guilbault fields to rework infields, conducted streetscape planting refurbishing and is now growing naturalized plants for the airport. Students also participate in the Source to Sea cleanup. The tree nursery is doing well, with the trees developing until their eventual planting in Turners/Montague and Greenfield.

In Shelburne, Landscaping/Horticulture does an annual clean-up of Hill Cemetery. Plumbing/Heating students installed AC units into St. Josephs; and in a joint project, the Landscaping program, Collision & Repair Program and Welding program are all working on the removal, repair, refurbishing and reinstallation of the Bridge of Flowers ornate collection boxes.

In Erving, Landscaping/Horticulture has an ongoing hardscaping project for the Riverfront Park. The FCTS house building project is taking place on Central Street in Erving. This project is building skills for carpentry, electrical, plumbing and landscaping students, and is adding a nice home to the community.

An assortment of activities in other communities took place that included the rebuilding of a sign for the Pine Notch Cemetery in Deerfield, building winserts for the Sunderland Town Energy Committee, greenhouse help for Charlemont-Hawlemont School, installing drip edge for the Charlemont town halls cleanup and pruning for the North Cemetery in Leyden, along with replacing their wishing well.

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 2017

Bernardston-Lloyd J. Szulborski; Buckland-Laura J. Earl; Colrain-Nicole Slowinski;
Conway-Brian Kuzmeskus; Deerfield-Vacancy; Erving-Robert F. Bitzer; Gill-Sandy Brown;
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-Jeffrey D. Budine; Whately-Donald C. Sluter

CO-PRINCIPALS - MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL 2017

Over the course of this year, Mohawk faculty, students, and members of the Local Education Council (LEC), which is composed of parents, faculty, students, and community members, have been engaged in developing a graphic representation of our shared vision for a Mohawk graduate. Our evolving vision document features habits of mind such as perseverance, creativity, curiosity and self-reflection, as well as habits of the heart such as openness, integrity, kindness, and empathy, in addition to skills for college and career readiness, such as reasoning, problem-solving, research and evaluation of information, and effective written and oral communication. Through a series of conversations and professional collaboration, our school community has been examining how the curriculum and instruction can prepare students for the future and provide opportunities for all students to hone these skills.

Mohawk's middle school is located in its own wing of the school, providing a supportive environment for students making the transition from elementary school. Middle school students spend most of their day in classes taught by a team of educators who have a common planning time and who work together to support and challenge students. Each middle school team is composed of teachers of core courses as well as a Learning Specialist with expertise in Special Education and instructional strategies. Adjustments to the middle school schedule this year provided for a daily homeroom/advisory period, as well as a body break for physical activity and social interaction. Middle school students also explore a variety of enrichment topics through the Related Arts programming that introduces them to subjects they can study in more depth in high school, including Spanish, French, woodshop, art, band, and chorus.

In the high school students have a variety of choices as they fulfill graduation requirements, including ten Advanced Placement (AP) offerings: Biology, Calculus AB, Calculus BC, English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Environmental Science, Physics, U.S. History, and World History. Many students take numerous Advanced Placement courses over their time at Mohawk, and the Class of 2017 had nine students who earned the designation of AP Scholar with Distinction, awarded to students who receive an average score of at least 3.5 (out of 5) on all AP exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams. Educators innovate by developing new courses and increasingly work together to support the needs of diverse learners.

As part of Mohawk's ongoing commitment to strong STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) education, this year the school is partnering with Greenfield Community College to offer a Robotics course at Mohawk that students can take for college credit. The STEM curriculum in 8th grade emphasizes engineering design and cross-disciplinary applications through project-based learning. All middle school students take a Digital Literacy course, assuring that they have a foundation of computer skills and critical literacy. High school students can take the Exploring Computer Science course which uses a national curriculum developed through university and industry collaboration with the National Science Foundation. Mohawk educators

across disciplines frequently use Google Classrooms applications and Chromebooks in their instruction. Over the past few years we have shifted to a math curriculum that emphasizes inquiry and problem-solving, and we work closely with faculty from Westfield State University and neighboring school districts to support our teachers in the use of inquiry-based learning approaches.

Expanding our arts offerings, Mohawk introduced an Arts Integration position in the middle school this year. In addition to teaching a studio art course as part of the middle school Related Arts rotation, our Arts Integration teacher partners with classroom educators in the 7th and 8th grade on projects that integrate the arts with core curriculum, such as the 8th grade math lessons associated with the work of Sol LeWitt, the artist whose colorful mural graces Mohawk's front foyer. The Mohawk Arts and Education Council, composed of faculty and staff who are passionate about the arts, continues to provide leadership for our drama programming and other interdisciplinary artistic endeavors at our school, including the all-school musical "Shrek" that featured performances by students from elementary through high school.

This year we introduced two new programs that will become annual traditions. In March Mohawk hosted its first Interactive Open House, featuring presentations and student work from students throughout our district, from elementary to high school. This event brought students, parents and community members into our school to experience the curriculum and participate in learning activities. Another innovation this year was the expansion of the annual Step Up Day activities in early June. Traditionally Step Up Day has focused on providing 6th grade students with an opportunity to visit the middle school in preparation for their experience as incoming 7th graders. This year we used the day as a Step Up Day for all grades. Current 7th grade students visited the 8th grade team of educators, 8th grade students visited high school classes, 9th and 10th graders all went on college visits (choosing among Westfield State University, the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, Williams College, and MCLA [Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts]) and the juniors began their planning for the Senior Capstone project they complete as a graduation requirement. On another day in June a team of educators led a field trip to visit a number of colleges in Boston, introducing students to more post-secondary options. Activities like the Interactive Open House and the expanded Step Up Day strengthen connections between our school and the community.

Mohawk's diverse athletic programming offers many opportunities for students in grades 7-12 to participate. In the 2016-2017 school year, 60% of Mohawk students (259) participated in at least one afterschool sport. This is a summary of the varsity sports offered over the course of the year:

	Varsity Sports	# of Varsity Sports	Teams (HS-JV-MS)
Winter 2016-2017	girls basketball, boys basketball, girls alpine skiing, boys alpine skiing, boys nordic skiing, girls nordic skiing, boys indoor track, girls indoor track, wrestling	9	13
Spring 2016-2017	boys track, girls track, softball, baseball, girls tennis, boy tennis, girls lacrosse coop	7	11
Fall 2017-2018	golf, boys cross country, girls cross country, boys soccer, girls soccer, volleyball, field hockey, football	8	13

At the mid-point of the 2017-2018 school year, enrollment in grades 7-12 is 398. The seventh grade has 55 students and the eighth grade has 82 students. There are 64 students in grade 9, 57 in 10th grade, 67 juniors, and 66 seniors. Seven 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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2017 Annual Report of the Rowe Elementary School

It is our pleasure to submit the 2017 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 MCAS 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, with almost all students showing appropriate gains. 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 reading intervention programs for grades K-6, Leveled Literacy Intervention, Read Naturally and Wilson, that allow 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 High Ledges, learning much about local flora and fauna, enjoying a beautiful day together.
- Other field trips included the Springfield Museums, Mass MoCA. 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.
- Our after school activity program continued in 2017, which involved activities led by community members, family members or staff. The activities ranged from hiking to art to gymnastics, with more planned for 2018.

- 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 Washington, D.C. in May for days of intensive academic and social learning.
- The School Committee consisted of Susie Zavotka, Chair, Ellen Miller and Janet Cowie, who worked hard to guide the school.
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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 2017

The Rowe School Committee members for 2017 were Janet Cowie; Ellen Miller, Vice Chair; and Susie Zavotka, Chair.

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

Monthly Meetings: The committee met monthly during the year. Superintendent Jon Lev and Principal Bill Knittle attended each meeting, and Business Administrator Carrie Burnett attended as needed. On a rotating during the school year teachers attended our meetings to give presentations on their classrooms' activities. Everyone's input has been invaluable in the governance of our public school.

Consideration to Join Mohawk Trails Regional School District for Grades 7-12: Residents of Rowe voted at the Annual Town Meeting in May 2017 to not join the Mohawk Trails Regional School District for Grades 7-12. Rowe will continue to tuition its students to MTRSD.

Evaluation of the Tuition Agreement between Rowe and Mohawk Trails Regional School District: Due to changes in MA State funding of schools, we feel the current language in the Regional District Agreement (RDA) regarding Rowe's tuition agreement is no longer appropriate. Members of the Rowe School Committee, Select Board and Finance Committee met with members of the MTRSD School Committee to make recommendations for changes to the current tuition agreement. The recommendation

from these meetings is to continue providing language in the RDA for tuitioning Rowe students to Mohawk, but to move the specifics of the tuition arrangement into a separate tuition agreement document. This would allow for more flexibility in the future and avoid the necessity of all eight member towns having to vote on our tuition agreement. Residents will vote on changes to the RDA at the Annual Town Meeting on May 14, 2018.

Evaluation of Rowe Elementary School Classroom Structure: The school committee and Rowe school faculty and administration have been involved in discussions related to the current classroom structure at Rowe School. This is an on-going process that will continue into 2018.

Policy Development: We adopted the following policies: Personnel Policies Regarding Non-Teaching Staff, Animals in School, Concussion. Work continues on development of a complete policy manual.

Teachers' Contract: The Rowe School Committee and the Rowe Teachers Association signed a new three-year teachers' contract, effective Aug 15, 2017 through August 14, 2020.

The committee is grateful for the outstanding faculty and staff who serve Rowe Elementary School, our superintendent and staff at North Berkshire School Union 43, members of the Rowe School PTP, our wonderful students and their families, and for the support of the Rowe community.

Respectfully submitted,

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

SPECIAL EDUCATION AND PUPIL SERVICES - MTRSD 2017

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 (Individual Education Plan) 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 district have about 21% and 24% respectively 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. With the closing of Heath Elementary for the school year 2017-18, the support services were shifted to the Hawlemont Elementary School. Every school has at least one special education teacher. The OT and PT spend about one day in each school, Mohawk has a full time Speech Language Assistant and a part time Speech Language Pathologist, BSE has a full time Speech Language Pathologist and Assistant, Colrain and Hawlemont share a full time Speech Language Pathologist and each have a full time Speech Assistant, and Sanderson has a four day a week Speech Pathologist. Sanderson has three days of a School Adjustment Counselor and is sharing a School Psychologist from the Middle School/High School one day a week, BSE and Colrain share an Adjustment Counselor and each have a School Psychologist two and one days a week respectively, Hawlemont has a four day a week School Psychologist, and the Middle and High School have a full time Adjustment Counselor and School Psychologist four days a week. The level of services in each building is based on population and level of services legally required by an IEP. Changes made from last year were due to the shifting of Heath students to Hawlemont and the increased population of Pre-School students at BSE, Sanderson and Hawlemont.

The district is legally obligated to support a SEPAC (Special Education Parent Advisory Committee). Over the past year the parents that had worked hard to initiate this group, have been unable to continue. We thank them for their support and for the best SEPAC the district has supported in many years. We continue to advocate for a SEPAC and offer parent workshops throughout the year.

The district continues to support a substantially separate program for students requiring the support of BCBA (Board Certified Behavior Analyst). The program is located at BSE and currently serves six students. When the program began, students spent more than 50% of their time within the program. Currently those students are in their mainstream classes more than 60% of the time.

The district initiated a Language Based Program at Colrain Elementary School this year. The LBP (Language Based Program), supports students with a primary disability in reading. They require a high level of support both in their general education classroom and direct reading instruction from a Special Education Teacher also certified as a Reading Specialist. The program is supported by Colrain's Special Education Teacher and a part time reading specialist.

To support students district-wide with a specific learning disability in reading; three teachers (Sanderson, Hawlemont, and BSE) took a summer intensive course and were certified in Orton Gillingham. Orton Gillingham is an instructional approach intended primarily for use with individuals who have difficulty with reading, spelling, and writing of the sort associated with dyslexia. It is most properly understood and practiced as an approach, not a method, program, system, or technique. In the hands of a well-trained and experienced instructor, it is a powerful tool of exceptional breadth, depth, and flexibility.

Respectfully Submitted,
Leann Loomis
Director of Pupil Personnel Services

SUPERINTENDENT MOHAWK TRAIL REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 2017

During 2017, the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (MA DESE) launched a celebration campaign to share the performance of MA public schools relative to the rest of the nation and the world. The big picture message put forth by MA DESE was that our public school students are performing at a very high level, which includes the Mohawk Trail Regional School District and the Hawlemont Regional School District.

- MA public schools and students are #1 in the U.S. in reading and math according to the 2015 NAEP exam (National Assessment of Educational Progress), which is a national assessment of student knowledge in various subject areas. MA public schools are also #1 in the nation for the 4th straight year in the Education Week Research Center's annual *Quality Counts 2018* report.
- MA public schools and students are #1 in the world in reading according to the 2016 PISA exam (Program for International Student Assessment), which is an international assessment that measures 15-year-old students' reading, mathematics, and science literacy every three years.
- MA public schools and students are #1 in Advanced Placement (AP) success in the country (2017), which is measured by the percentage of students who scored 3 or higher on college level AP exams. Approximately 44.1% of the students in the Massachusetts' class of 2016 took at least one AP exam while they were in high school, and 31% of these students scored 3 or higher out of a possible 5. Many colleges and universities grant credit for scores of 3, 4 or 5 on AP exams.

The results of the 2017 MA Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) indicate that Mohawk students continued to meet the high bar reflected in Massachusetts' several #1 academic performance rankings being touted by MA DESE. In order to graduate from high school, Mohawk students must demonstrate proficiency on the MCAS in three subject areas: (1) English Language Arts, (2) Mathematics and (3) Science, Technology and Engineering. In 2017, Mohawk high school students scored within 2 points, plus or minus, of the state average in all three subject areas.

In terms of college readiness, 70 Mohawk students took a total of 107 AP exams last year. These tests ranged from English to Math to Science to Social Studies. Of the 107 AP exams taken, 67.3% achieved a grade of 3 or higher, which was also within 2 percentage points of the state average. With regard to the SAT college entrance exam, Mohawk has outperformed the state in reading, writing and math over the past 5 years. Each year, approximately 80% of Mohawk graduates attend either a 4-year or 2-year college. Examples of colleges attended by Mohawk students in 2017 include George Washington University, Mount Holyoke College, Clarke University, Franklin Pierce University and UMASS Amherst (Commonwealth Honors College).

2017 also marked the closing of Heath Elementary School, which was a recommendation that resulted from the 2016 strategic planning process entitled Building Educational Sustainability and Trust (BEST) led by the Mohawk School Committee. Ultimately, the voters of Heath decided that enrollment in their local school was too low and that their children would receive a higher quality education in nearby Hawlemont Regional Elementary School. In the fall of 2017, over 30 Heath students attended Hawlemont through a tuition agreement reached by the Mohawk and Hawlemont School Committees. This school building restructuring saved the Mohawk District approximately \$400,000 in expenses while simultaneously benefitting Hawlemont approximately \$350,000 in tuition revenues. Most importantly, the Heath elementary students are now attending a vibrant school and are receiving a high quality education.

Hawlemont Regional Elementary School is in the midst of a renaissance that has been driven largely by the school's transition to a hands-on, agriculturally-based curriculum, which is informally referred to as the HAY Program (Hawlemont, Agriculture and You). Since the introduction of the HAY Program just 2 years ago, enrollment at Hawlemont has increased dramatically from 102 students to 164 students! Approximately half of this growth is from families outside of the district choosing Hawlemont through School Choice, and the other half is from the tuitioning of Heath students to Hawlemont after the closure of Heath Elementary. All of this enrollment growth, however, is connected to the overwhelmingly positive community response to the HAY Program. Additionally, the influx of tuition revenues has strengthened both educational programming and the financial sustainability of Hawlemont.

Other highlights from 2017 include (1) the Mohawk District revised its vision, mission and core values; (2) preschool enrollment increases at Buckland-Shelburne Elementary School and Sanderson Academy are driving long-term growth in both schools; (3) Colrain Central School is exploring the creation of a service learning educational program; (4) Mohawk and Greenfield Community College collaborated to create a new high school Robotics course to be offered in the spring of 2018; (5) Mohawk began exploring the potential move of 6th grade to Mohawk in the fall of 2019; (6) the Mohawk and Hawlemont school communities expressed interest in exploring an alternative structured learning program more informally referred to as a Blizzard Bag program; (7) the Mohawk School Committee and the Mohawk District Education Association reached agreement on a new 3-year contract; (8) half of the BSE asbestos removal project was completed; and

(9) the Mohawk and Hawlemont districts supported the MA Rural Schools Coalition efforts to advocate on behalf of rural public schools across the Commonwealth.

While every school year is chock-full of activity, I do wish to take a moment to express our collective sincere gratitude to our townspeople for making all of this important work possible. 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 2017

No Report Submitted

MARY LYON FOUNDATION, INC. 2017

Innovative Support for Local Education

The Mary Lyon Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that provides innovative support for local education in the nine West County towns of Ashfield, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Hawley, Heath, Plainfield, Rowe and Shelburne. Named in honor of Buckland-born educator Mary Lyon, who founded Mt. Holyoke College in 1837, the organization provides services and programs to enhance the quality of local education. We are generously supported by many individuals and businesses. Major support this year was provided by the United Way of Franklin County, the Myrtle Atkinson Foundation, People's United Community Foundation and the National Endowment for the Arts. Our donors, grants and events help support the Harper Gerry Student Assistance Fund, scholarships, mini-grants, Gift Catalog for classroom supplies, annual Community Spelling Bee and a wide variety of pro-active programs.

We were privileged this year to host nationally acclaimed author Luis Urrea for the culmination of our Big Read program which featured his book *Into the Beautiful North*. Presentations were held at Greenfield Community College, Holyoke Community College and the Care Center. This program was funded by the National Endowment for the Arts.

Creative educational projects designed by teachers pre-K through grade 12 were awarded more than \$8,000 this year through the popular Mini-Grant program. Representatives from each school meet to select innovative, replicable, educational classroom projects. The Mini-Grant program is supported by the United Way and annual Community Spelling Bee which was held this year on November 16. Grand Champions were the Spelling Beans - Curtis Rich, Kathy Lytle and David Henry - sponsored by Shelburne Falls Coffee

Roasters. Winner of the Best Dressed award was the Mohawk Team LED comprised of Lynn Dole, Emily Willis and Drue Johnson.

The student assistance program generated more than \$10,000 for needy children and their families for such basic necessities as eyeglasses, food vouchers, warm clothes and prescriptions. We received backpacks and school supplies from Blackmer Insurance Agency and the United Way and distributed bags of groceries through the United Way's *Supper for Six* program. This fall the Mary Lyon Foundation received slots for 50 children to participate in Warm the Children. An anonymous donor once again delivered two truckloads of Christmas trees that were decorated by the Mohawk Vocational Program and given to needy families, and the Betty Allen DAR chapter in Northampton contributed warm hats, mittens and scarves.

The Mary Lyon Foundation office is located at Mohawk Trail Regional School. Members of the Board of Directors are Marion Taylor (Past President), Sylvia Orcutt (President), Katherine McKay (Recording Secretary), Karen Fairbrother (Treasurer), Susan Schuman, Peter Stevens, Nancy Eisenstein, Brenda Parrella, Emily Willis and Mohawk Trail Regional School student representatives Violet Rawlings and London Summers. Longtime board members Sharon Hudson and Hugh Knox were recognized for their contributions to local education and given Honorary Lifetime Board of Directors status. Regular volunteers Sandy Gilbert and Rita Jaros are greatly appreciated! Gina Sieber is our Business Manager, and Co-Executive Directors are Sheila Damkoehler and Susan Samoriski.

Sheila Damkoehler and
Susan Samoriski,
Co-Executive Directors



Rowe Elementary School Halloween 2017

Rowe High School Graduates 2017

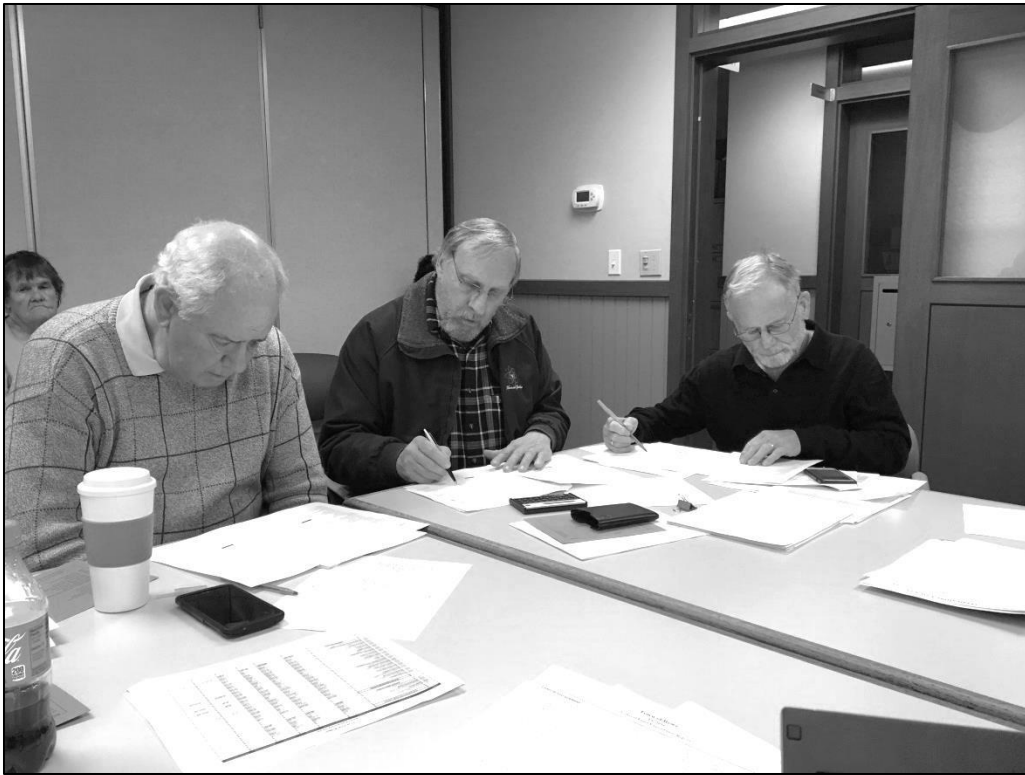


Top Row: Left to Right:
Sarah Paige, John Demech, Hannah Poplawski

Lower Right: Christina Lively
Lower Left : Tyler Rice



No Photograph Submitted: Ben Sherman



FY18 Budget Planning

Left to Right: Ray Wilson, Dennis May, Wayne Zavotka

**C.S. 1-ER Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Department of Revenue FY2017
NOTICE TO ASSESSORS OF ESTIMATED RECEIPTS
General Laws, Chapter 58, Section 25A
Rowe**

A. EDUCATION:

Distributions and Reimbursements:

Chapter 70	134,795
School Transportation	0
Charter Tuition Reimbursement	41,033
Smart Growth	0

Offset Items – Reserve for Direct Expenditure:

School Lunch	
School Choice Receiving Tuition	97,354
Sub-Total, All Education Items:	273,182

B. GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Distributions and Reimbursements:

Unrestricted General Government Aid	3,788
Local Share of Racing Taxes	0
Regional Public Libraries	0
Urban Revitalization	0
Veterans Benefits	0

Exempt: VBS and Elderly

0

State Owned Land	6,414
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Offset Item - Reserve for Direct Expenditure:

Public Libraries	1,874
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Sub-Total, All General Government:	12,076
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C. TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS: 285,258

ASSESSORS CHERRY SHEET - 2017

C.S. 1-EC Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Revenue FY2018 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	21,957
Charter School Sending Tuition	87,021
Essex County Tech Sending Tuition	0
Sub-Total, Tuition Assessments:	108,978

F. TOTAL ESTIMATED CHARGES: 111,844

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
Rowe	2017	6.86	00.00	14.73	14.73	14.73

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION 2017

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
DIVISION OF LOCAL SERVICES
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Rowe
TOWN

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION Fiscal Year 2018

I. TAX RATE SUMMARY

Ia. Total amount to be raised (from page 2, IIe)	\$ 4,806,520.32
Ib. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (from page 2, IIle)	1,043,128.01
Ic. Tax Levy (Ia minus Ib)	\$ 3,763,392.31
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	9.5965	361,153.94	52,624,773.00	6.86	361,005.94
Net of Exempt					
Open Space	0.0000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Commercial	0.1804	6,789.16	461,003.00	14.73	6,790.57
Net of Exempt					
Industrial	44.8261	1,686,982.00	114,531,927.00	14.73	1,687,055.28
SUBTOTAL	54.6030		167,617,703.00		2,054,851.79
Personal	45.3970	1,708,467.21	115,990,531.00	14.73	1,708,540.52
TOTAL	100.0000		283,608,234.00		3,763,392.31

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Board of Assessors

Frederick N. Williams, Board Of Assessors Chairman , Rowe , assessor@rowe-ma.gov 413-339-5520 | 11/2/2017 10:12 AM

Comment: Selectmen approved tax rate 11/1/2017.

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Reviewed By: Matthew Andre
Date: 11/03/2017
Approved: Deborah Wagner
Director of Accounts: Mary Jane Handy

Mary Jane Handy

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION 2017

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
DIVISION OF LOCAL SERVICES
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TAX RATE RECAPITULATION Fiscal Year 2018

II. Amounts to be raised

Ila. Appropriations (col.(b) through col.(g) from page 4)		<u>4,311,133.01</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 Awards	<u>0.00</u>	
4. Total overlay deficit	<u>0.00</u>	
5. Total cherry sheet offsets (see cherry sheet 1-ER)	<u>141,219.00</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 : Municipal Capital Stabilization Fund Override	<u>192,012.00</u>	
TOTAL Ilb (Total lines 1 through 10)		<u>333,231.00</u>
Ilc. State and county cherry sheet charges (C.S. 1-EC)		<u>87,241.00</u>
Ild. Allowance for abatements and exemptions (overlay)		<u>74,915.31</u>
Ile. Total amount to be raised (Total Ila through Ild)		<u>4,806,520.32</u>

III. Estimated receipts and other revenue sources

IIIa. Estimated receipts - State		
1. Cherry sheet estimated receipts (C.S. 1-ER Total)	<u>290,063.00</u>	
2. Massachusetts school building authority payments	<u>0.00</u>	
TOTAL IIIa		<u>290,063.00</u>
IIIb. Estimated receipts - Local		
1. Local receipts not allocated (page 3, col (b) Line 24)	<u>53,950.00</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>53,950.00</u>
IIIc. Revenue sources appropriated for particular purposes		
1. Free cash (page 4, col (c))	<u>274,964.00</u>	
2. Other available funds (page 4, col (d))	<u>247,906.01</u>	
TOTAL IIIc		<u>522,870.01</u>
IIId. Other revenue sources appropriated specifically to reduce the tax rate		
1a. Free cash...appropriated on or before June 30, 2017	<u>162,248.00</u>	
1b. Free cash...appropriated on or after July 1, 2017	<u>0.00</u>	
2. Municipal light source	<u>0.00</u>	
3. Other source : Overlay Surplus	<u>13,997.00</u>	
TOTAL IIId		<u>176,245.00</u>
IIIe. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (Total IIIa through IIId)		<u>1,043,128.01</u>

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

a. Total amount to be raised (from Ile)		<u>4,806,520.32</u>
b. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (from IIIe)	<u>1,043,128.01</u>	
c. Total real and personal property tax levy (from Ic)	<u>3,763,392.31</u>	
d. Total receipts from all sources (total IVb plus IVc)		<u>4,806,520.32</u>

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION 2017 (Continued)

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TAX RATE RECAPITULATION Fiscal Year 2018

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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>53,950.00</u>
IIIc. Revenue sources appropriated for particular purposes		
1. Free cash (page 4, col (c))	<u>274,964.00</u>	
2. Other available funds (page 4, col (d))	<u>247,906.01</u>	
TOTAL IIIc		<u>522,870.01</u>
IIId. Other revenue sources appropriated specifically to reduce the tax rate		
1a. Free cash...appropriated on or before June 30, 2017	<u>162,248.00</u>	
1b. Free cash...appropriated on or after July 1, 2017	<u>0.00</u>	
2. Municipal light source	<u>0.00</u>	
3. Other source : Overlay Surplus	<u>13,997.00</u>	
TOTAL IIId		<u>176,245.00</u>
IIIe. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (Total IIIa through IIId)		<u>1,043,128.01</u>

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

a. Total amount to be raised (from Ile)		<u>4,806,520.32</u>
b. Total estimated receipts and other revenue sources (from IIIe)	<u>1,043,128.01</u>	
c. Total real and personal property tax levy (from Ic)	<u>3,763,392.31</u>	
d. Total receipts from all sources (total IVb plus IVc)		<u>4,806,520.32</u>

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION 2017 (Continued)

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
DIVISION OF LOCAL SERVICES
BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS

Rowe
TOWN

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION Fiscal Year 2018

LOCAL RECEIPTS NOT ALLOCATED *

	Receipt Type Description	(a) Actual Receipts Fiscal 2017	(b) Estimated Receipts Fiscal 2018
==>	1. MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	42,820.00	42,000.00
	2. OTHER EXCISE		
==>	a.Meals	0.00	0.00
==>	b.Room	0.00	0.00
==>	c.Other	0.00	0.00
==>	3. PENALTIES AND INTEREST ON TAXES AND EXCISES	1,822.00	1,500.00
==>	4. PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	2,000.00	0.00
	5. CHARGES FOR SERVICES - WATER	0.00	0.00
	6. CHARGES FOR SERVICES - SEWER	0.00	0.00
	7. CHARGES FOR SERVICES - HOSPITAL	0.00	0.00
	8. CHARGES FOR SERVICES - SOLID WASTE FEES	0.00	0.00
	9. OTHER CHARGES FOR SERVICES	0.00	0.00
	10. FEES	1,154.00	975.00
	11. RENTALS	5,982.00	5,500.00
	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	50.00	50.00
	18. SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	0.00	0.00
==>	19. FINES AND FORFEITS	191.00	175.00
==>	20. INVESTMENT INCOME	673.00	600.00
==>	21. MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT	11,131.00	0.00
==>	22. MISCELLANEOUS RECURRING (PLEASE SPECIFY)	805.00	1,650.00
	23. MISCELLANEOUS NON-RECURRING (PLEASE SPECIFY)	8,514.00	1,500.00
	24. Totals	75,142.00	53,950.00

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 2018 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 | 10/28/2017 8:17 AM

Comment:

* 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 departmental revolving funds per Chapter 44, Section 53E 1/2. 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 2018 estimated receipts to FY 2017 estimated receipts to be used in calculating the Municipal Revenue Growth Factor (MRGF).

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION 2017 (Continued)

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
DIVISION OF LOCAL SERVICES
BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS

Rowe
TOWN

TAX RATE RECAPITULATION Fiscal Year 2018

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) *** Departmental Revolving Funds	(i) Borrowing Authorization (Other)
11/16/2016	2017	70,000.00	0.00	70,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
05/08/2017	2018	3,998,227.00	3,788,263.00	204,964.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	27,000.00	0.00
09/07/2017	2018	242,906.01	0.00	0.00	242,906.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total		4,311,133.01	3,788,263.00	274,964.00	247,906.01	0.00	0.00	0.00		

* Enter the fiscal year to which the appropriation relates, i.e., fiscal year 2017 or fiscal 2018.

** 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.

Katherine Sprague, Town Clerk, Rowe, townclerk@rowe-ma.gov 413-339-5520 | 10/19/2017 5:55 PM



Summer Fun at Pelham Lake Park

PROPERTY TRANSFERS FOR 2017

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

CITIMORTGAGE, INC. OF NEW YORK, for consideration of \$10.00, grant to **THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT** of Oklahoma City, OK, property located at 306 Zoar Rd. [Map 203 Lot 24 – B6982/P180]

GREENFIELD SAVINGS BANK of Greenfield, MA, in consideration of \$40,000.00, grant to **CADARETTE, STEPHEN** of Leyden, MA, property located at 11 Hazelton Rd. [Map 203 Lots 30+31, B6985/P104]

SECRETARY OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT, of Washington D.C., in consideration of \$123,000.00, grant to **KUEHL, DENNIS W. & KUEHL, SUZANNE** of Rowe, property located at 43 Middletown Hill Rd. [Map 202 Lot 78, B6989/P310]

ANTHONY, ARTHUR J., of Concord, MA, for consideration of less than \$100.00, grant to **ANTHONY, JR., ARTHUR J. & ANTHONY, ELAINE M. as Trustees of the ARTHUR J. ANTHONY, JR. 2006 REVOCABLE TRUST**, of Concord, MA, property located at Potter Rd. [Map 402 Lot 18, B6989/P38]

ANTHONY, ARTHUR J., of Concord, MA, for consideration of less than \$100.00, grant to **ANTHONY, JR., ARTHUR J. & ANTHONY, ELAINE M. as Trustees of the ARTHUR J. ANTHONY, JR. 2006 REVOCABLE TRUST**, of Concord, MA, property located at Potter Rd. [Map 402 Lot 19, B6989/P42]

ANTHONY, ARTHUR J., of Concord, MA, for consideration of less than \$100.00, grant to **ANTHONY, JR., ARTHUR J. & ANTHONY, ELAINE M. as Trustees of the ARTHUR J. ANTHONY, JR. 2006 REVOCABLE TRUST**, of Concord, MA, property located at Potter Rd. [Map 402 Lot 16, B6989/P45]

ANTHONY, ARTHUR J., of Concord, MA, for consideration of less than \$100.00, grant to **ANTHONY, JR., ARTHUR J. & ANTHONY, ELAINE M. as Trustees of the ARTHUR J. ANTHONY, JR. 2006 REVOCABLE TRUST**, of Concord, MA, property located at 172 Potter Rd. [Map 402 Lot 20, B6989/P48]

PIERCE, JUDITH, of Rowe, for consideration of \$262,230.00, grant to **CAREY, COLLEEN** of Rowe, property located at 37 Brittingham Hill Rd. [Map 407 Lot 43, B6988/P31]

DUNNELL, DALE W., Trustee of the Dale S. Dunnell 2004 Living Trust of Rowe, for consideration of \$655,500.00, grant to **BUTZKE, HERBERT & BUTZKE, DONNA** of Sparta, NJ, property located at 137 Leshure Rd. [Map 402 Lots 1, 67, 69, 70, 74, 75; B7023/P90]

THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT of Washington, D.C. for consideration of \$1.00, grant to **CITIMORTGAGE, INC.**, of O'Fallon, MO, property located at 306 Zoar Rd. [Map 203 Lot 24, B7035/P115]

BALDWIN, CYNTHIA A. of Townsend, MA, **DANDENEAU, HENRY J.** of Rowe, **BURROWS, KATHLEEN R.** of Greenfield, MA, **ZOMEK, MARIE E.** of Huntington, MA & **DANDENEAU, THOMAS F.** of Westfield, MA, for consideration of \$221,000.00, grant to **DENSON, MICHAEL A. & DENSON, NORMA L.** of Gill, MA, property located at 100 Leshure Rd. [Map 403 Lot 25, B7049/P217]

PARENT, JEFFREY E. & PARENT, MARGARET of Rowe, for consideration of \$280,000.00, grant to **ROSE-FISH, JOHN, & ROSE-FISH, JILL M.** of Rowe, property located at 32 Shippee Rd. [Map 202 Lot 58, B7039/P64]

BALDWIN, CYNTHIA A. of Townsend, MA, **DANDENEAU, HENRY J.** of Rowe, **BURROWS, KATHLEEN R.** of Greenfield, MA, **ZOMEK, MARIE E.** of Huntington, MA & **DANDENEAU, THOMAS F.** of Westfield, MA, for consideration of \$20,264.48, grant to **DANDENEAU, HENRY J. & DANDENEAU, EVELYN L.** of Rowe, property located on Leshure Rd. [Map 403 Lots 25.1+26, B7063/P274]

KUEHL, DENNIS W. & KUEHL, SUZANNE of Heath, MA, for consideration of less than \$195,000.00, grant to **KUEHL, ANDREW D.** of Rowe, property located at 43 Middletown Hill Rd. [Map 202 Lot 78, B7064/P74]

KEPPLER, DAVID J. & STRULES, JENNIFER E., of Rowe, for consideration of \$219,000, grant to **TOMLINSON, SUSAN D. & ACUFF, DOUGLAS M.** of Tucson, AZ, property located at 145 Leshure Rd. [Map 402 Lot 68, B7071/P93]

CITIMORTGAGE, INC. of New York, for consideration of \$10.00, grant to **THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT** of Oklahoma City, OK, property located at 306 Zoar Rd. [Map 203 Lot 24, B7085/P132]

DONNELLY, LAURA W. of Easthampton, MA, **Successor Trustee of the G. Alan Wyland 2013 Revocable Living Trust**, in consideration of \$1.00, grant to **DONNELLY, LAURA W.** of Easthampton, MA, **HAFSTROM, MARTHA** of Sublimity, OR, **WYLAND, CLIFFORD W.** of Bend, OR & **WYLAND, SCOTT A.** of Bend OR, property located on Potter Rd. [Map 402 Lot 14, B7091/P137]

RIGGAN, JOHN R. & RIGGAN, MARGALEE O. of Shelburne Falls, MA & **KATZ, DEBORAH M.** of Greenfield, MA, in consideration of \$35,000, grant to **NEW ENGLAND FORESTRY FOUNDATION, INC.** of Littleton, MA, properties located on Stone Hill Rd. [Map 402 Lots 54, 55, 61; B7142/P17]

GRAY, GARY L. of Deerfield, MA, in consideration of \$1.00, grant to **WALLNER, JENNIFER** of Greenfield, MA property at 2 Dell Rd. [Map 408 Lot 2, B7143/P249]

PLANS RECORDED

BALDWIN, CYNTHIA A., DANDENEAU, HENRY J., BURROWS, KATHLEEN R., ZOMEK, MARIE E. & DANDENEAU, THOMAS R. Subdivision of Lot 25 at 100 Leshure Rd. Created new Map 403 Lot 25.1. Plan recorded 6/22/2017. [Map 403 Lot 25, B141/P44].

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT – FISCAL YEAR - 2017

July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017

Year/Tax	Outstanding 7-1-16	Commitments	Abatements	Tax Title	Payments	Refunds	Adjust - ments *	Outstanding 6-30-17
11 MVE	-180.83	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-180.83
12 MVE	-285.94	0		0.00	46.25	0.00	0.00	-239.69
13 MVE	-125.63	0		0.00	91.25	0.00	0.00	-34.38
14 MVE	-82.50	0		0.00	48.75	0.00	0.00	-33.75
15 MVE	-689.06	0		0.00	249.06	0.00	0.00	-440.00
16 MVE	-3,555.21	-4,979.31	737.57	0.00	7,546.17	-737.57	0.00	-988.35
17 MVE	0.00	-40,597.70	2,783.19	0.00	36,011.71	-431.57	0.00	-2,234.37
14 RE	-41.28	0	0	0.00	41.28	0.00	0.00	0.00
15 RE	-1,717.73	0	0	0.00	1,342.14	0.00	0.00	-375.59
16 RE	-9,201.88	0	0	0.00	6,919.52	0.00	0.00	-2,282.36
17 RE	0.00	-27,11487.89	4880.76	79.85	27,02634.34	-1,715.30	0.00	-5,608.24
17 PP	0.00	-94,1418.47	225.14	0.00	940486.67	0.00	0.00	-706.66
TOTALS	-15,880.06	-3,698,483.37	8,626.66	79.85	3,695,417.14	-2,884.44	0.00	-13,124.22

Miscellaneous Collections

Lien Fees	\$ 525.00
Demand/Warrant/Misc. Fees	665.00
Deputy Collector Fees	228.00
Mark for Non-Renewal	340.00
Interest on Overdue Tax Payments	1,821.97
NSF Fees Collected	00.00
Bank Interest	.12
<u>TT Fees/Postage Legal Ad</u>	<u>00.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 3580.09

Respectfully Submitted,
Sandra P. Daviau, Tax Collector

TOWN OF ROWE – BALANCE SHEET ASSETS

ASSETS - JUNE 30, 2017

ASSETS	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUES	TRUST & AGENCY	LONG-TERM DEBT
Cash	\$ 727,613.47	\$994,988.23	\$1,626,734.90	
Personal Property Taxes	\$706.66			
Real Estate Taxes	\$8,266.19			
Allowance for Abatements	(\$39,079.50)			
Tax Titles	\$2,743.18			
Motor Veh Excise Tax Receipts	\$6,916.18			
TOTAL ASSETS	\$717,166.18	\$994,988.23	\$1,626,734.90	

TOWN OF ROWE – BALANCE SHEET LIABILITIES

LIABILITIES - JUNE 30, 2017

LIABILITIES	GENERAL FUND	SPECIAL REVENUES	TRUST & AGENCY	LONG-TERM DEBT
Life Insurance	\$28.98			
Dental Insurance	\$311.70			
Disability Insurance	\$7.10			
Medical Insurance W/H	\$5,528.30			
Aflac Withholding	\$65.50			
Def. Rev- Property Tax	(\$30,106.65)			
Def. Rev – Tax Title	\$2,743.18			
Def.Rev- Motor Vehicle Excise	\$6,916.18			
Off Duty Police			(\$160.00)	
Retiree Health Ins Payable			\$16,114.08	
Due to Dpty Tax Collector			(\$24.00)	
NBSU EES Insurance			(\$569.28)	
Firearms Permits			\$450.00	
School Activity Agency			\$2,088.83	
Total Liabilities	(\$14,505.71)	00.00	\$17,899.63	

TOWN OF ROWE – BALANCE SHEET FUND EQUITY

June 30, 2017

Fund Equity	General Fund	Special Revenues	Trust and Agency	Long-Term Debt
FB Res for Encumbrances	\$92,420.00			
Free Cash to Bal.Budget	\$162,248.00			
Overlay Srpls to Bal.Budg	\$13,997.00			
FB Res Carryovers	\$213,670.40			
Unreserved Fund Balance	\$239,336.49			
Cultural Council		\$7,415.55		
Fschool Programs Revolving		\$1,559.28		
fRecycling Revolving Program		\$5,000.00		
BOH Vaccine Purchase Revolving		\$1,747.21		
fEmergency Dispensing Site Revolving		\$555.24		
Old Home Day		\$906.09		
School Lunch		\$12,007.16		
Dollar General School Grant		\$708.10		
After School Program		\$120.00		
REAP Grant		\$4,116.21		
Field Trip/Act Scholarship Gif		\$526.60		
SPED PR Improv 274-333		\$89.00		
SPED-IDEA Grant 240-303,94-142		\$1,688.81		
School Choice		\$163,811.98		
After School Tuition		\$241.10		
FFY2016 EMPG		(\$2,199.50)		
School Grant		\$1,000.00		
Council on Aging Grant		\$1,924.21		
Library State Aid		\$3,570.24		
Wetlands Protection		\$2,932.81		
Cemetery Sale of Lots		\$863.00		
PB Seaboard Solar Escrow		\$1,358.38		
East Cemetery Gift Account		\$500.00		
West Cemetery Gift Account		\$25.00		
Park Gift Account		\$462.00		
Brian Vega Scholarship Gift Ac		\$4,550.48		
Library Gift Account		\$416.89		
Lib-FWMLA Bks/Periodicals Gran		\$12.45		
Greenfield Garden Club Grant		\$79.94		
fTown Share BB Construction		\$559,000.00		
fLast Mile State Grant		\$220,000.00		
Martha Henry Memorial Non-Expe			\$3,213.51	
Rowe Library Fund Non-Expendab			\$136.08	
Charles Wells Mem. Library Non			\$500.00	
Preserved Smith Library Non-Ex			\$1,000.00	
Demons/Gould Mem Lib Non-Expe			\$5,000.00	
A.B. White Mem Library Non-Exp			\$1,404.00	
L.Tower Jones Mem Library Non-			\$1,404.00	
Rowe Memorial Scholarship Expendable			\$3,710.40	
Martha Henry Memorial Expendable			\$5,560.00	
Perpetual Care Cemeteries Expendable			\$20,757.05	
Rowe Library Fund Expendable			\$347.88	
Charles Wells Mem. Library Expendable			\$2,983.24	
Preserved Smith Library Expendable			\$833.88	
Demons/Gould Mem Lib Expendable			\$11,907.83	
Foster Donation Expendable			\$3,120.38	
A.B. White Mem Library Expendable			\$4,096.69	
L.Tower Jones Mem Library Expendable			\$4,096.69	
fTH Generator Stab.			\$50,580.89	
fDPW Road Reclam. Stab.			\$76,574.38	
fStabilization			\$684,058.22	
fCapital Stabilization			\$727,550.15	
B/A Regional Broadband				(\$860,000.00)
Unissued Regional Broadband				\$860,000.00
Total Fund Equity	\$721,671.89	\$994,988.23	\$1,608,835.27	\$0.00
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$707,166.18		\$1,626,734.90	

TOWN ACCOUNTANT – GENERAL FUND EXPENSE REPORT 2017

as of: 6/30/2017

General Government		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-114-100	Moderator Stipend		439.00		439.00	439.00	0.00	100%
01-5-122-100	Selectmen Stipends		5,928.00		5,928.00	5,841.25	86.75	99%
01-5-123-110	Administrative Assist. Comp		6,811.00	-1,224.00	5,587.00	3,688.07	1,898.93	66%
01-5-124-000	Executive Secretary		45,045.00		45,045.00	45,045.00	0.00	100%
01-5-124-400	General Administration		131,870.00		131,870.00	115,249.13	16,620.87	87%
01-5-132-400	Reserve Fund		20,000.00	-7,258.28	12,741.72		12,741.72	
01-5-135-000	Town Accountant		15,732.00		15,732.00	15,732.00	0.00	100%
01-5-135-430	Town Accounting Expenses		2,530.00		2,530.00	1,592.35	937.65	63%
01-5-141-000	Assessors Stipends/Wages		15,156.00		15,156.00	13,955.51	1,200.49	92%
01-5-141-400	Assessors' Operation		8,200.00		8,200.00	8,008.48	191.52	98%
01-5-145-000	Treasurer Stipend/Wages		20,316.00	1,224.00	21,540.00	20,939.67	600.33	97%
01-5-146-100	Tax Collector Stipend		7,629.00		7,629.00	7,629.00	0.00	100%
01-5-146-400	Tax Collector Operations		7,290.00		7,290.00	7,284.36	5.64	100%
01-5-151-400	Legal Expense		10,000.00		10,000.00	3,984.25	6,015.75	40%
01-5-161-100	Town Clerk Stipend		12,973.00		12,973.00	12,973.42	-0.42	100%
01-5-161-440	Town Clerk Expenses		7,350.00		7,350.00	6,272.98	1,077.02	85%
01-5-171-400	Conservation Comm Operati		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,160.46	339.54	77%
01-5-175-000	Planning Board		6,406.00		6,406.00	877.09	5,528.91	14%
01-5-175-420	PB Goal Post Operations		12,403.00		12,403.00	8,942.21	3,460.79	72%
01-5-192-110	Town Hall Custodian Wages		13,002.00		13,002.00	12,923.42	78.58	99%
01-5-192-440	Energy Committee Operation		500.00		500.00		500.00	
General Government Totals:			351,080.00	-7,258.28	343,821.72	292,537.65	51,284.07	
Public Safety		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-210-000	Police Salaries		50,358.00	600.00	50,958.00	50,928.01	29.99	100%
01-5-210-400	Police Department Operation		8,850.00		8,850.00	8,420.25	429.75	95%
01-5-220-000	Fire Department Stipends		25,232.00		25,232.00	23,422.76	1,809.24	93%
01-5-220-120	Emergency Management Dire		3,864.00		3,864.00	3,864.00	0.00	100%
01-5-220-217	Enc. Fire Dept Ops 2017			1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00	
01-5-220-400	Fire Dept. General Operation		31,017.00	-1,000.00	30,017.00	26,068.60	3,948.40	87%
01-5-220-430	Emergency Management		3,000.00		3,000.00	2,992.17	7.83	100%
01-5-291-110	EMS Stipends		8,508.00	-1,110.00	7,398.00	5,446.19	1,951.81	74%
01-5-291-400	EMS Operations/Maintenanc		2,500.00	1,110.00	3,610.00	3,606.53	3.47	100%
01-5-292-000	Animal Control Stipends		2,189.00		2,189.00	1,657.00	532.00	76%
01-5-292-110	Reg Dog Control/ Adoption		350.00		350.00	350.00	0.00	100%
Public Safety Totals:			135,868.00	600.00	136,468.00	126,755.51	9,712.49	
Education		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-300-100	School Committee Stipends		4,564.00		4,564.00	4,564.00	0.00	100%
01-5-300-400	Rowe School K-6		1,100,131.00	-45,679.24	1,054,451.76	1,054,130.42	321.34	100%
01-5-300-401	Encumb. Summer Salaries			91,420.00	91,420.00		91,420.00	
01-5-320-400	Schools 7-12		539,934.00	-45,740.76	494,193.24	494,193.24	0.00	100%

GENERAL FUND EXPENSE REPORT 2017 – (Continued)

as of: 6/30/2017

General Government		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-114-100	Moderator Stipend		439.00		439.00	439.00	0.00	100%
01-5-122-100	Selectmen Stipends		5,928.00		5,928.00	5,841.25	86.75	99%
01-5-123-110	Administrative Assist. Comp		6,811.00	-1,224.00	5,587.00	3,688.07	1,898.93	66%
01-5-124-000	Executive Secretary		45,045.00		45,045.00	45,045.00	0.00	100%
01-5-124-400	General Administration		131,870.00		131,870.00	115,249.13	16,620.87	87%
01-5-132-400	Reserve Fund		20,000.00	-7,258.28	12,741.72		12,741.72	
01-5-135-000	Town Accountant		15,732.00		15,732.00	15,732.00	0.00	100%
01-5-135-430	Town Accounting Expenses		2,530.00		2,530.00	1,592.35	937.65	63%
01-5-141-000	Assessors Stipends/Wages		15,156.00		15,156.00	13,955.51	1,200.49	92%
01-5-141-400	Assessors' Operation		8,200.00		8,200.00	8,008.48	191.52	98%
01-5-145-000	Treasurer Stipend/Wages		20,316.00	1,224.00	21,540.00	20,939.67	600.33	97%
01-5-146-100	Tax Collector Stipend		7,629.00		7,629.00	7,629.00	0.00	100%
01-5-146-400	Tax Collector Operations		7,290.00		7,290.00	7,284.36	5.64	100%
01-5-151-400	Legal Expense		10,000.00		10,000.00	3,984.25	6,015.75	40%
01-5-161-100	Town Clerk Stipend		12,973.00		12,973.00	12,973.42	-0.42	100%
01-5-161-440	Town Clerk Expenses		7,350.00		7,350.00	6,272.98	1,077.02	85%
01-5-171-400	Conservation Comm Operati		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,160.46	339.54	77%
01-5-175-000	Planning Board		6,406.00		6,406.00	877.09	5,528.91	14%
01-5-175-420	PB Goal Post Operations		12,403.00		12,403.00	8,942.21	3,460.79	72%
01-5-192-110	Town Hall Custodian Wages		13,002.00		13,002.00	12,923.42	78.58	99%
01-5-192-440	Energy Committee Operation		500.00		500.00		500.00	
General Government Totals:			351,080.00	-7,258.28	343,821.72	292,537.65	51,284.07	
Public Safety		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-210-000	Police Salaries		50,358.00	600.00	50,958.00	50,928.01	29.99	100%
01-5-210-400	Police Department Operation		8,850.00		8,850.00	8,420.25	429.75	95%
01-5-220-000	Fire Department Stipends		25,232.00		25,232.00	23,422.76	1,809.24	93%
01-5-220-120	Emergency Management Dire		3,864.00		3,864.00	3,864.00	0.00	100%
01-5-220-217	Enc. Fire Dept Ops 2017			1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00	
01-5-220-400	Fire Dept. General Operation		31,017.00	-1,000.00	30,017.00	26,068.60	3,948.40	87%
01-5-220-430	Emergency Management		3,000.00		3,000.00	2,992.17	7.83	100%
01-5-291-110	EMS Stipends		8,508.00	-1,110.00	7,398.00	5,446.19	1,951.81	74%
01-5-291-400	EMS Operations/Maintenanc		2,500.00	1,110.00	3,610.00	3,606.53	3.47	100%
01-5-292-000	Animal Control Stipends		2,189.00		2,189.00	1,657.00	532.00	76%
01-5-292-110	Reg Dog Control/ Adoption		350.00		350.00	350.00	0.00	100%
Public Safety Totals:			135,868.00	600.00	136,468.00	126,755.51	9,712.49	
Education		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance	
01-5-300-100	School Committee Stipends		4,564.00		4,564.00	4,564.00	0.00	100%
01-5-300-400	Rowe School K-6		1,100,131.00	-45,679.24	1,054,451.76	1,054,130.42	321.34	100%
01-5-300-401	Encumb. Summer Salaries			91,420.00	91,420.00		91,420.00	
01-5-320-400	Schools 7-12		539,934.00	-45,740.76	494,193.24	494,193.24	0.00	100%

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Education Totals:		1,644,629.00	0.00	1,644,629.00	1,552,887.66	91,741.34	
<u>Public Works and Facilities</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-421-000	DPW Salary and Wages		287,867.00		287,867.00	261,291.93	26,575.07 91%
01-5-422-400	DPW Operations		274,910.00		274,910.00	231,404.73	43,505.27 84%
01-5-424-400	Street lighting		5,500.00		5,500.00	5,085.67	414.33 92%
01-5-424-410	Municipal Light Plant		1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00 100%
01-5-491-400	Cemeteries-Maint/Repair		15,000.00		15,000.00	14,850.00	150.00 99%
Public Works and Facilities Totals:			584,277.00		584,277.00	513,632.33	70,644.67
<u>Human Services</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-512-000	Health Dept. Stipends/Wages		73,444.00	933.78	74,377.78	73,903.60	474.18 99%
01-5-512-400	Board of Health Operations		56,280.00	44.22	56,324.22	54,334.21	1,990.01 96%
01-5-541-400	Council on Aging Exp		4,600.00		4,600.00	4,245.78	354.22 92%
01-5-543-430	Veteran's Services		2,233.00		2,233.00	2,132.54	100.46 96%
Human Services Totals:			136,557.00	978.00	137,535.00	134,616.13	2,918.87
<u>Culture and Recreation</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-610-000	Library Salaries/Wages		38,290.00		38,290.00	37,865.70	424.30 99%
01-5-610-400	Library Operations		29,562.00		29,562.00	21,606.44	7,955.56 73%
01-5-630-110	Pelham Lake Park Wages		88,554.00	-126.50	88,427.50	88,039.29	388.21 100%
01-5-630-400	Pelham Lake Operation & M		19,830.00	1,280.28	21,110.28	21,030.23	80.05 100%
01-5-634-400	Gracy House Operations		4,000.00		4,000.00	1,942.67	2,057.33 49%
01-5-634-410	Gracy House Materials/Suppl		500.00		500.00	252.96	247.04 51%
01-5-692-410	Beautification Committee		2,000.00	126.50	2,126.50	1,916.51	209.99 90%
01-5-692-420	Old Home Days		5,500.00		5,500.00	5,046.48	453.52 92%
01-5-692-430	Old Home Days Fireworks		5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00 100%
Culture and Recreation Totals:			193,236.00	1,280.28	194,516.28	182,700.28	11,816.00
<u>Intergovernmental Expenditures</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-820-640	Air Pollution District		373.00		373.00	373.00	0.00 100%
01-5-820-646	RMV Marking Surchg		240.00		240.00	480.00	-240.00 200%
01-5-820-663	Reg Transit Authority		2,253.00		2,253.00	2,253.00	0.00 100%
01-5-820-701	School Choice Sending Tuiti		21,957.00		21,957.00	23,471.00	-1,514.00 107%
01-5-820-702	Charter School Sending Tuiti		87,021.00		87,021.00	69,167.00	17,854.00 79%
01-5-830-000	FRCOG Services		23,384.00		23,384.00	22,438.85	945.15 96%
Intergovernmental Expenditures Totals:			135,228.00		135,228.00	118,182.85	17,045.15
<u>Miscellaneous</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
01-5-911-400	Franklin County Retirement		125,895.00		125,895.00	125,895.00	0.00 100%
01-5-913-400	Unemployment Insurance		1,000.00	-600.00	400.00		400.00
01-5-914-400	Group Health/ Dental/Life In		465,000.00		465,000.00	463,385.07	1,614.93 100%
01-5-916-400	FICA/Medicare Tax		50,000.00		50,000.00	40,569.54	9,430.46 81%
01-5-970-961	Tr To Capital Stabilization		187,329.00		187,329.00	187,329.00	0.00 100%
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01-5-970-962	Tr To Stabilization			183,364.00	183,364.00	183,364.00	0.00 100%
01-5-999-902	Encumb. Listed in 02	13,834.52			13,834.52	13,834.52	0.00 100%
01-5-999-903	Special Projects in 03	171,571.59	11,000.00	116,600.00	299,171.59	299,171.59	0.00 100%
Miscellaneous Totals:		185,406.11	840,224.00	299,364.00	1,324,994.11	1,313,548.72	11,445.39
Grand Totals:		185,406.11	4,021,099.00	294,964.00	4,501,469.11	4,234,861.13	266,607.98



TOWN ACCOUNTANT – GENERAL FUND REVENUE REPORT 2017

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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		941,132.79		941,132.79	939,177.49	1,955.30
01-4-120-000	Real Estate Taxes		2,711,487.59		2,711,487.59	2,709,221.98	2,265.61
01-4-130-000	Allow. for Abates & Exempts		-14,029.38		-14,029.38		-14,029.38
01-4-150-000	Motor Vehicle Excise		43,000.00		43,000.00	42,819.99	180.01
01-4-170-000	Pen & Int on Prop Taxes		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,532.46	-32.46
01-4-171-000	Pen & Int on Excise Taxes				0.00	289.41	-289.41
Taxes and Excises Totals:			3,683,091.00		3,683,091.00	3,693,041.33	-9,950.33
<u>Fees</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-300-161	Town Clerk Fees				0.00	278.00	-278.00
01-4-300-210	Police Fees				0.00	136.00	-136.00
01-4-300-211	Police Gun Permit Fees to To		1,000.00		1,000.00	400.00	600.00
Fees Totals:			1,000.00		1,000.00	814.00	186.00
<u>Licenses and Permits</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-400-512	Permits-Board of Health		500.00		500.00	50.00	450.00
Licenses and Permits Totals:			500.00		500.00	50.00	450.00
<u>Federal Revenue</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-540-000	USPS Contract Revenue		5,222.00		5,222.00	5,982.36	-760.36
Federal Revenue Totals:			5,222.00		5,222.00	5,982.36	-760.36
<u>State Revenue</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-610-000	Local PILOT				0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00
01-4-616-000	Exemp: VBS & Elderly State				0.00	4.00	-4.00
01-4-620-000	School Aid Chapter 70		134,795.00		134,795.00	134,795.00	0.00
01-4-661-000	Charter Tuition Reimburseme		41,033.00		41,033.00	24,872.00	16,161.00
01-4-676-000	Unrestricted General Aid		3,788.00		3,788.00	3,788.00	0.00
01-4-679-000	State Owned Land		6,414.00		6,414.00	6,414.00	0.00
01-4-680-000	Extended Polling Hours				0.00	670.00	-670.00
01-4-681-000	Medicaid Reimb. School				0.00	11,130.75	-11,130.75
State Revenue Totals:			186,030.00		186,030.00	183,673.75	2,356.25
<u>Other Intergovernmental Revenue</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-700-001	RMV Marking Fees		175.00		175.00	340.00	-165.00
01-4-701-000	Library Fines				0.00	16.40	-16.40
01-4-770-000	CMVI fines				0.00	75.00	-75.00
01-4-771-000	District Court Fines				0.00	100.00	-100.00
Other Intergovernmental Revenue Totals:			175.00		175.00	531.40	-356.40
<u>Miscellaneous Revenue</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-816-000	Sale of Surplus Equipment				0.00	3,500.00	-3,500.00

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01-4-820-000	Earnings on Investments	600.00	600.00	673.24	-73.24
01-4-821-000	Goal Post Subscriptions		0.00	36.20	-36.20
01-4-841-000	Copies		0.00	98.75	-98.75
01-4-842-000	Prior Year Refund		0.00	1,504.98	-1,504.98
01-4-845-000	K-6 Tuition Reimbursement		0.00	3,402.00	-3,402.00
Miscellaneous Revenue Totals:		600.00	600.00	9,215.17	-8,615.17

Other Financing Sources

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
01-4-970-026				0.00	106.83	-106.83
01-4-970-029				0.00	0.25	-0.25
01-4-970-083			20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00
01-4-999-899		42,410.00		42,410.00	42,410.00	0.00
01-4-999-900		102,071.00		102,071.00	102,071.00	0.00
01-4-999-901			274,964.00	274,964.00	274,964.00	0.00
01-4-999-902	13,834.52			13,834.52	13,834.52	0.00
01-4-999-903	171,571.59			171,571.59	171,571.59	0.00
Other Financing Sources Totals:		185,406.11	144,481.00	294,964.00	624,851.11	624,958.19
Grand Totals:		185,406.11	4,021,099.00	294,964.00	4,501,469.11	4,518,266.20
						-16,797.09



At the Pelham Park Hut – Summer Program

TOWN ACCOUNTANT – OTHER FUNDS EXPENSE REPORT 2017

as of: 6/30/2017

Fund: 02

Encumbrances

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
02-5-124-400 Enc. General Admin	425.00			425.00	425.00	0.00
02-5-175-000 Enc. PB Goal Post Exp	428.14			428.14	428.14	0.00
02-5-220-430 Enc. Emergency Mgmt.	418.58			418.58	418.58	0.00
02-5-300-216 Rowe School Salary Enc 2016	12,487.80			12,487.80	12,487.80	0.00
02-5-422-400 Enc. DPW Operations	75.00			75.00	75.00	0.00
Totals:	13,834.52			13,834.52	13,834.52	0.00

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	8,000.00		6,000.00	14,000.00		14,000.00
03-5-141-800 Assessor 's FY 18 Triennial Reva	17,766.58	11,000.00		28,766.58	77.27	28,689.31
03-5-141-900 Assess. Full Measure & List			14,000.00	14,000.00	9,597.50	4,402.50
03-5-150-151 New Computer Server	1,308.01			1,308.01		1,308.01
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	478.00			478.00	202.06	275.94
03-5-192-003 TH Elevator Upgrade	4,000.00			4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00
03-5-192-840 TH Ceiling Tiles	1,075.60			1,075.60		1,075.60
03-5-192-860 Gazebo Replacement	7,401.42			7,401.42		7,401.42
03-5-210-810 Fire LED Exterior Lighting	1,115.03			1,115.03	515.11	599.92
03-5-422-840 Bridge Rehab Program	113,852.50			113,852.50		113,852.50
03-5-439-002 TS Permanent Repairs			70,000.00	70,000.00	63,431.25	6,568.75
03-5-439-018 Compactor Ramp Repair			1,500.00	1,500.00		1,500.00
03-5-512-100 BOH Filing and Organization	113.07			113.07	112.16	0.91
03-5-610-018 Window Repair-Library			15,000.00	15,000.00		15,000.00
03-5-610-810 Library Restroom	6,556.00			6,556.00		6,556.00
03-5-630-017 Park Vehicle Repair Fund			5,000.00	5,000.00		5,000.00
03-5-630-018 Park Headquarters Siding			5,100.00	5,100.00		5,100.00
03-5-630-840 Park Compost Lav Facility	357.32			357.32	357.32	0.00
03-5-634-820 Gracy House Painting	548.06			548.06		548.06
Totals:	171,571.59	11,000.00	116,600.00	299,171.59	78,292.67	220,878.92

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	0.00
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	0.00
21-5-216-005 Mem. Hall-Dixie Swim	50.00			50.00	50.00	0.00
21-5-216-006 Heath Agric.-Heath Fair	170.00			170.00	170.00	0.00
21-5-216-007 Jon Diamond-Theatre	100.00			100.00		100.00
21-5-216-009 Ed the Wizard	350.00			350.00	350.00	0.00
21-5-216-010 FLT-Day on the River	80.00			80.00	80.00	0.00

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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	0.00	
21-5-216-014	Rowe Hist.-Industrial Past	100.00		100.00	100.00	0.00	
21-5-216-015	Rowe Hist.-Dr Hayes	100.00		100.00	100.00	0.00	
21-5-216-017	Leventhal-It's Your Story	200.00		200.00	200.00	0.00	
21-5-217-001	Maichack-House that Jack Built		455.00	455.00		455.00	
21-5-217-002	Pothole Pix-Film Series		400.00	400.00	400.00	0.00	
21-5-217-003	Root-Trees for Every Purpose		450.00	450.00		450.00	
21-5-217-004	Rowe Hist. Society-Concert		375.00	375.00	375.00	0.00	
21-5-217-005	FCTS Drama-Spring Play		275.00	275.00	275.00	0.00	
21-5-217-006	Mohawk Trail Concerts-Summer		200.00	200.00		200.00	
21-5-217-007	Hilltown Families- Suggest		140.00	140.00	140.00	0.00	
21-5-217-008	Ed the Wizard-Magic for Seniors		450.00	450.00	450.00	0.00	
21-5-217-009	Poplawksi-Pelham Lake Concert		400.00	400.00		400.00	
21-5-217-010	HAS-Heath Fair Music		200.00	200.00		200.00	
21-5-217-011	Charlemont Forum 2017		200.00	200.00		200.00	
21-5-217-012	Mem. Hall Assoc.-"Rumors"		200.00	200.00		200.00	
21-5-217-013	The Art Garden-Exhibits		250.00	250.00		250.00	
21-5-217-014	Double Edge Theatre-Hilltown S		200.00	200.00	200.00	0.00	
21-5-217-015	The Art Garden-Hilltown Draw		100.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	
21-5-217-016	Ashfield Comm. Theater-Play		169.00	169.00		169.00	
21-5-217-017	RES-Rowe School Cultural Stud		2,000.00	2,000.00		2,000.00	
21-5-217-018	RES-Rowe School Passion for Bi		400.00	400.00		400.00	
21-5-217-019	Piti Theatre-Just This		200.00	200.00		200.00	
21-5-217-020	Collected Poets-2017 Season		150.00	150.00		150.00	
21-5-690-005	Cultural Council	2,984.35	-2,742.80	241.55		241.55	
Totals:		6,134.35	7,214.00	-2,742.80	10,605.55	3,190.00	7,415.55

Fund: 23

Highway Grants

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
23-5-422-090 Chapter 90	372,290.41	146,389.00		518,679.41		518,679.41
Totals:	372,290.41	146,389.00		518,679.41		518,679.41

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	4,266.81	16,023.41	14,464.13	1,559.28
26-5-433-001 Recycling Revolving Expense	3,208.59	5,000.00	-3,101.76	5,106.83	106.83	5,000.00
26-5-512-001 BOH Vaccine Purchase	2,860.99	6,000.00	-4,396.12	4,464.87	2,717.66	1,747.21
26-5-512-002 Emergency Dispensing Site Rev.	1,000.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	1,000.00	444.76	555.24
26-5-690-003 Old Home Day	1,835.99	5,000.00	-5,000.00	1,835.99	929.90	906.09
Totals:	10,662.17	27,000.00	-9,231.07	28,431.10	18,663.28	9,767.82

Fund: 27

Available Funds

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
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27-5-999-000	Available Free Cash	437,212.00	437,212.00	437,212.00	0.00
Totals:		437,212.00	437,212.00	437,212.00	0.00

Fund: 28

School Grants & Special Funds

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
28-5-300-002	School Choice	108,038.16	139,232.00	247,270.16	83,458.18	163,811.98
28-5-300-003	School Lunch	6,314.09	13,902.73	20,216.82	8,209.66	12,007.16
28-5-300-004	Field Trip/Act Scholarship Gif	516.60	250.00	766.60	240.00	526.60
28-5-300-007	SPED-IDEA Grant 240-303,94-1	1,563.72	10,468.00	12,031.72	10,342.91	1,688.81
28-5-300-293	DG School Library Grant	31.05	708.10	739.15	31.05	708.10
28-5-300-300	After School Program	320.00		320.00	200.00	120.00
28-5-300-500	Ed Jobs Grant 206-305	19.99		19.99	19.99	0.00
28-5-300-503	REAP Grant	3,434.37	29,462.00	32,896.37	28,780.16	4,116.21
28-5-300-505	SPED Early Child 262	1,457.00		1,457.00	1,457.00	0.00
28-5-300-506	SPED Pr Improv 274-333	89.00		89.00		89.00
28-5-300-511	Kindergarten Grant 701	0.00		0.00		0.00
28-5-300-512	Title 11A Improving Ed Quality	1,620.00		1,620.00	1,620.00	0.00
28-5-300-551	After School Programs	241.10		241.10		241.10
28-5-500-298	SPED 298 FY2017		1,300.00	1,300.00	1,300.00	0.00
Totals:		123,645.08	1,300.00	194,022.83	318,967.91	183,308.96

Fund: 29

Miscellaneous Special Revenues

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
29-5-220-216	FFY 2016 EMPG	2,199.50		2,199.50	2,199.50	0.00
29-5-220-217	2017 AFG-TO Gear	10,512.00		10,512.00	10,512.00	0.00
29-5-300-001	School Grant Expense	1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00
29-5-422-005	Ins. Recovery-2011 Ford		950.49	950.49	950.49	0.00
29-5-500-002	Council on Aging Grant	3,665.16	1,334.84	5,000.00	3,075.79	1,924.21
29-5-500-413	DEP Small Scale		499.54	499.54	499.54	0.00
29-5-500-414	Library State Aid	1,762.48	1,972.49	3,734.97	164.73	3,570.24
29-5-560-001	Wetlands Protection	2,420.31	512.50	2,932.81		2,932.81
29-5-560-002	Cemetery Sale of Lots	863.00		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	412.00	50.00	462.00		462.00
29-5-580-276	Brian Vega Scholarship Gift Ac	4,575.48		4,575.48	25.00	4,550.48
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	2,087.55	12.45
29-5-580-286	Greenfield Garden Club Grant	79.94		79.94		79.94
Totals:		19,178.64	13,211.04	4,820.32	37,210.00	19,514.60

Fund: 33

Capital Projects

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
33-5-192-000	Broadband Start Up Borrowing	860,000.00		860,000.00		860,000.00

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33-5-192-001	Town Share BB Construction		559,000.00	559,000.00		559,000.00
33-5-192-002	Last Mile State Grant	440,000.00		440,000.00		440,000.00
Totals:		860,000.00	440,000.00	559,000.00	1,859,000.00	1,859,000.00

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 No	500.00		500.00		500.00
81-5-281-005	Preserved Smith Library Nonexp	1,000.00		1,000.00		1,000.00
81-5-281-006	Demonds/Gould Mem Lib None	5,000.00		5,000.00		5,000.00
81-5-281-008	A.B. White Mem Library Nonex	1,404.00		1,404.00		1,404.00
81-5-281-009	L.Tower Jones Mem Library No	1,404.00		1,404.00		1,404.00
Totals:		12,657.59		12,657.59		12,657.59

Fund: 82

Expendable Trusts

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
82-5-281-000	Rowe Memorial Scholarship Exp	3,729.31	6.09	3,735.40	25.00	3,710.40
82-5-281-001	Martha Henry Memorial Expend	5,545.65	14.35	5,560.00		5,560.00
82-5-281-002	Perpetual Care Cemeteries Expe	20,723.05	34.00	20,757.05		20,757.05
82-5-281-003	Rowe Library Fund Expendable	347.09	0.79	347.88		347.88
82-5-281-004	Charles Wells Mem. Library Exp	2,977.55	5.69	2,983.24		2,983.24
82-5-281-005	Preserved Smith Library Expend	830.89	2.99	833.88		833.88
82-5-281-006	Demons/Gould Mem Lib Expend	11,880.16	27.67	11,907.83		11,907.83
82-5-281-007	Foster Donation Expendable	3,115.27	5.11	3,120.38		3,120.38
82-5-281-008	A.B. White Mem Library Expen	4,087.69	9.00	4,096.69		4,096.69
82-5-281-009	L.Tower Jones Mem Library Exp	4,087.69	9.00	4,096.69		4,096.69
Totals:		57,324.35	114.69	57,439.04	25.00	57,414.04

Fund: 83

Regular Stabilization

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
83-5-000-000	Available Stabilization	1,012,499.89	-365,139.85	647,360.04		647,360.04
83-5-123-800	Fireproof File Cabinets	2,302.00		2,302.00		2,302.00
83-5-192-003	Town Hall Cement Sidewalk Re	3,500.00		3,500.00		3,500.00
83-5-192-450	Town Hall Generator Stab.	50,123.93	456.96	50,580.89		50,580.89
83-5-210-800	Police Protective Gear	73.59		73.59	73.59	0.00
83-5-217-001	School Technology	7,600.00		7,600.00	2,989.77	4,610.23
83-5-217-002	Municipal Audit	6,000.00	-6,000.00	0.00		0.00
83-5-217-003	Town Hall Bulkhead Door/Insula	1,500.00	-443.40	1,056.60	1,056.60	0.00
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	-1,246.00	1,754.00	1,754.00	0.00
83-5-217-007	FD-Handheld & Truck Radio	10,000.00	-523.20	9,476.80	9,476.80	0.00
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	0.00		0.00

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as of: 6/30/2017

83-5-217-010	Lukas Device	15,000.00	-985.95	14,014.05	14,014.05	0.00
83-5-217-011	Broadband Construction		0.00	0.00		0.00
83-5-217-012	Transfer Station Repair		5,500.00	5,500.00	5,500.00	0.00
83-5-220-801	FD Haz. Materials Trailer	1,700.00	-1,700.00	0.00		0.00
83-5-231-001	Future Ambulance Services	7,000.00	985.95	7,985.95		7,985.95
83-5-422-000	DPW Road Reclamation Stab.	75,882.41	691.97	76,574.38		76,574.38
83-5-512-800	BOH Refuse Garden Lighting	2,796.00	-2,796.00	0.00		0.00
83-5-630-000	Park Playground Construction	5,000.00	-5,000.00	0.00		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		20,000.00	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00
83-5-970-033	Transfer to Fund 33		559,000.00	559,000.00	559,000.00	0.00
Totals:		1,231,277.82	193,800.48	1,425,078.30	613,864.81	811,213.49

Fund: 84

Capital Stabilization Accounts

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Expenditures	Balance
84-5-000-000	Unallocated Capitalization Stabil	480,897.83	187,329.00	10,940.32	679,167.15	679,167.15
84-5-217-001	DPW-Truck	240,000.00		240,000.00	239,617.00	383.00
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	-1,733.62	10,266.38	10,266.38	0.00
84-5-217-005	BOH-Replace Trash Compactor	15,000.00	-992.00	14,008.00	14,008.00	0.00
84-5-630-850	Pelham Lake Man Study 215	10,000.00	-500.00	9,500.00	9,500.00	0.00
Totals:		805,897.83	187,329.00	7,714.70	1,000,941.53	273,391.38

Report Totals: 3,684,474.35 1,270,655.04 1,064,099.15 6,019,228.54 1,593,647.21 4,425,581.33



Summer Adventure Program Fun

TOWN ACCOUNTANT – OTHER FUNDS REVENUE REPORT 2017

as of: 6/30/2017

Fund: 21

Cultural Council

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
21-4-690-005 Cultural Council Interest			71.20	71.20	71.20	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	6,134.35			6,134.35		6,134.35
Totals:	6,134.35	4,400.00	71.20	10,605.55	4,471.20	6,134.35

Fund: 23

Highway Grants

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
23-4-422-000 Chapter 90 Revenue		146,389.00		146,389.00		146,389.00
23-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	372,290.41			372,290.41		372,290.41
Totals:	372,290.41	146,389.00		518,679.41		518,679.41

Fund: 26

Revolving Funds (44 53E1/2)

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
26-4-300-555 School Programs			14,266.81	14,266.81	14,266.81	0.00
26-4-433-001 Recycling Revolving Revenue			1,898.24	1,898.24	1,898.24	0.00
26-4-512-001 BOH Vaccine Purchase			1,603.88	1,603.88	1,603.88	0.00
26-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	10,662.17			10,662.17		10,662.17
Totals:	10,662.17		17,768.93	28,431.10	17,768.93	10,662.17

Fund: 27

Available Funds

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
27-4-999-000 Offset to Free Cash		437,212.00		437,212.00	437,212.00	0.00
Totals:		437,212.00		437,212.00	437,212.00	0.00

Fund: 28

School Grants & Special Funds

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
28-4-300-001 MAPHCO Grant				0.00	479.92	-479.92
28-4-300-002 School Choice			139,232.00	139,232.00	139,232.00	0.00
28-4-300-003 School Lunch			13,902.73	13,902.73	13,902.73	0.00
28-4-300-004 Field Trip/Scholarship			250.00	250.00	250.00	0.00
28-4-300-007 SPED-IDEA Grant 240-303,			10,468.00	10,468.00	10,468.00	0.00
28-4-300-293 DG School Library Grant			708.10	708.10	708.10	0.00
28-4-300-503 REAP			29,462.00	29,462.00	29,462.00	0.00
28-4-300-505 SPED Early Child 8-135				0.00	1,457.00	-1,457.00
28-4-500-298 rSPED 298 FY2017		1,300.00		1,300.00	1,300.00	0.00
28-4-500-504 RCC Cultural Study				0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00
28-4-999-901 Funded by Carryovers	123,645.08			123,645.08		123,645.08
Totals:	123,645.08	1,300.00	194,022.83	318,967.91	198,259.75	120,708.16

Fund: 29

Miscellaneous Special Revenue

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
29-4-220-216 rFFY2016 EMPG		2,199.50		2,199.50		2,199.50

OTHER FUNDS REVENUE REPORT 2017 (Continued)

as of: 6/30/2017

29-4-220-217	2017 AFG-TO Gear	10,512.00		10,512.00	10,512.00	0.00
29-4-422-005	Ins. Recovery-2011 Ford		950.49	950.49	950.49	0.00
29-4-500-002	Council on Aging Grant		1,334.84	1,334.84	1,334.84	0.00
29-4-500-413	DEP Small Scale	499.54		499.54	499.54	0.00
29-4-500-414	Library State Aid		1,972.49	1,972.49	1,972.49	0.00
29-4-560-001	Wetlands Protection		512.50	512.50	512.50	0.00
29-4-580-274	Park Gift Account		50.00	50.00	50.00	0.00
29-4-580-288	rDOER Green Comm. Grant			0.00	38,694.00	-38,694.00
29-4-999-901	Funded by Carryovers	19,178.64		19,178.64		19,178.64
Totals:		19,178.64	13,211.04	4,820.32	37,210.00	54,525.86
						-17,315.86

Fund: 33

Capital Projects

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
33-4-192-002		440,000.00		440,000.00	220,000.00	220,000.00
33-4-970-083			559,000.00	559,000.00	559,000.00	0.00
33-4-999-901	860,000.00			860,000.00		860,000.00
Totals:		860,000.00	440,000.00	559,000.00	1,859,000.00	779,000.00
						1,080,000.00

Fund: 81

NonExpendable Trusts

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
81-4-999-901	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			6.09	6.09	6.09	0.00
82-4-281-001			14.35	14.35	14.35	0.00
82-4-281-002			34.00	34.00	34.00	0.00
82-4-281-003			0.79	0.79	0.79	0.00
82-4-281-004			5.69	5.69	5.69	0.00
82-4-281-005			2.99	2.99	2.99	0.00
82-4-281-006			27.67	27.67	27.67	0.00
82-4-281-007			5.11	5.11	5.11	0.00
82-4-281-008			9.00	9.00	9.00	0.00
82-4-281-009			9.00	9.00	9.00	0.00
82-4-999-901	57,324.35			57,324.35		57,324.35
Totals:		57,324.35	114.69	57,439.04	114.69	57,324.35

Fund: 83

Regular Stabilization

	Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
83-4-919-000			9,287.55	9,287.55	9,287.55	0.00
83-4-919-002			691.97	691.97	691.97	0.00
83-4-919-003			456.96	456.96	456.96	0.00
83-4-970-001			183,364.00	183,364.00	183,364.00	0.00

OTHER FUNDS REVENUE REPORT 2017 (Continued)

as of: 6/30/2017

83-4-999-901	Funded by Carryovers	#####		1,231,277.82		1,231,277.82	
	Totals:	1,231,277.82	193,800.48	1,425,078.30	193,800.48	1,231,277.82	
Fund: 84							
<u>Capital Stabilization Accounts</u>		Carryover	Original Budget	Budget Revisions	Total Budget	Revenues	Balance
84-4-919-001	Capital Stabilization Interest			7,714.70	7,714.70	7,714.70	0.00
84-4-970-001	Transfers from General Fund		187,329.00		187,329.00	187,329.00	0.00
84-4-999-901	Funded by Carryovers	805,897.83			805,897.83		805,897.83
	Totals:	805,897.83	187,329.00	7,714.70	1,000,941.53	195,043.70	805,897.83
Report Totals:		3,499,068.24	1,229,841.04	977,313.15	5,706,222.43	1,880,196.61	3,826,025.82



Highway Superintendent Lance Larned with new DPW generator

TREASURER REPORT 2017

General Fund Cash	\$1,678,921.16
School Agency Account	\$6,046.68
Arts Lottery	\$9,846.11
Trust Funds	\$70,085.11
Stabilization Accounts	\$1,919,355.30
Total All Cash 6/30/2017	\$3,684,254.36

Trust Funds FY2017

Name of Fund	Balance 6/30/2017
M. Wells Memorial Library	\$8,772.07
Cemetery	\$20,723.05
Rowe Library Gift	\$483.88
Charles Wells Library	\$3,482.67
Preserved Smith Library	\$1,833.58
Gould Library	\$16,905.05
Foster Donation	\$3,119.87
White Memorial Library	\$5,499.79
L. Tower/Jones Library	\$5,499.79
Rowe Memorial Scholarship	\$3,734.79
TOTALS	\$70,054.54

Stabilization Funds FY2017

General Stabilization	\$1,064,749.63
Capital Stabilization	\$727,573.51
Town Hall Complex Stabilization	\$50,531.96
Road Reclamation Stabilization	\$76,500.30

Balance as of June 30, 2017	\$ 1,989,409.94
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Respectfully submitted,
Joanne Semanie



Rowe Highway Dept.

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HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT 2017

The Rowe Highway Department every year we do 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 to run off roadside/clean up under guard rails.
- Street sweeping/Pot hole repair
- Grade dirt roads/adding gravel to dirt roads
- Waterway cleaning/basin cleaning
- Roadside moving
- Brush clearing
- Tree maintenance
- Upkeep of the Town Common and traffic islands/Transfer station lawn.

This year was a warm summer once again. There is a new truck added to the fleet. There were new door seals installed on the garage doors and a new Generator for the DPW. The School was needing help with lawn mowing during the summer months. Old home day set up went as summer rolled on with help from the park dept. Thank you all.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Lance P. Larned
DPW Superintendent

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT – SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM 2017

The “Grasshopper” program, under the direction of Summer Youth Employee (SYE) Supervisor Abby Lively and Assistant Josh Paige 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/ Kurt Shippee, Jocelyn Crowningshield, Gwyn Clark, Grace Poplawski, David Hobbs.

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 and as they try to keep up with road side trash clean up. They are very conscientious. Super Great job everyone!

Respectfully submitted,
Lance P. Larned
DPW Superintendent

TREE WARDEN 2017

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.

This year there were two hearings for the Parks Dept. and the Davis Mine Rd. The Park has trees to remove at the dam and Percy's point at the pond. The trees on Davis Mine are most trim a few cut for the broadband project.

Respectfully submitted
Lance P. Larned
DPW Superintendent



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John Manago Leads 3rd & 4th Graders Visit to the Museum

The Rowe Council on Aging would like to acknowledge the passing of our seniors, Norma Brown and Charlie Stetson. They will be truly missed but not forgotten.

The Rowe Council on Aging is hoping that our seniors had as much fun as we did in 2017. 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 EOE (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 Recreational Center is the center of senior get-togethers, featuring a monthly Birthday Cake in celebration of our seniors. 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.

This year we revisited some of the more popular events: In January, a variety of delicious homemade soups were provided by our 7 member committee.

In March, we visited the Crazy Horse Grill at Berkshire East where lunch was served and we were entertained by the very talented ED THE WIZARD who was sponsored by the Rowe Cultural Council.

In April, we started out with a luncheon at Bertucci's in Amherst followed by a very interesting tour through the Beneski's museum.

In May we had two events lunch at the Bennington Depot Restaurant then on to a very interesting visit to "The Covered Bridge Museum" Our 1st barbeque was held in May followed by another BBQ in September with Bob Dykeman as our Chef.

The COA Committee also featured an ice cream social with all the fixings in August.

In September, we were invited to the Pine Hill Orchard by the Friends of Franklin County and the Colrain Senior Center. The seniors were taken by a tractor ride up to the orchard where we were able to pick a peck of apples. We also enjoyed a delicious lunch at the Pine Hill Orchard restaurant.

In October we had a pie social with delicious homemade pies provided by Rachel Gammell. This is still a definite must for Fall. Selectman Jenn Morse met for a general discussion. Thank you for your interest and concern for our seniors.

In November, we had a Pizza Party and we also had a presentation by Scott Simundza covering information about Medicare Fraud.

This brings us to the last month of activities for our seniors. On December 8th we went out to Williamsburg for a Christmas luncheon at the Brewmaster Tavern and enjoyed a wonderful meal. On December 15th we had a Christmas Party at the Gracy House where we had a homemade festive cookies made by our committee along with a variety of appetizers. Again, this year, we were pleased to have our friend and neighbor Helen Shields to lead in some of our favorite Christmas Carols. Thank you Helen for doing this for us.

We would like to thank Christine Tower and her daughter Nancy Hickox for donating Bingo sheets and dabbers.

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



Park Ranger Sean Loomis Prepares Lunch



Senior Picnic at the Park

CULTURAL COUNCIL 2017

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.

2017 Grant Recipients were as follows:

Ashfield Community Theater	Arts	Ashfield Community Theater's spring play	\$169
Bill Knittle	Arts	Rowe School Cultural Study	\$2,000
Bill Knittle	Arts	A Passion for Birds	\$400
Charlemont Forum	Humanities	Charlemont Forum 2017	\$200
Cope, Ed the Wizard	Arts	Magic for Seniors	\$450
Double Edge Theatre	Arts	The Hilltown Spectacle	\$200
Heath Agricultural Society, Inc. (HAS)	Arts	Heath Fair Music (HFM)	\$200
Hilltown Families	Humanities	Hilltown Families Suggest	\$140
Maichack, Mary Jo	Arts	The House That Jack Built	\$455
Memorial Hall Association	Arts	Footlights at the Falls Presents "Rumors"	\$200
Mohawk Trail Concerts Inc	Arts	2017 Summer Festival	\$200
Piti Theatre Company	Arts	Just This: a performance and workshops	\$200
Poplawski, Gary	Arts	2017 Summer Concert at Pelham Lake	\$400
Pothole Pictures	Arts	Pothole Pictures Film Series	\$400
Root, John	Science	Trees for Every Purpose	\$450
Rowe Historical Society Inc	Arts	Holiday Concert	\$375
The Art Garden	Arts	Community Exhibits at The Art Garden	\$250
The Art Garden	Arts	Hilltown Draw-Around	\$100
The Collected Poets Series	Arts	The Collected Poets Series 2017 Season	\$150
The FCTS Drama Club	Arts	The FCTS Spring Play	\$275

We would like to acknowledge outgoing members Joanne Brown, Anne Besgen, for their contributions and many years of service. We welcome new Members Susan Gleason and Karen Soviecke.
Respectfully submitted,

B.J. Roche, Chair
Susan Gleason
Laurie Pike
Paulette Roccio
Karen Soviecke

LIBRARY TRUSTEES 2017

2017 was another great year for the library. We had many fun programs and events for adults and children. The children's room is looking much brighter with new large glass windows, the building got a new coat of crisp, white paint and we continued to increase our great collection of items.

The Library held many programs throughout the year. February was a pizza party and craft night for families, attended by 10 people. In March, resident and local author, Jim Carse, discussed his new mystery novel with 6 patrons. Mara Silver gave a very interesting presentation on the conservation of swallows in april with 16 people in attendance. Eight kids in 5th and 6th grade attended our babysitters course. 4H of western Massachusetts helped organize it. Our summer reading program kicked off with 25 kids and adults at an ice cream party. 7 patrons learned how to fly fish in July with the Deerfield Fly Shop. We had a fun holiday season with Jodi Brown and local kids decorating the library for the holidays as well as decorating cookies, making snowflakes and decorating gingerbread houses. With many other programs held it was a busy year at the library.

The summer reading program, sponsored by the Massachusetts Library System and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, had 22 registered young readers and 9 adult readers. Mary Jo Maichack entertained a small group during the summer with her fun storytelling. Crafts were held every week at the library as well as reading and crafts for the campers at Pelham Lake with Tara. Harmony Kuhl held a fairy house making program as the reading program finale. Raffle prizes were drawn and everyone left with a prize.

The Rowe School 3rd and 4th grade classroom volunteered their time during the spring to clean up the flower beds in front of the library. In the fall, resident, Rachel Holbrook did a beautiful job cleaning up all the flower gardens and putting them to 'bed' for the winter.

In the fall new windows were installed in the gable end of the library to replace the old windows with broken seals. R.G. Penfield & Sons did the work and turned out beautifully. With the windows installed the rest of the library got a little facelift with a fresh coat of white paint. Prep work and painting was all done by the Franklin County Sheriff's Department.

We continue to discard worn and outdated items to make room for new materials with our limited shelf space. We hold a collection of 12,016 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 Springfield Quad Museum, 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
Rebecca Bradley
Karen Soviecke



Library Fun



Summer Reading Program



OLD HOME DAY 2017

The Event

The 2017 Rowe Old Home Day event was held on Saturday, July 15th. Other than a few small changes, the format and activities of the day remained largely unchanged from previous years.

The parade began at 11:00 from the Browning Bench Tool Factory to the Rowe School. This year's theme was "Rowe Through The Ages", and featured Sarah Paige singing the national anthem and Wayne Zavotka serving as announcer. A horse-drawn carriage lead the parade, followed by State Representative Paul Mark, who was driven by Marilyn Wilson. They were followed by several tractors and a whole fleet of emergency response vehicles from the region.

The craft vendor fair, organized by Robin Reed, returned with great success- half of the school was filled to the brim with various crafts and goodies! The Franklin Regional Dog Shelter raffle, hosted by Loretta Dionne, was also a success and helped to raise money for the regional dog shelter. The Friends of the

Charlemont Fairgrounds group took on the role of preparing food for the day from the Fire Association and was well received by the community.

The Historical Society took advantage of the day to have a “grand opening” for their Browning Bench Tool Factory exhibit. The Historical Society entered into an agreement with the Park to utilize the building to display exhibits, bringing life back to the historic building.

As always, Don Sherman offered tractor rides from the lake to the Browning Bench, and back up to the school. The Community Church had its outreach booth manned, as well as their famous strawberry shortcake booth. Another round of bingo was held with Nancy Hickox, and the Southern Vermont Museum returned from last year to do another animal show.

In the evening, local bands “The Grey Whisker Pickers” and “Small Change” each played down at the lake for the enjoyment of all. Finally, the day ended with a wonderful fireworks display over the lake that received a roaring round of applause and cheering when complete.

A wonderful time was had by all, and thank you to all that attended and helped to make the day go smoothly.

The Committee

The Committee this year was made up of Co-Chairs Robin Reed and Loretta Dionne, Secretary Cathy Snyder, and Treasurer Paul McLatchy III. A special “thank you” to Cathy for producing detailed minutes of all the meetings, especially when conversation can jump from one subject to another so quickly.

The budget for Old Home Day was drastically cut from the previous year, and led to some very close planning for finances. Due to most of the expenses happening just as the fiscal year is changing over, the committee recommended that all future appropriations for the event (but not the fireworks) be made to the revolving fund, to avoid getting caught up in the rollover from one year to the next.

After the event, the Committee recommended a warrant article for the next town meeting asking individuals what they wanted to see for future Old Home Days. In it were three options:

To continue as we have in years past- with an annual daily celebration and fireworks at night.

To “roll over” funds for the daytime events for several years, and only do fireworks each year, with daytime events held every other year or every few years.

“Roll over” all funds for both daytime events AND fireworks for several years, and have one large event every few years, but nothing in between.

Due to the low turnout at the special town meetings, the article was not added to the next town meeting warrant. Fireworks were reserved for 2018, with some plans for evening events. It is unknown what the future will hold for Old Home Day, especially with dwindling volunteers.

Respectfully Submitted on Behalf of the Old Home Day Committee,
Paul McLatchy III, Treasurer

PARK COMMISSION 2017

Every season offers something unique at the park. We love summer at the beach; Old Home Day, children involved in activities, evening walks around the lake, a leisurely spin on the Percy Brown, Mt Biking. But, don't miss a stunning walk on the Dead Moose Trail to a beautiful view looking back on the lake, catching that big lunger in the lake, a brisk hike up Adams Mountain in the spring, cross country skiing/snow shoeing on the trails followed by a skate on the pond or zooming through the park on a snowmobile.

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 shelter building. A performance by Chris Poulos, bicycle stuntman and motivational speaker. The staff for this program included: Beth Flaherty (Program Director), Sara Paige (Program Asst.), Gianna Paige and Nathan Paige, Danielle Beaumier (Program Workers).
- Two weeks of SWIM LESSONS run by Zoe Neeley and assisted by Erin Laffond and Isaac Paige. 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 Erin Laffond and Madison Baker. Activities included brook fishing on Shippee Brook, hike to the summit of the tallest mountain in Massachusetts (Mt Greylock) a raft trip down the Deerfield River with Zoar Outdoor, Rock climbing at Central Rock Climbing Gym and Game day with an outdoor movie.
- Three Senior Picnics hosted by park staff.
- The annual Town Easter Egg Hunt was held at the park on the Saturday of Easter weekend.

The 2017 SUMMER PARK STAFF included: Madison Baker (AR Class 1), John Demech (AR Class 2), Emma Poplawski and Erin Laffond (AR Class 3), Taylor Loomis and Nick Baker (AR Class 4), Erin Laffond, Isaac Paige and Danielle Beaumier (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. New to the Fitness Center this year was an upright exercise bike, squat rack with bumper plates, and a concept 2 rowing machine. Would like to thank Chuck Sokol (Town Resident and Selectmen) for donating dumbbells and a weight bench to the fitness center.

PARK MAINTENANCE PROJECTS:

- New bridges on the Beach trail
- New water bars on Davenport trail, Todd Mt trail, 1792 trail
- .25 mile reroute on the Dead Moose trail
- Osprey pole at the riding ring
- New Bicycle rack
- New stone fireplace with a steel insert located to the right of the beach
- Maintenance of an Ice Skating rink on the lake
- Grooming the x-country ski trails

- General Maintenance on all the trails (weedwack, pruning, stump removal, leaf removal, drainage clean up, debris removal)
- New cedar trail signs
- New handrail leading to the bathrooms (donated by Arthur Grodd)
- New entrance floor for the bathrooms
- New horseshoe pits

The Park also purchased 2 new kayaks, new buoy system for the swim area and 4 pedestal park grills (located around the beach).

Respectfully submitted,

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



Summer Nature Recreation and Adventure Programs



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FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT 2017

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 2017 shows an increase in the amount of recycling tonnage compared to 2016. District residents recycled almost 1,800 tons of paper and 1,200 tons of mixed containers, which were processed at the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility.

In 2017, 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 56 tons of material were recycled or disposed of from the two collections. A total of 576 households participated in these collection events.

We held our annual household hazardous waste collection in September 2017. This event allows residents to properly dispose of toxic cleaners, automotive products, pesticides, and other toxic products. A total of 360 households participated in this event. 52% of participants were using the collection for the first time.

We applied for and received grants from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection worth \$84,400 for District towns. Some grant funding is a result of a town’s successful waste management infrastructure. Other grants include equipment to make town transfer stations 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*
Chris Boutwell, Montague - *Vice-Chair*

Jonathan Lagreze, Colrain - *Chair*
MA Swedlund, Deerfield- *Treasurer*

FRCOG Services to Rowe – 2017

The Franklin Regional Council of Governments provides a variety of services, programming, and advocacy to the municipalities of Franklin County and to the greater Franklin County region. Our Planning Department assists with local planning issues, such as zoning and local hazard mitigation planning, and also works on larger regional projects. Our municipal service programs — Collective Purchasing, Cooperative Public Health, Cooperative Inspection, and Town Accounting — are available to any municipality that needs them. Partnership for Youth continues to provide substance use and chronic disease prevention. And our Regional Preparedness and Homeland Security Programs provide a variety of aid and assistance to our first responders and health emergency officials. The *FRCOG's 2017 Annual Report*, available in April of 2018 and on www.frcog.org shortly thereafter, will highlight our work over the past year. Specific services to the Town of Rowe in 2017 are listed below.

Collective Bidding & Purchasing Program

- Rowe contracted with the FRCOG to receive collective bid pricing for up to 24 different Highway Products and Services. Total estimated highway needs for FY18 is \$107,660.
- 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.
- Rowe participates in the Fire Alarm Testing and Maintenance program.
- The Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) issued a bid for Library Window Replacement.
- The CPO issued bids for a Highway Truck and Truck Body Equipment.
- The CPO issued a bid for a Heating System for the Fire Station.
- The CPO issued a bid for a Standby Generator System for the Town Hall.

Cooperative Public Health Service Health District

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

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Franklin County Cooperative Inspection Program

- Staff issued 21 building permits, 11 electrical permits & 7 plumbing/gas permits for Rowe in 2017. Eleven (11) 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 156 Mohawk students, representing 72% 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.

Planning and Development Department

- Staff provided 1 new, free bike rack for the Rowe Town Park through the regional Bicycle Parking Program coordinated by the FRCOG.
- Staff conducted a traffic count on Leshure Road as part of the regional Traffic Counting Program.
- Staff pursued State Legislation to create a Special Designation for the Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership region covering 11 West County towns, including Rowe, to bring additional financial and technical resources to support Natural Resource Based Economic Development, Forest Conservation & Municipal Financial Sustainability.

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Regional Preparedness Program

- Staff provided technical assistance and facilitation to Charlemont, Hawley, Heath, and Rowe Selectboard members and police chiefs who met to discuss the possibility of sharing police services.

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.

Municipal Official Continuing Education Series

- Public Records Law Update — 1
Short Term Rentals from A to Z: Building Code, Health Code, and Zoning — 1

Emergency Preparedness & Response

Family Reunification — 2

Cooperative Public Health Service

Food Safety Certification — 2

Partnership for Youth

Social Justice: Health Equity & Race — 1 from Mohawk Trail Regional School District

FRANKLIN REGIONAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM 2016

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Annual Report for the Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2016

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 2016	CY 2015	CY 2014
<u>Balances</u>			
Cash	927,926	1,027,504	1,370,581
Investments	124,166,637	115,356,788	118,166,255
Receivables	333,708	448,896	523,687
Payables	1,622,175	1,376,958	81,595
Annuity Savings (members)	28,830,926	28,029,622	26,866,304
Retirement Reserves	98,219,520	90,180,524	93,275,814
<u>Revenues</u>			
Member's contributions	3,671,628	3,513,770	3,270,926
Towns, Schools, Agencies	5,875,582	5,645,116	5,418,158
Retirement Cost Sharing	460,054	472,213	466,031
Miscellaneous Revenue	9,928	20,122	19,414
Investment Income (net)	10,744,197	1,259,131	9,063,675
<u>Expenses</u>			
Retirement Benefits	9,113,301	8,432,951	7,980,270
Operating Expenses	498,301	469,365	403,803
Investment Expenses	703,498	687,629	720,626
Retirement Cost Sharing	1,289,229	2,884,282	3,028,026
Refunds to Members	316,759	368,098	372,232
<u>Investment Performance</u>			
Target	7.75%	7.75%	7.75%
Since 1984	8.36%	8.34%	8.59%
10 years	6.17%	6.57%	7.25%
5 years	10.20%	8.49%	11.39%
Current Year	9.16%	1.11%	8.42%
<u>Demographics</u>			
	01/01/2016	01/01/2014	01/01/2012
Members' Average Age	48.30	48.30	49.00
Members' Average Service	10.50	10.50	10.90
Members' Average Salary	35,966.00	33,249.00	32,333.00
Retirees' Average Age	72.30	72.10	72.10
Retirees' Average Pension	15,274.00	14,164.00	12,931.00
Disabled Members' Average Age	58.00	56.40	n/a
Disabled Members' Average Pension	26,353.00	26,052.00	n/a

Dale Kowacki
Executive Director
Franklin Regional Retirement System

VETERANS SERVICES DISTRICT 2017

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UPPER PIONEER VALLEY VETERANS' SERVICES DISTRICT

Veteran Resource and Referral Center located in Greenfield, satellite locations throughout the district

We ended the year by being named “Veterans’ Services District of the Year” by the state. Our district has now been in operation for 2 ½ years. We are 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
- 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 outpaced CY16 bringing in close to \$423,000.00 in new claim money for our clients. Overall the district has over \$1,923,000.00 in VA awards flowing into our towns on a monthly basis.

We forecast the Ch115 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, and will emphasize programs for the dependents of veterans, particularly the elderly population. Our major projects for the future involve veterans’ gravesites locations and conditions, and training 1st responders on veterans’ issues and resources.

Timothy Niejadlik, Director
Upper Pioneer Valley Veterans’ Services District

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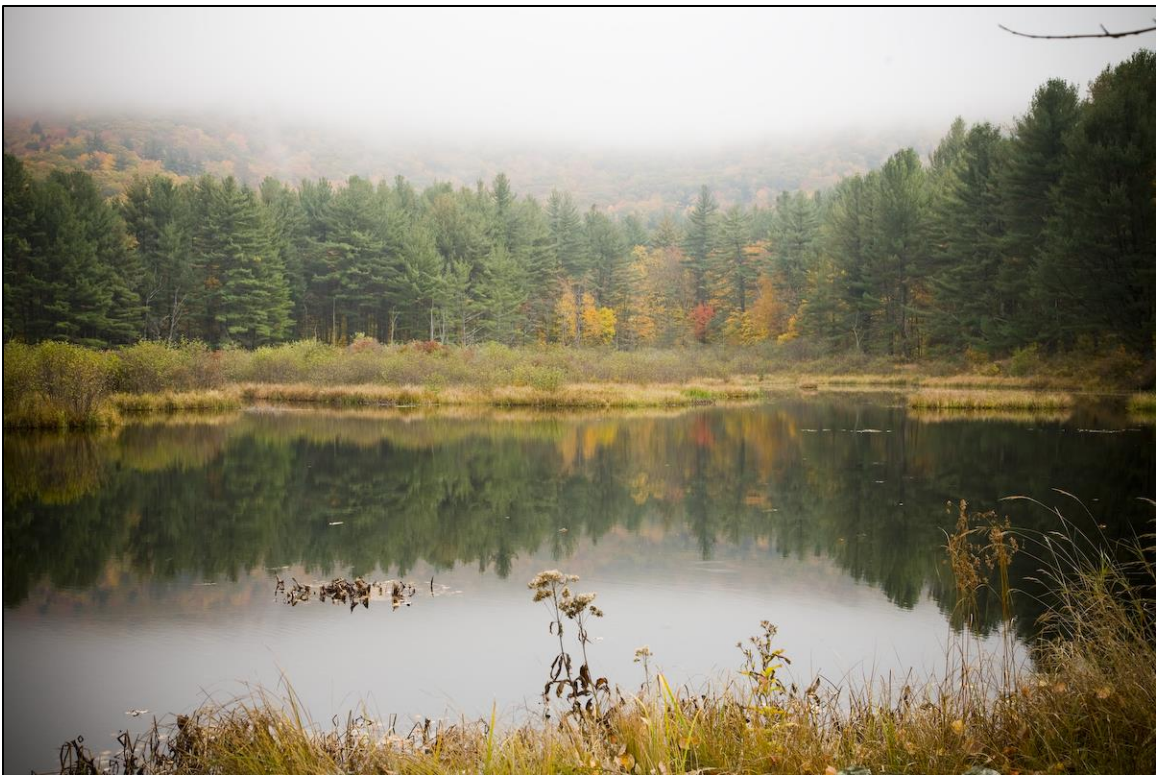
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Leyden Monroe Montague New Salem Northfield Plainfield Rowe Shelburne Shutesbury Sunderland Warwick Wendell
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Rowe Elementary School – Bird's Eye View

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TOWN OF ROWE - GENERAL INFORMATION

Town of Rowe

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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:	383 (Town census)
Total Area:	24.07 Square Miles
Land Area:	23.55 Square Miles
Public Roads:	36.32 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 2017 Tax Rates and Assessed Valuations:

CLASS	TAX RATE	VALUATION	LEVY	% OF TOTAL
Residential	\$ 6.86 per thousand	\$ 52,624,773.00	\$ 361,005.94	9.5965%
Commercial	14.73 per thousand	461,003.00	6,790.57	0.1804%
Industrial	14.73 per thousand	114,531,927.00	1,687,055.28	44.8261 %
Personal Property	14.73 per thousand	115,990,531.00	1,708,540.52	45.3970 %
Total		\$ 283,608,234.00	\$3,763,392.31	100.00 %



ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OFFICIAL RESULTS – May 8, 2017

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING – FY2018
Town of Rowe
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
Monday May 8, 2017

Town Clerk: Jennifer A. Morse
Moderator: Robert Clancy
Constable: Robert Dykeman
Town Counsel: Donna MacNicol
Tellers: Sandra Daviau, Rebecca Richardson, Joanne Semanie, Katherine Sprague

The Annual Town Meeting was held on Monday May 8, 2017 at the Rowe Elementary School, 86 Pond Road. The Annual Town meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Moderator Clancy. There was approximately sixty-six (66) registered voters and thirteen (13) audience members present at the beginning of the meeting.

Moderator Clancy asked for a moment of silence for Rowe Residents who have passed in 2016/2017; Dorothy Kalas, Richard Alix, Barbara Grogan, Ian Vernes, Lillian Norma Brown.

Moderator Clancy swore the following registered voters in as tellers for the meeting; Sandy Daviau, Becky Richardson, Joanne Semanie and Katherine Sprague.

Moderator Clancy turned to the Board of Selectmen for comments. Chair Marilyn Wilson stated that the budget was difficult with more than a \$200,000 deficit, cuts were made and welcomed resident participation in the budget process at meetings.

Moderator Clancy turned to the Board of Assessors for an estimated tax rate impact if all articles passed at the meeting. Board of Assessors member Ellen Miller shared that the estimated tax rate will be \$6.36 Residential and \$14.05 for Commercial, Industrial and Personal Property.

After the reading of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant Greeting Moderator Clancy opened the meeting for articles.

A motion was made and seconded to take Article 31 out of order. Motion Passed by Show of Hands

ARTICLE 31: : A motion was made and seconded vote to accept the addition of the Town of Rowe as a 7-12 member of the District effective July 1, 2018 by making the following amendments to the Mohawk Trail Regional Agreement as printed. Changing Section B, Second Paragraph At the 2018 annual town election...instead of 2017 annual town election.

(note: the amendments below are to be effective July 1, 2018):

Strike the following language in the Preamble:

The agreement entered into pursuant to Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as amended, and as supplemented by Chapter 371 of the Acts of 1993, among the Towns of Ashfield, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Hawley, Heath, Plainfield, and Shelburne, hereinafter sometimes referred to as member towns, is hereby further amended in its entirety to read as hereinafter set forth.

And replace said language with the following:

The Agreement entered into pursuant to Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as amended, and as supplemented by Chapter 371 of the Acts of 1993, among the Towns of Ashfield, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Hawley, Heath, Plainfield, Shelburne, and Rowe (hereinafter sometimes referred to as member towns, is hereby further amended in its entirety to read as hereinafter set forth.

Strike the following language in Section I(A):

The powers and duties of the regional school district shall be vested in and exercised by a regional district school committee, hereafter sometimes referred to as the Committee. The Committee shall consist of sixteen (16) elected members, two (2) from each town. A member appointed by the Rowe School Committee would serve as a non-voting member of the Committee as described in Section IX (G) of this Agreement. Members shall serve until their respective successor members are elected and qualified.

And replace said language with the following:

The powers and duties of the regional school district shall be vested in and exercised by a regional district school committee, hereafter sometimes referred to as the Committee. The Committee shall consist of eighteen (18) elected members, two (2) from each town. Members shall serve until their respective successor members are elected and qualified.

Strike the following language in Section I(B):

At the annual town elections in 1994, in addition to any term of office of an elected member whose term is expired, the following shall also be elected: the Town of Hawley shall elect one member for a three-year term, and one member for two-year term; the Town of Heath shall elect one member for a three-year term and one member for a one-year term; the Town of Plainfield shall elect one member for a two-year term and one member for a one-year term.

2004 Election Year – Terms of all currently elected committee members with the exception of Heath, Hawley and Plainfield, will expire as of the annual town elections in 2004. At the 2004 annual town elections two school committee members will be elected from the Towns of Ashfield, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, and Shelburne. The school committee member who receives the largest number of votes from his/her town will serve a term of three years. The school committee member who receives the second largest number of votes will serve a term of two years. Thereafter, in every year in which the term of office of an elected member expires, each member town involved shall, at its annual town election, select one member to serve on the Committee for a term of three years.

And replace said language with the following: In every year in which the term of office of an elected member expires, each member town involved shall, at its annual town election, select one member to serve on the Committee for a term of three years.

At the ~~2017~~ 2018 annual town elections in the Town of Rowe, two school committee members will be elected. The school committee member who receives the largest number of votes will serve a term of three years, and the school committee member who receives the second largest number of votes will serve a term of two years. Upon the expiration of the initial term of office, each member shall serve on the Committee for a term of three years as stated above.

Each elected member commencing with the organization of the Committee following the 2004 town elections, shall have a weighted vote to be determined by the member town's population as it relates to the total population of all member towns divided by the number of representatives to the Committee from said member town. Each weighted vote shall be determined to the nearest one-tenth and be adjusted every ten (10) years using the population figures as reported in the most recent federal decennial census.

Strike the following language in Section I(F):

The District shall have one Committee composed of representatives from each member town as set forth above. Members of the Committee from the Towns of Hawley and Charlemont will not vote on any

matters that the Committee determines to concern the operation of grades kindergarten through six, exclusively.

And replace said language with the following:

The District shall have one Committee composed of representatives from each member town as set forth above. Members of the Committee from the Towns of Hawley, Charlemont, and Rowe will not vote on any matters that the Committee determines to concern the operation of grades kindergarten through six, exclusively.

Strike the following language in Section I(G):

The initial weighted votes of the Committee members established in 1994 from each member town are as follows:

<u>Member Towns</u>	<u>Number of Members</u>	<u>Weighted Vote of each Member</u>
Ashfield	3	5.6%
Buckland	3	6.3%
Charlemont	3	4.1%
Colrain	3	5.7%
Hawley	2	1.5%
Heath	2	3.5%
Plainfield	2	2.8%
Shelburne	3	6.5%

The weighted votes of the Committee have been adjusted using the population figures as reported in the most recent federal decennial census and are as follows:

<u>Member Towns</u>	<u>Number of Members</u>	<u>Weighted vote of each Member</u>
Ashfield	3	5.7%
Buckland	3	6.3%
Charlemont	3	4.3%
Colrain	3	5.7%
Hawley	2	1.5%
Heath	2	3.5%
Plainfield	2	2.5%
Shelburne	3	6.3%

The above weighted votes of the Committee members shall remain in effect until the new school committee of sixteen (16) members is reconstituted after the 2004 town election for school committee members consistent with Section I, Paragraphs A and B of the District Agreement. After the reconstitution of the committee in 2004 the weighted votes of the Committee members from each town shall be as follows:

<u>Member Towns</u>	<u>Number of Members</u>	<u>Weighted vote of each Member</u>
Ashfield	2	8.5%
Buckland	2	9.5%
Charlemont	2	6.5%
Colrain	2	8.5%
Hawley	2	1.5%
Heath	2	3.5%

Plainfield	2	2.5%
Shelburne	2	9.5%

And replace said language with the following:

The weighted votes of the Committee members from each town shall be as follows:

Member Towns	Number of Members	Weighted vote of each Member
Ashfield	2	8.5%
Buckland	2	9.4%
Charlemont	2	6.2%
Colrain	2	8.2%
Hawley	2	1.7%
Heath	2	3.5%
Plainfield	2	3.2%
Shelburne	2	9.3%

The above weighted votes of the Committee members shall remain in effect until the new school committee of eighteen (18) members is reconstituted after the Town of Rowe becomes a 7-12 member of the District. After the reconstitution of the Committee, the weighted votes of the Committee members from each town shall be as follows until the next federal decennial census as provided above.

Member Towns	Number of Members	Weighted vote of each Member
Ashfield	2	8.2%
Buckland	2	9.0%
Charlemont	2	6.0%
Colrain	2	7.9%
Hawley	2	1.6%
Heath	2	3.3%
Plainfield	2	3.1%
Rowe	2	1.9%
Shelburne	2	9.0%

Strike the following language in Section III(A):

Residents of the member towns and all residents of the Town of Rowe in grades seven through twelve will be eligible to attend school at the Mohawk Trail Regional High School, located on Route 112 in Buckland, Massachusetts.

And replace said language with the following:

Residents of the member towns will be eligible to attend school at the Mohawk Trail Regional High School, located on Route 112 in Buckland, Massachusetts.

Strike the following language in Section III(F):

The Committee shall accept for enrollment in the District High School, pupils from the Town of Rowe on a tuition basis and upon such terms as are set forth in Section IX of this Agreement. The Committee may accept for enrollment in the regional district schools pupils from towns other than the member towns and the Town of Rowe on a tuition basis and upon such terms as it may determine. In either case, income received by the District from tuition pupils shall be deducted from the total operating costs in the next annual budget to be prepared after the receipt thereof, prior to apportionment under Section IV of this Agreement to the member towns.

And replace said language with the following:

The Committee may accept for enrollment in the regional district schools pupils from towns on a tuition basis and upon such terms as it may determine. In either case, income received by the District from tuition pupils shall be deducted from the total operating costs in the next annual budget to be prepared after the receipt thereof, prior to apportionment under Section IV of this Agreement to the member towns.

Strike the following language in Section IV(H):

Third: The Committee shall apportion costs of grades seven through twelve, inclusive, to the Towns of Hawley and Charlemont in direct proportion to each town's five-year average share of student enrollment in grades seven through twelve, inclusive.

Fourth: The total budget, less the shares allocated to the Towns of Hawley and Charlemont, shall be apportioned among the district's six remaining member towns on the basis of each member town's five-year average student enrollment share. For purposes of this calculation, average enrollment share, for each of the K-12 Member Towns shall be based on its five year average proportionate share of total student enrollment in the district schools.

And replace said language with the following:

Third: The Committee shall apportion costs of grades seven through twelve, inclusive, to the Towns of Hawley, Charlemont, and Rowe in direct proportion to each town's five-year average share of student enrollment in grades seven through twelve, inclusive.

Fourth: The total budget, less the shares allocated to the Towns of Hawley, Charlemont, and Rowe shall be apportioned among the district's six remaining member towns on the basis of each member town's five-year average student enrollment share. For purposes of this calculation, average enrollment share, for each of the K-12 Member Towns shall be based on its five year average proportionate share of total student enrollment in the district schools (note: pre-K enrollment will be included in the calculation beginning in FY18 and will include the data from October 1, 2015 and October 1, 2016).

Strike the following language in Section VI(C):

For purposes of voting on the annual budget by the member towns, the approval of the District's annual budget by the town meetings of each K-12 Member Town shall constitute two "units" towards approval or disapproval of the annual district budget, while Hawley and Charlemont shall have one "unit" each, with a total of ten units needed to approve the annual budget.

And replace said language with the following:

(D) Vote on the Annual Budget

For purposes of voting on the annual budget by the member towns, the approval of the District's annual budget by the town meetings of each K-12 Member Town shall constitute two "units" towards approval or disapproval of the annual district budget, while 7-12 member towns shall have one "unit" each, with a total of ten units needed to approve the annual budget.

Strike the entirety of Section IX as follows, and renumber the remaining Sections:

SECTION IX
EDUCATION OF PUPILS FROM THE TOWN OF ROWE

(A) Special Education Pupils from the Town of Rowe

The Committee shall provide for the education of all pupils from the Town of Rowe in grades seven through twelve who are entitled to attend the District High School irrespective of the specific and particular educational needs of any pupil from said Town of Rowe, and irrespective of whether such education for any pupil from said Town of Rowe is provided at the District High School or at any other school as may be approved by said Committee.

(B) Transportation of Pupils from the Town of Rowe

The Committee shall provide for the transportation of pupils from the Town of Rowe who are entitled to attend the District High School, to and from said District High School to the extent that such transportation is provided for pupils from member towns who are entitled to attend said District High School. The Committee shall provide for the transportation of pupils from the Town of Rowe who are entitled to attend the District High School, to and from any other school as may be approved by said Committee to the extent that such transportation is provided for pupils from member towns who are entitled to attend said District High School, to and from any other school as may be approved by said Committee.

The Town of Rowe shall bear the cost of transportation for elementary pupils attending the Rowe elementary school.

(C) Tuition Basis for Pupils Grades 7-12 from the Town of Rowe

The cost of tuition to the District High School for each pupil in grades seven through twelve who attends the District High School or any other school as may be approved by the Committee, and who resides in the Town of Rowe shall be paid by said Town of Rowe to the District during the fiscal year when each such pupil is actually in attendance. The basis of the cost of tuition to the District High School or any other school as may be approved by said Committee for each fiscal year shall be established as follows: The total Maintenance and Operating Budget for said District High School as defined in Subsection VI(D) of this Agreement, for that fiscal year, reduced by the anticipated amounts of receipts from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to be used by the Committee to defray such budgeted maintenance and operating charges for that fiscal year, and further reduced by the anticipated amounts of surplus revenue from the District treasury to be used by the Committee to defray such budgeted maintenance and operating charges for that fiscal year, and further reduced by the amounts received from towns paying tuition to the district, consistent with the terms of Subsection III(F) of this Agreement; the balance (viz. the net operating and maintenance budget for said fiscal year) to be divided by the total enrollment of pupils in the District High School from member towns as of October 1 of the previous fiscal year and the resulting balance further divided by one and one-tenth (1.1); the final balance to equal the cost of tuition for one pupil for one complete school year.

(D) Reduction of the Cost of Tuition for Pupils Resident in the Town of Rowe

In the event the Committee reduces the net operating and maintenance costs assessed to the member towns for any fiscal year, by reduction of the Operating and Maintenance Budget for said fiscal year or by the application of additional amounts of revenue, irrespective of the source thereof, to reduce the net operating and maintenance costs assessed to said member towns for that fiscal year, the cost of tuition to the Town of Rowe for the education of its pupils during said fiscal year shall be likewise reduced in accordance with the provisions of Subsection IX(D).

(E) Schedule of Payment of Tuition Costs by the Town of Rowe

The Town of Rowe shall pay for the tuition of its pupils to the District High School, or any other school as may be approved by the Committee, such amounts as are in accordance with the provisions of Subsection IX (D), and shall make such payments twice each fiscal year at the following time: 1) not later than January 31 of each fiscal year; 2) not later than June 30 of each fiscal year.

(F) Payment of Capital Costs by the Town of Rowe

The Town of Rowe shall have the opportunity to pay a portion of capital costs as defined in Subsection IV (B) for capital projects at District High School. The Committee shall negotiate the rate of a voluntary contribution with the Rowe School Committee at the time of each capital project.

(G) Representation on the Committee

The School Committee of the Town of Rowe may appoint one of its members to represent the Town of Rowe at meetings of the Committee. The Committee shall allow such representative all powers of discussion, debate and deliberation including, but not limited to, participation in such meetings of the Committee while in executive session, but such representative shall not have the power to vote on any matter which comes before the Committee.

(H) Administrative Support Services for Rowe Pupils Grade K-6

The Town of Rowe shall have the opportunity to utilize the services of the Superintendent of Schools and central administration, and Director of Pupil Services who also directs special education, for administration of the Rowe Elementary School and bear the costs thereof.

(I) Distribution of Assets in the Event of Dissolution of the District

In the event of the dissolution of the District, its assets shall be distributed to the member towns and the Town of Rowe on the basis of each town's respective aggregate payment of capital cost to the District.

Add the following to Section XIV as a new subsection (C):

(C) Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education

Any amendment to the Agreement must be approved by the Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education.

Add the following to Section XV:

Pursuant to 603 CMR 41.03(2), all approvals, including but not limited to approval by the Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education, must be in place prior to December 31 for the agreement to be effective on the following July 1.

Add the following to the last paragraph of Section XVI(A):

Pursuant to 603 CMR 41.03(2), all approvals, including but not limited to approval by the Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education, must be in place prior to December 31 for the agreement to be effective on the following July 1.

Article 31 - Recommended by Rowe School Committee

A request was made from the floor for a paper ballot vote on Article 31. Request for paper ballot vote was granted with more than ten percent of the voters by show of hands. (Thirteen (13) vote)

Article 31 Defeated by Paper Ballot

24 – Yes

41 -No

A motion was made and seconded to take Article 21 out of order. Motion passed by Show of Hands.

ARTICLE 21: A motion was made and seconded to **TABLE** Article 21 to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for **Pensions and Insurance** for the 2018 fiscal year, or take any action in relation thereto:

Franklin County Retirement Assessment	\$ 132,439.00
Unemployment Insurance	1,000.00
Group Health/Dental/Life Insurance	478,616.00
FICA/Medicare Tax – Town Share	55,000.00
TOTAL PENSION & INSURANCE FROM TAXATION	\$ 667,055.00

Board of Selectmen Chair stated that there were legal problems with Article 21 that need to be resolved before moving forward. It was verified that the number presented in the Group Health/Dental/Life Insurance line reflected the 75% town share.

Motion to TABLE Article 21 was defeated by a Show of Hands
Teller Count
Yes – 22
No - 32

A motion was made and seconded to amend Article 21 to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for **Pensions and Insurance** for the 2018 fiscal year.

Franklin County Retirement Assessment	\$ 132,439.00
Unemployment Insurance	1,000.00
Group Health/Dental/Life Insurance	478,616.00 542,432.00
FICA/Medicare Tax – Town Share	55,000.00
TOTAL PENSION & INSURANCE FROM TAXATION	\$ 667,055.00 730,871.00

A request was made from the floor to allow audience member Barbara Griffin (School Employee) to speak to the article. Request to speak was granted by Show of Hands.

Ms. Griffin read and submitted the following petition. “We, the undersigned employees of Rowe Elementary School, have concerns about how the process happened for the proposed increase in insurance percentages that is on the town warrant. We do not know what percentage of the town’s insurance applies to town residents but certainly a significant number of town employees do not reside in Rowe. To have not been consulted nor informed of this change in insurance percentage increase feels disrespectful. It is most certainly demoralizing to us. Being asked to attend an informative meeting one week before town meeting and when the article is already on the warrant for the town is not informative. It feels like masquerading the supposed “endorsement” of the decision the Select Board has already made. It has been eluded that all other town employees that have been spoken to are accepting of this change. Since most people I know haven’t been spoken to we do not think this can be considered as any kind of a mandate. And to the ones that were spoken to- did they, in fact, tell you that they were accepting of this change or was this presented to them as a done deal and that they had no choice of this change or was this presented to them as a done deal and that they had no choice in the matter? Quite a different scenario. Meeting with people and explaining a situation does not indicate agreement. Certainly the manner in which many of us found out about this does not reflect transparency in politics, a sentiment that many of us feel is critical in a democracy.

It feels like the Town is trying to balance the budget on the backs of a significant number of town employees and retirees who in fact have no vote at all because they do not reside in town. Clearly our input was not sought. It does not seem to us that comprehensive impact study was actually done with would spell out the impact on us. The employees of this town, current and former, provide and have provided high quality service to this town-many going above and beyond in the work that they do for this community. We have pride in Rowe. We are Public Servants. We believe we have served and continue to service this town well.

We, professional and support staff at Rowe Elementary School, also have made do with meager raises and do not feel we have been out of line in our financial request. Our raises have been out of line in our financial requests. Our raises have been less than 2% for the past few years (Fiscal Year 2015- 1.5%, Fiscal Year 2016 – 1.75%, Fiscal Year 2017 – 2%). Couple that with the fact that our insurance costs have gone up which for many of us has resulting in negating our wage increases. Many of us are at the top step which means that this is all we get. In exchange for those of us at the top step you get experienced and dedicated employees. We have also agreed to cutback in sick leave buy back. Our costs in the rest of our life, like all of you are going up also, so overall we are not only keeping up we are losing ground.

Our support staff are even more adversely affected. The majority worked at the school for over 5 years yet barely make above Massachusetts minimum wage. Your proposals impact them even more disproportionately, if you have examined the attached cost handouts you can see for yourself the damage that is being inflicted. We can't even imagine the financial impact on retirees.

For those of us who live in surrounding towns our tax rates are generally 2-3 times as high as those in Rowe. Our towns are face serious infrastructure, broadband, and cell phone issues. Many of our towns have applied for and have received grants to assist with infrastructure remediation. I would encourage Rowe to do the same.

We the undersigned are opposed to the proposed increase in raising the percentage of insurance costs borne by town employees, both current and former.

Barbara Griffin, Robert Baker, Traci Barnes, Carol Lively, Dwight Beebe, Claudine Poplawski, Kara Kitchen, Janice Lapointe, Patricia Tierney, Laurie Pike, Tim Schnamel, Kerri McLatchy, Wendy Norcross, Kimberly Celli, Molly Lane, Carrie Burnett, Melanie Gokey.

**The motion to amend Article 21
Passed By Show Of Hands
Not Unanimous**

**Article 21 as Amended Passed By Show of Hands
Not Unanimous**

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

A voter questioned why the Finance Committee made no recommendations on the Annual Town Meeting warrant. Finance Committee Chair Raymond Wilson stated that they had met but after the warrant had been printed.

Mr. Russ Jolly of the Broadband Committee and Alternated to the Wire West Committee shared the Good News that Fiber was moving forward. Mr. Jolly stated that the Town would be receiving funds shortly and a contractor will be hired to begin work with the hopes of having the project complete by summer 2018. This statement was greeted by a round of applause.

Article 1 Passed By Show of hands

Not Unanimous

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

Article 2 Passed By Show of Hands

Not Unanimous

ARTICLE 3: 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 2018 fiscal year.

Administration

General Administration	\$ 120,450.00
Municipal Audit	8,000.00
Executive Secretary	45,946.00
Administrative Assistant	6,947.00
Town Hall Custodian Wages	13,262.00
Moderator Stipend	439.00
Select Board Stipends	5,928.00
Legal	6,000.00
Tax Collector Stipend	7,782.00
Tax Collector Operations	7,290.00
Treasurer Stipends and Wages	20,722.00
Town Clerk Stipend	13,232.00
Town Clerk Expenses	5,350.00
Conservation Commission	1,000.00
Council on Aging	3,000.00
Energy Committee	500.00
Veteran's Services	2,700.00
FRCOG Services	24,204.00
Town Accountant	16,047.00
Town Accounting Expenses	2,115.00
Subtotal General Government	\$ 310,914.00

Assessor's Office

Assessors' Stipends and Wages	15,354.00
Assessors' Operations	8,200.00
Subtotal Assessors	\$ 23,554.00

Planning Board

Planning Board	1,000.00
Planning Board Consulting <u>and Legal</u> Expenses	5,000.00
Planning Board Goal Post	12,000.00
Subtotal Planning Board	\$ 18,000.00

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT FROM TAXATION

\$ 352,468.00

A motion was made and seconded to amend Article 3 changing Planning Board Consulting and Expenses to read Planning Board Consulting and Legal Expenses.

**Motion to amend Article 3
Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands**

Article 3 as Amended Passed Unanimously by Show of Hands

ARTICLE 4: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the sum of **\$4,500.00** for the **Assessors' FY18 ~~Quintennial~~ Triennial Revaluation Fund**.

Article 4 Passed Unanimously by Show of Hands

ARTICLE 5: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the sum of **\$20,000.00** to be used as a **Reserve Fund** pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40, Section 6 for the extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures for the 2018 fiscal year.

Article 5 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 6: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for the operation and maintenance of **Public Works and Facilities** for the 2018 fiscal year.

Highway Department

DPW Salary and Wages	\$ 289,275.00
DPW Operations	201,609.00
<u>Winter Roads</u>	<u>68,612.00</u>
Subtotal Highway Department	\$ 559,496.00

Other Public Works & Facilities

Street Lighting	\$ 4,000.00
<u>Municipal Light Plant</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
Subtotal Other Public Works & Facilities	5,000.00

Cemetery \$ 15,000.00

TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES FROM TAXATION **\$ 579,496.00**

Article 6 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 7: A motion was made and seconded to **Appropriate** from available funds the sum of **\$143,227.00** for the maintenance, repair, improvement and construction of town highways, or any other purpose allowed under Chapter 90, which amounts shall be reimbursed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through funds made available by Chapter 90.

Article 7 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 8: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for **Public Safety** for the 2018 fiscal year.

Police Department

Police Salaries	\$ 51,344.00
Police Operations	8,850.00
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Subtotal Police Department	\$ 60,194.00

Fire Department

Fire Department Stipends	\$ 32,150.00
Fire Department General Operations	30,917.00
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Subtotal Fire Department	\$63,067.00

Emergency Management

Emergency Management Director	\$ 3,864.00
Emergency Management Operations	1,000.00
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Subtotal Emergency Management	\$4,864.00

Emergency Medical Services

EMS Coordinator Stipend	\$ 2,221.00
EMS Operations	1,500.00
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Subtotal Emergency Medical Service	\$ 3721.00

Animal Control and Inspection

Animal Control Stipends	\$1,657.00
Regional Dog Kennel	350.00
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Subtotal Animal Control	\$ 2,007.00

TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY FROM TAXATION **\$ 133,853.00**

Article 8 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 9: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for **Public Health and Sanitation** for the 2018 fiscal year.

Health Department Stipends and Wages	\$ 74,804.00
Board of Health Operations	\$ 59,884.00

TOTAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND SANITATION FROM TAXATION **\$ 134,688.00**

Article 9 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 10: 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 2018 to accept receipts related to the Town's **Emergency Dispensing Site**, for the operation of the Town's Emergency Dispensing Site. in which any remaining funds may be rolled over into a similar revolving fund for fiscal year 2019, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 10 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 11: 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 2018 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 2019.

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 53E½, to use a **revolving fund with a limit of \$6,000.00** for the 2018 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 2019.

Article 12 Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 13: A motion was made and seconded to amend the general by-laws of the Town of Rowe by adding a new section to establish and authorize revolving funds for use by certain town departments, boards, committees, agencies or officers under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44, § 53E1/2 as printed.

Majority vote to adopt or amend the general by-laws.

ARTICLE VIII (of the general By-Laws)

DEPARTMENTAL REVOLVING FUNDS

1. **Purpose.** This by-law establishes and authorizes revolving funds for use by town departments, boards, committees, agencies or officers in connection with the operation of programs or activities that generate fees, charges or other receipts to support all or some of the expenses of those programs or activities. These revolving funds are established under and governed by General Laws Chapter 44 § 53E1/2.
2. **Expenditure Limitations.** An authorized department or agency head, board, committee or officer may incur liabilities against and spend monies from a revolving fund established and authorized by this by-law without appropriation subject to the following limitations:
 - A. Fringe benefits of full-time employees whose salaries or wages are paid from the fund shall also be paid from the fund (except for those employed as school bus drivers.)
 - B. No liability shall be incurred in excess of the available balance of the fund.
 - C. The total amount spent during a fiscal year shall not exceed the amount authorized by this bylaw or by town meeting on or before July 1 of that fiscal year, or any increased amount of that authorization that is later approved during that fiscal year by the selectboard and finance committee.
3. **Interest.** Interest earned on monies credited to a revolving fund established by this by-law shall be credited to the general fund.
4. **Procedures and reports.** Except as provided in General Laws Chapter 44 §53E1/2 and this by-law, the laws, by-laws, rules, regulations, policies or procedures that govern the receipt and custody of town monies and the expenditure and payment of town funds shall apply to the use of a revolving fund established and authorized by this by-law. The town accountant shall include a statement on the collections credited to each fund, the encumbrances and expenditures charged to the fund and the balance available for expenditure in the regular

report the town accountant provides the department, board, committee, agency or officer on appropriations made for its use.

5. Authorized Revolving Funds. The Table establishes:

- A. Each revolving fund authorized for use by a town department, board, committee, agency or officer.
- B. The department or agency head, board, committee or officer authorized to spend from each fund.
- C. The fees, charges and other monies charged and received by the department, board, committee, agency or officer in connection with the program or activity for which the fund is established that shall be credited to each fund by the Town Accountant.
- D. The expenses of the program or activity for which each fund may be used.
- E. Any restrictions or conditions on expenditures from each fund.
- F. Any reporting or other requirements that apply to each fund, and
- G. The fiscal years each fund shall operate under this by-law.

Revolving Fund	Entity Authorized to Spend from Fund	Fees, Charges, or Receipts Credited to Fund	Program or Activity Expenses Payable from Fund	Restrictions or Conditions on Expenses Payable from Fund	Other Requirements/ Reports	Fiscal Years
Emergency Dispensing Site	Board of Health	Receipts Related to the Emergency Dispensing Site Operations	Dispensing medicines or medical supplies during an emergency	Limit of \$1,000.00		Fiscal Year 2019 and Subsequent Years
Recycling Program	Board of Health	Receipts Related to the Recycling Program	Operation of solid waste and recycling programs, membership in and services of the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District, and the purchase of recycled content or environmentally preferable products	Limit of \$5,000.00		Fiscal Year 2019 and Subsequent Years
Vaccine Services	Board of Health	Receipts from Insurance Billing	Vaccine Services	Limit of \$6,000.00		Fiscal Year 2019 and Subsequent Years
School Programs	School Committee	Fees for School Programs	Offset Department Costs of School Programs	Limit of \$10,000.00		Fiscal Year 2019 and Subsequent Years
Old Home Day	Old Home Day Committee	Receipts Generated by Old Home Day Activities and Programs	Expenses of Old Home Day	Limit of \$5,000.00		Fiscal Year 2019 and Subsequent Years

**Article 13 Passed By Show Of Hands
Unanimous Vote Declared By Moderator**

ARTICLE 14: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for **Public Schools** for the 2018 fiscal year.

School Committee Stipend	\$ 4,564.00	
Rowe School Budget		
Rowe School K-6 Operating Budget	\$ 1,170,482.00	1,161,424.00
Rowe School Secondary 7-12	\$ 485,884.00	478,640.00
TOTAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM TAXATION		\$ 1,656,366.00
1,644,628.00		

School Committee Member Ellen Miller noted that the changes made while reading Article 14 were due the numbers being voted at the Public Budget Hearing on April 7th 2017. Board of Selectmen Chair Marilyn Wilson stated that the Board of Selectmen had contacted Franklin County Tech School and Mohawk and had received different numbers.

**Article 14 Passed by Show of Hands
Not Unanimous**

ARTICLE 15: A motion was made and seconded to authorize the School Committee, pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E½, to use a **revolving fund with a limit of \$10,000.00** for the 2018 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 2019.

**Article 15 Passed By Show Of Hands
Not Unanimous**

ARTICLE 16: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for the **Rowe Town Library** for the 2018 fiscal year.

Library Salaries and Wages	\$ 39,055.00
Library Operations	\$ 29,535.00
TOTAL ROWE LIBRARY FROM TAXATION	\$ 68,590.00

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 **management and operation of Pelham Lake Park** for the 2018 fiscal year.

Park Wages	\$ 89,839.00	
Operation and Maintenance	\$ 19,830.00	
TOTAL PARK FROM TAXATION		\$ 109,669.00

A motion was made to **amend** Article 17 to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums for the **management and operation of Pelham Lake Park** for the 2018 fiscal year.

Park Wages	\$ 89,839.00 —74,174.00
Operation and Maintenance	\$ 19,830.00
TOTAL PARK FROM TAXATION	\$ 109,669.00—94,004.00

Motion to amend Article 17 was Defeated by a Show of Hands, Not Unanimous

Article 17 Passed By Show Of Hands
Not Unanimous

ARTICLE 18: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums fiscal year 2018 for **Culture and Recreation** items, or take any action in relation thereto:

Gracy House Operations	\$ 2,000.00
Gracy House Materials	\$ 500.00
Beautification Committee	\$ 00.00
TOTAL GRACY HOUSE and BEAUTIFICATION FROM TAXATION	\$ 2,500.00

Article 18 Passed By Show Of Hands
Not Unanimous

ARTICLE 19: A motion was made and seconded to **RAISE and APPROPRIATE** the following sums fiscal year 2018 for **Old Home Day**.

Old Home Day	\$ 2,000.00
Old Home Day Fireworks	\$ 5,000.00
TOTAL OLD HOME DAY FROM TAXATION	\$ 7,000.00

Article 19 Passed By Show Of Hands
Not Unanimous

ARTICLE 20: A motion was made and seconded to authorize the **Old Home Day Committee**, pursuant to MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E½, to use a **revolving fund with a limit of \$5,000.00** for the 2018 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 2019.

Article 20 Passed By Show Of Hands
Not Unanimous

ARTICLE 22: A motion was made and seconded to **APPROPRIATE from FREE CASH** the sum of ~~\$98,432.00~~ **\$162,248.00** to be used to reduce the FY2018 Tax Rate.

Article 22 Passed By Show Of Hands
Not Unanimous

ARTICLE 23: A motion was made and seconded to **APPROPRIATE** from the **Assessors Overlay Surplus Account** the sum of **\$13,997.00** reduce the FY2018 Tax Rate.

Article 23 Passed Unanimously by Show of Hands

ARTICLE 24: A motion was made and seconded to **APPROPRIATE from FREE CASH** the sum of **\$15,000.00** to be used to repair/replace the damaged windows at the Rowe Town Library.

Article 24 Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 25: A motion was made and seconded to **APPROPRIATE from FREE CASH** the sum of **\$5,100.00** to be used to replace Park Headquarters siding.

Article 25 Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 26: A motion was made and seconded to **APPROPRIATE from FREE CASH** the sum of **\$1,500.00** to be used to repair ramp for Compactor at the Transfer Station.

Article 26 Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 27: A motion was made and seconded to **TRANSFER** from **FREE CASH** the sum of ~~**\$247,180.00**~~ **\$183,364.00** to the Stabilization Fund.

Article 27 Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 28: A motion was made and seconded to **TRANSFER** from **PARK PLAYGROUND CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT** the sum of **\$5,000.00** to be used for a new account, the Park Vehicle Repair Fund.

Article 28 Passed By Show Of Hands
Not Unanimous

ARTICLE 29: A motion was made and seconded to **AUTHORIZE** the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend federal and state grants as may be available for the purposes of bridge repair and construction.

Article 29 Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

ARTICLE 30: A motion was made and seconded to **AUTHORIZE** the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend federal and state grants as may be available for the purposes constructing high speed internet.

Article 30 Passed Unanimously By Show Of Hands

Strike the following language in Section I(B):

ARTICLE 32: A motion was made and seconded to acknowledge the following; "Be it known, that the Town of Rowe is a compassionate community whose residents respect the rights, dignity, and integrity of its citizens and visitors. As a welcoming community, we celebrate diversity, honor privacy and safety and affirm and promote equality for all. And furthermore, to instruct the Town Clerk to send a copy of this Declaration to our senators and Representatives in Congress and in the Massachusetts Legislature; the Governor of the Commonwealth; and to be posted at Town buildings and on the Town website."

Presented by Citizen Petition

**Article 31 Passed By Show Of Hands
Not Unanimous**

ARTICLE 33: To transact any other business that may lawfully come before the meeting.

Board of Selectmen Vice Chair Walter Quist thanked the Board of Selectmen, Department Heads and Residents for his time on the Board of Selectmen encouraging resident to volunteer in the community. Mr. Quist received a round of applause.

Mr. Leonard Laffond requested that the Flags presented to the school at the dedication be placed on the stage during Town Meetings.

The Moderator reminder voters of the Annual Town Election on Saturday May 13, 2017 from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Rowe Town Hall.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Annual Town Meeting at 9:13 p.m. Unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted:



Jennifer A. Morse
Rowe Town Clerk
May 10, 2017

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION Fiscal Year 2018



ARTICLE 3**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

General Administration Town Hall	\$20,000.00
Town Officer Expenses	\$1,000.00
Print Town Reports	3,000.00
IT Consultant	\$8,000.00
IT Hardware/Software	\$8,000.00
Town-wide Notification System	\$1,000.00
Municipal Center Operations/Maintenance	\$14,000.00
Town Hall Fuel Oil	\$4,500.00
Town Hall Electricity	\$6,000.00
Town Hall Elevator Maintenance Contract	\$1,600.00
Bonding and Insurance	\$49,100.00
<u>Harper's Payroll</u>	<u>\$4,250.00</u>
Subtotal Administration	\$120,450.00

Municipal Audit	\$8,000.00
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Executive Secretary	\$45,946.00
Administrative Assistant Compensation	\$6,947.00
Town Hall Custodian Wages	\$13,262.00
Moderator Stipend	\$439.00
<u>Selectmen Stipends</u>	<u>\$5,928.00</u>
Subtotal Wages and Stipends	\$72,522.00

Legal Expenses	\$6,000.00
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Tax Collector's Operations

Tax Collector Stipend	\$7,782.00
<u>Tax Collector Operations</u>	<u>\$7,290.00</u>
Tax Collector Total	\$15,072.00

Treasurer

Treasurer Stipend	\$13,669.00
<u>Assistant Treasurer</u>	<u>\$7,053.00</u>
Treasurer Total	\$20,722.00

Town Clerk

Town Clerk Stipend	\$13,232.00
Town Clerk Operations	\$1,500.00
Registrars & Census Takers Compensation	\$350.00
<u>Election/Teller Expenses</u>	<u>\$3,500.00</u>
Town Clerk Total	\$18,582.00

Conservation Commission Operations	\$1,000.00
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Council on Aging	\$3,000.00	
Energy Committee Operations	\$500.00	
Veterans' Services		
Veterans' Administrative Operations	\$2,600.00	
<u>Veterans' Benefits</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	
Veterans' Services	\$2,700.00	
FRCOG Services		
FRCOG Regional Services Assessment	\$15,627.00	
FRCOG Statutory Assessment	\$1,240.00	
Franklin County Emergency Communications System	\$1,296.00	
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	\$24,204.00	
Accountant		
Town Accountant	\$16,047.00	
Accounting Expenses	\$400.00	
Software License	\$1,200.00	
<u>Consultant</u>	<u>\$515.00</u>	
Accounting Total	\$18,162.00	
Assessor's Office		
Assessors' Stipends	\$5,354.00	
Assessors' Clerk	\$10,000.00	
<u>Assessors' Operations</u>	<u>\$8,200.00</u>	
Assessors' Office Total	\$23,554.00	
Planning Board		
Planning Board Operations	\$1,000.00	
Planning Board Consulting Expenses	\$5,000.00	
<u>Planning Board Goal Post Operations</u>	<u>\$12,000.00</u>	
Planning Board Total	\$18,000.00	
GENERAL GOVERNMENT FROM TAXATION		\$352,468.00
ARTICLE 4		
Assessor's Quintennial Revaluation Stabilization	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00

ARTICLE 5

Reserve Fund	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
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ARTICLE 6**PUBLIC WORKS**

DPW Superintendent's Salary	\$73,703.00
DPW Heavy Equipment Operator's Wages	\$193,072.00
<u>Summer Youth Employment Program Wages</u>	<u>\$22,500.00</u>
DPW Wages Total	\$289,275.00

DPW Operations & Maintenance	\$30,379.00
Summer Youth Operations & Maintenance	\$1,500.00
DPW Heating	\$6,500.00
DPW Electricity	\$230.00
Fuel for Town Vehicles	\$43,000.00
Road Surface Maintenance/Reclamation	\$80,000.00
Annual DPW Projects	\$40,000.00
<u>Snow & Ice Removal (Winter Roads)</u>	<u>\$68,612.00</u>
DPW Operations Total	\$270,221.00

Street Lighting	\$4,000.00
Municipal Light Plant	\$1,000.00
<u>Cemeteries – Maintenance/Repair</u>	<u>\$15,000.00</u>
Other Public Works & Facilities Total	\$20,000.00

TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES FROM TAXATION	\$579,496.00
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ARTICLE 7**APPROPRIATE CHAPTER 90**

Appropriate Chapter 90 Funds	\$143,227.00
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ARTICLE 8**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Police Chief Stipend	\$23,819.00
Police Officers Compensation	\$26,477.00
Constable Stipend	\$549.00
<u>Police Old Home Day Presence</u>	<u>\$499.00</u>
Police Salaries	\$51,344.00

Police Dept. Operations	\$8,850.00
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Police Dept. Total	\$60,194.00
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Fire Chief Stipend	\$7,782.00
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Fire Dept./EMS Personnel Payroll	\$16,616.00	
<u>Fire Dept./EMS Admin Assistant</u>	<u>\$7,752.00</u>	
Fire Dept. Stipends	\$32,150.00	
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>\$0.00</u>	
Fire Dept. Operations Total	\$30,917.00	
Fire Dept. Total	\$63,067.00	
Hazardous Material Control	\$0.00	
Emergency Management	\$1,000.00	
<u>Emergency Management Director</u>	<u>\$3,864.00</u>	
Emergency Management Total	\$4,864.00	
EMS Coordinator Stipend	\$2,221.00	
<u>EMS Operations and Maintenance</u>	<u>\$1,500.00</u>	
Emergency Medical Service Total	\$3,721.00	
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	<u>\$350.00</u>	
Animal Control and Inspection Total	\$2,007.00	
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY FROM TAXATION		\$133,853.00

ARTICLE 9		PUBLIC HEALTH & SANITATION
Transfer Station Attendants Compensation	\$16,300.00	
Board of Health Stipends	\$4,938.00	
Board of Health Clerk Wages	\$7,436.00	
Town Nurse Wages	\$45,630.00	
<u>Physician's Stipend</u>	<u>\$500.00</u>	
Health Dept. Wages Total	\$74,804.00	
Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day	\$500.00	
Refuse Garden Operations	29,000.00	
Franklin County Solid Waste Mgt. District Assessment	4,594.00	
Board of Health Operations	13,500.00	
FRCOG Health Agent Assessment	4,900.00	
<u>Health Services Operations</u>	<u>7,390.00</u>	

Board of Health Operations Total	\$59,884.00
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TOTAL PUBLIC HEALTH & SANITATION FROM TAXATION	\$134,688.00
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ARTICLE 14	EDUCATION
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School Committee Stipend	\$4,564.00	
Rowe School K-6 Operating Budget	\$1,165,918.00	
<u>Rowe School Secondary 7-12</u>	<u>\$485,884.00</u>	
TOTAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM TAXATION	\$1,656,366.00	\$1,656,366.00

ARTICLE 16	LIBRARY
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Library Director Salary	\$21,384.00
<u>Library Staff Wages</u>	<u>\$17,671.00</u>
Library Staff Wages Total	\$39,055.00

Library Operations and Maintenance	\$21,430.00
Library Heating Oil	\$1,550.00
Library Electricity	\$3,500.00
CWMARS Mininet Annual Membership	\$3,055.00
Library Operations Total	\$29,535.00

TOTAL ROWE TOWN LIBRARY FROM TAXATION	\$68,590.00
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ARTICLE 17	PARK OPERATIONS & MGT.
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Park Ranger Compensation	\$46,995.00
<u>Park Wages</u>	<u>\$42,844.00</u>
Subtotal Park Wages	\$89,839.00

Park Operations and Maintenance	\$19,830.00
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TOTAL PARK FROM TAXATION	\$109,669.00
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ARTICLE 18	GRACY HOUSE & BEAUTIFICATION
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Gracy House Operations	\$2,000.00	
Gracy House Materials/Supplies	\$500.00	
<u>Beautification Committee</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	
TOTAL GRACY HOUSE & BEAUTIFICATION FROM TAXATION	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00

ARTICLE 19	OLD HOME DAY
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Old Home Day	\$2,000.00	
<u>Old Home Day Fireworks</u>	<u>\$5,000.00</u>	
TOTAL OLD HOME DAY FROM TAXATION	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00

ARTICLE 21	PENSION & INSURANCE
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Franklin County Retirement Assessment	\$132,439.00	
Unemployment Insurance	\$1,000.00	
Group Health Insurance	\$478,616.00	
<u>FICA/Medicare Tax – Town Share</u>	<u>\$55,000.00</u>	
TOTAL PENSION & INSURANCE FROM TAXATION		\$667,055.00

ARTICLE 22	FREE CASH TO REDUCE TAX RATE
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Appropriate from Free Cash to Reduce FY18 Tax Rate		\$98,432.00
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ARTICLE 23	APPROPRIATE TO REDUCE TAX RATE
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Appropriate from Assessors Overlay Surplus Account	To Reduce Tax Rate	\$13,997.00
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ARTICLE 24	LIBRARY WINDOW REPAIR
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Appropriate \$15,000 from Free Cash for window Replace/Repair		\$15,000.00
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ARTICLE 25	PARK SIDING REPAIR
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Appropriate \$5,100.00 from Free Cash for Park Siding Repair		\$5,100.00
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ARTICLE 26	TRANSFER STATION RAMP
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Appropriate \$1,500.00 from Free Cash for Ramp Repair		\$1,500.00
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ARTICLE 27	TRANSFER TO STABILIZATION
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Transfer \$247,180.00 from Free Cash to the Stabilization Fund		\$247,180.00
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ARTICLE 28	TRANSFER TO STABILIZATION
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Transfer from Park Playground Construction Account	to be used for Vehicle Repair Fund	\$5,000.00
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**Projected Assessments if Rowe were a member of
Mohawk at the Secondary Level
Fiscal Year 2018**

Mohawk Trail RSD	Estimated Mohawk Regional District	Additional Revenue to Mohawk w/Rowe	Changes	Additional State Revenue
Rowe Tuition Estimate	\$ (321,000)			
Rowe Chapter 70 Payment to MTRSD		\$ 55,280		
Rowe Chapter 71 (New Revenue for Regionalization)		\$ 33,650		\$ 33,650
Estimated Charter Reimbursement From Rowe		\$ 8,790		\$ (7,903)
Rowe Estimated Minimum Contribution		\$ 214,759		
Rowe Estimated Above Minimum Contribution		\$ 148,017		
Rowe Estimated Transportation Assessment		\$ 11,977		
Total Revenue	\$ (321,000)	\$ 472,474		
Less Rowe Transp Expense		\$ (56,084)	Additional Revenue to Mohawk Trail RSD	
Less Rowe School Choice Sending		\$ -		
Less Rowe Charter Sending Expense		\$ (35,158)		\$ 31,613
Total Change	\$ (321,000)	\$ 381,232	\$ 60,232	\$ 57,360
Rowe School District - Secondary	Estimated Rowe District Secondary Expenses	Rowe Assessment & Revenue to Mohawk Secondary		
Rowe Tuition Estimate	\$ 321,000			
Secondary Transportation Expense	\$ 56,084			
School Choice Sending Estimate	\$ -			
Charter School Sending Estimate	\$ 66,771			
Rowe Assessment		\$ (374,754)		
Rowe Chapter 70 Revenue	\$ (55,280)		Difference in Cost to Rowe	
Rowe Estimated Charter	\$ (16,693)			
Total Change	\$ 371,882	\$ (374,754)	\$ (2,872)	

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SPECIAL TOWN MEETING OFFICIAL RESULTS - September 7, 2017

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING Town of Rowe Commonwealth of Massachusetts Thursday, September 7, 2017

Town Clerk: Katherine Sprague
Moderator: Robert Clancy
Board of Selectmen: Jennifer Morse
Dennis May

The Special Town Meeting was held on Thursday, September 7, 2017 at the Rowe Elementary School – 86 Pond Road in Rowe. There were approximately twenty-three (23) registered voters in attendance and no audience members. The meeting was called to order by Moderator Clancy at 7:00 p.m.

After the reading of the Special Town Meeting Warrant Greeting Moderator Clancy opened the meeting for articles.

ARTICLE 1: A motion was made and seconded to transfer from FY18 Board of Health Operations the sum of \$87.19 for a bill of prior year consisting of supplies purchased in FY17.

Article 1 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 2: A motion was made and seconded to transfer from FY18 Board of Health Operations the sum of \$450.00 for a bill of prior year consisting of services purchased in FY17

Article 2 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 3: A motion was made and seconded to transfer from FY18 Board of Health Operations the sum of \$84.50 for a bill of prior year consisting of supplies purchased in FY17.

Article 3 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 4: A motion was made and seconded to transfer from FY18 Fire Department Operations the sum of \$38.98 for a bill of prior year consisting of supplies purchased in FY17.

Article 4 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 5: A motion was made and seconded to transfer from Special Projects Bridge Rehabilitation Program the sum of \$6,775.00 for a bill of prior year consisting of required inspections for Pelham and Mill Pond dams hired in FY17.

Article 5 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 6: A motion was made and seconded to transfer from General Administration the sum of \$64.00 for a bill of prior year consisting of supplies purchased in FY17.

Article 6 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 7: A motion was made and seconded to transfer from FY18 Park Operations to FY18 Park Wages the sum of \$800.00 to pay for the cost of the Park Swimming Instruction Course.

Article 7 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 8: A motion was made and seconded to appropriate from the Town Hall Generator Stabilization Account the amount of \$50,531.96 for the purpose of installing generators at Town Hall and Highway Garage.

Article 8 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 9: A motion was made and seconded to appropriate from the DPW Road Reclamation Stabilization Account the amount of \$76,574.38 for the purpose of engineering work and repairs on Yankee Road.

Article 9 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 10: A motion was made and seconded to have the Select Board act as the Municipal Light Board, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 41, section 21.

Article 10 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 11: A motion was made and seconded to have the Select Board act as the Municipal Light Board and further to authorize the Select Board, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 41, section 21, to place the following question on the ballot for the Annual Town Meeting:

Shall the town vote to have its selectmen act as the Municipal Light Board?

_____ Yes _____ No

Article 11 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 12: A motion was made and seconded to appropriate from the Capital Stabilization Account the amount of \$17,500.00 to replace the Fire Department Heating System.

Article 12 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 13: A motion was made and seconded to appropriate from the Capital Stabilization Account the amount of \$90,000.00 for a Highway Truck , or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 13 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 14: A motion was made and seconded to TABLE Article 14 To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Stabilization Account the amount of \$7,000.00 to repair the electrical system in Engine 4, or take any action in relation thereto.

The Motion to TABLE Article 14 Passed Unanimously By Show of Hands

ARTICLE 15: To transact any other business of a lawful and pertinent nature that may come before the meeting.

No Business Brought Forth

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the Special Town Meeting at 7:14 p.m. ***Unanimous.***

Respectfully Submitted
Katherine Sprague
Rowe Town Clerk
September 9, 2017

A true copy, Attest:_____

Katherine Sprague, Rowe Town

Special Town Election Results

Saturday, September 9, 2017

133 Voted/278 Total Registered Voters

Warden: Robin Reed
Clerk: Marjorie Morse
Election Workers: Jodi Brown, Ashton Demech, Brianna Demech, Deborah Lively, Christine Tower,
Shirley Veber
Constable: Henry Dandeneau

BOARD OF SELECTMEN (REMANDER OF 1 YEAR TERM)

Michael Phillips	47
Chuck Sokol	85
Blank	1

A true copy, Attest: _____ Date: _____
Katherine Sprague, Rowe Town Clerk