

**TOWN OF ROWLEY  
FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of Meeting October 17, 2017  
Rowley Town Hall**

**Members Present:** Lawrence White, Chairman, Sharon Emery, Vice Chairman, Peter Censullo, Paul Jalbert, Dennis Roy, Jami Snow

1. Call to Order: Larry White, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:18 pm with a quorum present.
2. Minutes of Meeting Held on April 24, 2017: *Emery moved to accept the minutes of the meeting held jointly with the Board of Selectman on April 24, 2017. Roy seconded. Jalbert recused himself. The vote was unanimous in favor.*
3. Minutes of Meeting Held on September 5, 2017: *Roy moved to accept the minutes of the meeting held on September 5, 2017. Jalbert seconded. Snow recused herself. The vote was unanimous in favor.*

Discussion: Censullo identified an incorrect statement in Item 7.

*Censullo moved to change the words “District Communications Committee” to “School Committee”. Jalbert seconded. Snow recused herself. The vote was unanimous in favor.*

4. Triton Regional School Assessment – White had invited a representative from the Salisbury Warrant Advisory Committee to attend the meeting to start discussions early on the Triton School budget. The representative was not able to attend the meeting. White expressed his concern and frustration with the annual increases to the Triton School budget as a whole, not only the Rowley assessment. Discussion ensued about the various aspects of the budget and possible areas to review for reduction as well as the potential effects of budget reductions.

Strategies were discussed for the three towns to work together to establish a dialogue with the Triton School Committee. It was suggested that the three Finance Committees meet to review long term goals and to present a unified voice to the Triton School Committee. White will follow up with the Newbury and Salisbury to try to set up a meeting.

5. Pine Grove School Project and Town Meeting Location – White updated the Committee on the plans for the next Town Meeting at Pine Grove School during construction. The date and location will remain the same, however, the meeting will be held in the gym where the square footage is the same but would not allow for a live feed of the meeting. Options were

discussed that White will bring to the BOS during Citizen's Query since it is the decision of the BOS.

6. Review of Monthly Appropriation Report – The report was reviewed with no major issues identified. The Water Department have expenses that appear to not have been paid, Snow will follow up with the Water Board at their next meeting.
7. Next Meeting Date: The next meeting date is tentatively set for November 14, 2017.
8. Adjournment: Emery moved to adjourn. Snow seconded and the vote was unanimous at 8:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Coffey  
Finance Committee Secretary

Documents Attached:

Agenda for October 17, 2017  
Draft Minutes of April 24, 2017 and September 5, 2017  
Monthly Appropriation Report July – September 2017