

Town of Rowley 2010



Annual Report

GENERAL INFORMATION

Rowley was incorporated as a Town on September 4, 1639

LOCATION32 miles north of Boston
AREA..... 19.03 square miles
ZIP CODE..... 01969
AREA CODE..... 978

POPULATION:

1960 Federal Census 2,783
1970 Federal Census 3,006
1980 Federal Census 3,860
1990 Federal Census 4,452
2000 Federal Census 5,500

REGISTERED VOTERS: as of December 30, 2010

Democrat..... 740
Green-Rainbow 13
Libertarian..... 9
Republican 637
Other 1
Unenrolled 2,622
Total Registered Voters 4,014
Inactive Status Voters 246
Total Population..... 5,951

ASSESSED VALUATION: as of January 1, 2010

Real Estate 871,872,601
Personal Property 19,382,008

TAX RATE FOR FY 11:

All classes of property 13.28

TOWN OFFICES:

The Town Hall and Town Hall Annex has offices for the Accountant, Town Administrator, Assessors, Board of Health, Selectmen, Inspection Department, Conservation Commission, Council on Aging, Planning Board, Town Clerk and Treasurer/Collector
Mailboxes for departments, boards & committees are located at the Town Hall
The Fire Station is located on Hammond Street
The Highway Garage is located on Independent Street
The Rowley Free Public Library is located on Main Street next to Town Hall
The Pine Grove School is located on Main Street
The Municipal Light Department is located on Summer Street
The Police Department is located on Haverhill Street
The Water Department is located on Central Street

SENATORS IN CONGRESS: Scott Brown 617-565-3170, John F. Kerry, 617-565-8519

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS: John Tierney 978-531-1669

STATE SENATOR: Bruce Tarr, Room 436, State House, 617-722-1600

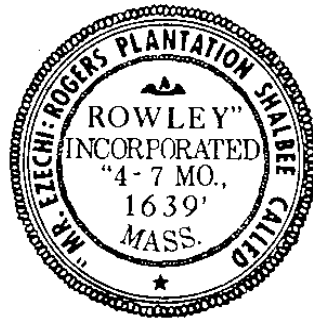
STATE REPRESENTATIVE: Harriett Stanley, 617-722-2430

1639

2010

Three Hundred Seventy First

*Annual Report
of the
Town of Rowley*



For the year ending December 31

2010

(Cover photo courtesy of G. Robert Merry, Rowley, MA)

COVER PHOTO

The Municipal Lighting Plant Linemen Celebrating The One Hundredth Anniversary Of The Department On Town Common

**Top: Left- Mark Anderson; Right - Sean Labelle
Bottom: Left - Brian Heardman; Right - Dennis Morrison**

One hundred years ago residents of Rowley had the foresight to establish their own Municipal Lighting Plant. At a Town Meeting held on October 20, 1909 voters paved the way to bring electric power to Rowley by appointing a committee of five residents to investigate the establishment of an electric utility in our town. Just two months later, on December 10, 1909 this committee made their report to Town Meeting. On February 12, 1910 the required second vote was taken and on a vote of yes - one hundred twenty two & no - two a Municipal Lighting Plant was established in Rowley.

A newspaper headline dated August 17, 1910 stated: "Great Night For People Of Rowley - Observed Lighting of the Town by Electricity With a Band Concert".

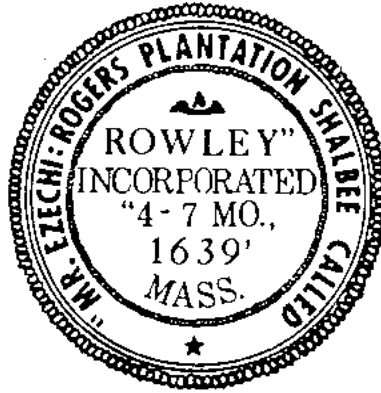
All roads led to Rowley last evening upon the occasion of illumination of the town by the new system of electric light. The crowd that thronged the streets was estimated to number about 1,000 people and was the largest that has ever been seen congregated together in recent years. Besides the lighting of the streets the Lambert field adjoining the Town Hall grounds was brilliantly lighted by electricity, about a dozen powerful lamps being used in the illumination. Under these lights the Rowley Brass Band was stationed and gave a pleasing concert for over an hour and a half, discoursing the popular airs of the day which, with the lively marches and other selections, caught the favor of the audience, who gave most hearty applause. There seems to be a universal satisfaction throughout the town now that it was a wise move to install the plant, and many who were strongly in opposition are now pleased with the system and glad that the town entered into the scheme of installing electric lights.

By 1911 there were 32 customers connected to the system; the town with 146 street lights, 39 customers with 586 lamps and one customer with a 3 horsepower motor to pump water. The town purchased 18,450 kilowatt hours in 1911, at a cost of six cents per KWh.

In 2010, the Municipal Lighting Plant served over 2850 customers, the kilowatt hour sales exceed 41,653,000 KWh at a cost of thirteen cents per KWh.

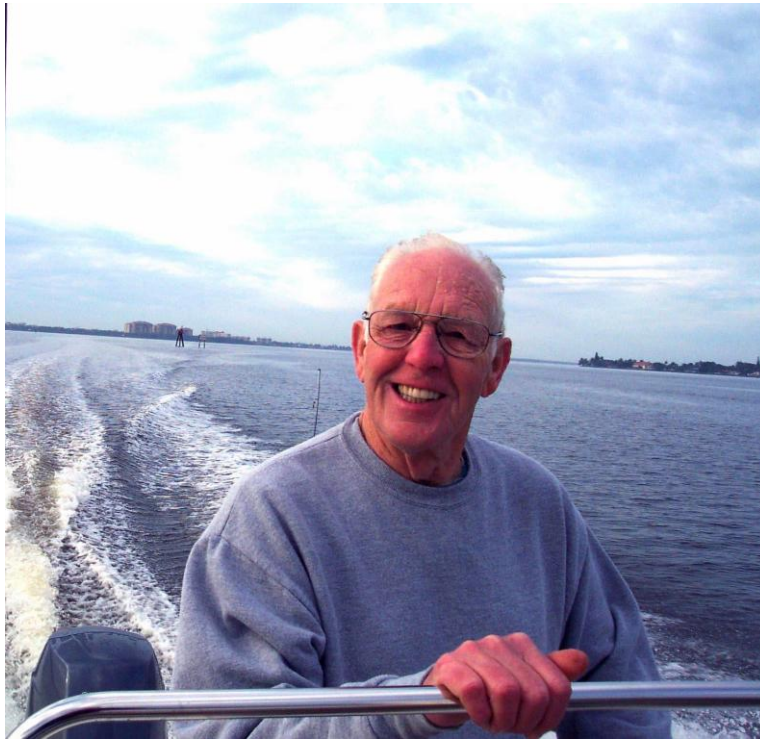
Today the entire electric system is operated and maintained by a professional staff of just 8 employees.

(Cover photo courtesy of G. Robert Merry, Rowley, MA)



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Board of Selectmen wishes to thank G. Robert Merry for supplying the cover photo and all of the historical data and photos.



LAWRENCE BROCKELBANK

1934 - 2010

ROWLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT

1974 to 1983

ROWLEY FINANCE COMMITTEE

1986 to 1991

ROWLEY COUNCIL ON AGING

1992 to 1995

ROWLEY FENCE VIEWER

1993 to 2010

U.S. NAVY VETERAN OF THE KOREAN WAR

(Photo courtesy of the Brockelbank family)



EDWARD J. FLOOD "JACK"
1938 - 2010
ROWLEY COUNCIL ON AGING VAN DRIVER
COUNCIL ON AGING ACTIVITY COORDINATOR
UNION STEWART
1999 to 2007
U.S. ARMY VETERAN
1957 to 1959
U.S. ARMY RESERVE
1959 to 1976

(Photo courtesy of the Flood family)



SUMNER FOSS HALEY
1926 - 2010
ROWLEY COUNCIL ON AGING DIRECTOR
2008 to 2010
COUNCIL ON AGING MEALS-ON-WHEELS DRIVER
COUNCIL ON AGING HANDY MAN
U.S. NAVY VETERAN WORLD WAR II
ALWAYS WILLING TO HELP ANYONE IN NEED

(Cover photo courtesy of the COA)



JAMES H. KEELER, Jr.

1922 - 2010

ROWLEY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

1958 to 1976

**TRITON REGIONAL JUNIOR and HIGH SCHOOL
BUILDING COMMITTEE**

1962 to 1971

**COMMISSIONER ROWLEY MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLANT
1965 to 1966**

STARTED THE BARNSTORMERS SQUARE DANCING GROUP

**FORMED THE ROWLEY BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
EXPLORE POST**

U.S. NAVY VETERAN WORLD WAR II

(Photo courtesy of Keeler family)



MIRIAM R. MARSHALL

1920 - 2010

**ROWLEY SCHOOLS CAFETERIA SUPERVISOR
EZEKIEL ROGERS SCHOOL**

1949 to 1955

PINE GROVE SCHOOL

1955 to 1970

TRITON REGIONAL SCHOOL

1970 to 1982

LIFE LONG RESIDENT OF ROWLEY

(Photo courtesy of Dalzell family)



KENNETH A. TODD Jr.

1923 - 2010

COMMISSIONER ROWLEY LIGHT PLANT

1953 to 1964

BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

1971 to 1972

BAY CIRCUIT COMMITTEE

1988 to 1992

BAY CIRCUIT GREENBELT REPRESENTATIVE

1988 to 2002

EAGLE BOY SCOUT and TROOP LEADER

**LIFE and ACTIVE MEMBER ROWLEY VOLUNTEER FIRE
PROTECTION ASSOCIATION**

LIFE LONG RESIDENT OF ROWLEY

(Photo courtesy of Anna Todd)

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Elected Officials of the Town of Rowley

Board of Selectman

David C. Petersen (2010)
Stuart L. Dalzell, Sr. (2010)
Jack L. Cook (2011)
Robert L. Snow (2011)
Richard M. Cummings (2012)

Moderator

Warren G. Appell (2010)

Town Clerk

Susan G. Hazen (2012)

Treasurer/Tax Collector

Jacqueline R. Vigeant (2012)

Highway Surveyor

A. Scott Leavitt (2012)

Board of Assessors

William DiMento (2012)
Diane L. D'Angeli (2010)
Donald Thurston (2011)

Regional School Committee

Rowley:

Mary T. Murphy (2012)
Edward Mavragis (2010)
Lane Bourn (2011)

Newbury:

Suzanne W. Densmore (2012)
Frank L. Chiaravalloti (2010)
Diana L. Sullivan (2011)

Salisbury:

Dale Knowles (2012)
Deborah A. Choate (2010)
Holly Beth Janvrin (2011)

Planning Board

Curt Bryant (Appt'd to May 2009)
Jean Marie Pietrillo (2014)
Stuart W. Wells (2010)
Richard Bertelson (2011)
Clifford Pierce (2013)
David F. Jaquith, Associate (2011)

Trustees of the Free Public Library

Aldene Gordon (2009)
Nina Gynan (2009)
Scott Accomando (2010)
Peter Rooney (2010)
Adrienne Mavragis (2010)
Janet Peabody (2011)
Joseph Perry (2011)
David Masher (2011)
Erin Skillman (2012)

Rowley Housing Authority

State Appointee: Warren G. Appell
Jack L. Cook (2014)
Cheryl T. Draper (2010)
Katherine L. Dalzell (2011)
Jacqueline R. Vigeant (2012)

Municipal Light Board

Aldene Gordon (2012)
David Levesque (2010)
G. Robert Merry (2011)

Municipal Water Board

David A. Dalzell (2009)
Scott C. Martin (2010)
Timothy Toomey (2011)
Roy Ricker, Sr. (2012)

Shellfish Commissioners

Stuart Dalzell, Jr. (2012)
Charles G. Hazen (2010)
John H. Grundstrom (2011)

Tree Warden

A Scott Leavitt (2012)

Cemetery Commissioners

Jack L. Cook (2009)
Stuart Dalzell, Jr. (2012)
Peter Dalzell (2010)
John H. Bradley (2011) – resigned 1/21/09

Constables

Philip Collyer (2012)
Nathaniel N. Dummer (2010)

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Accountant	Board of Health
Susan W. Bailey	Charles Costello (2013)
	Susan Elwell (2012)
Agricultural Commission	John Melcher (2011)
Jack Grundstrom (2013)	
Deborah Streiff (2011)	Board of Registrars
Morna Unzer (2013)	Barbara DiMento (2011)
Diane Short (2011)	Mildred Dummer (2011)
George Pacenka (2011)	Gordon Densmore (2011)
Joseph Mirasolo (2011)	Susan Hazen, Town Clerk (2011)
Barry Moore, (2013)	
Elizabeth Tucker, Alternate (2011)	Bradstreet Land Use Committee
Patrick Moran, Alternate (2011)	Susan Jones Moses (2010)
	Clifford Pierce (2010)
Animal Control Officer	Thomas Heidgerd (2010)
Reed Wilson (2011)	G. Robert Merry (2010)
Carol Laroque (2011)	Chris Quigley (2009)
	Mary Ellen Mighill (2010)
Principal Assessor	Martha Rausch (2010)
Sean McFadden	Richard Cummings, Sel Rep(2010) <i>resigned 5/10</i>
Board of Appeals, Ch. 41 Sec 81	
Donald W. Thurston, Chairman (2013)	Building Inspector
Nathaniel Dummer, (2015)	Ken Ward (2011)
Alfred G. Clifford (2010)	David Lovering , Interim Bldg. Insp. 2010
Thomas J. Potts, Jr. (2011)	
Glen A. Pyburn, Assoc. (2012) <i>res 9/10</i>	Glenn Clohecy, Alternate (2012) <i>resigned 4/10</i>
David Levesque (2014)	
Thomas W. Heidgerd (2012)	John Caldwell, Alternate (2011)
Joseph Greenwood, Assoc. <i>res 8/10</i>	
Michael Doherty, Associate (2011)	Cable Television Advisory Committee
	Warren Appell (2011)
Zoning Board of Appeals	John R. DiMento (2011)
Donald W. Thurston, Chairman (2013)	Thomas Moses (2011)
Nathaniel Dummer, Associate (2014)	Walter Hardy (2011)
Alfred G. Clifford (2010)	G. Robert Merry (2011)
Thomas J. Potts, Jr. (2011)	Janet Morrissey (2011)
Glen A. Pyburn, Associate (2012)	Vincent Pesaturo (2011)
David Levesque (2014)	Robert Snow , Selectmen's Rep. (2011)
Thomas W. Heidgerd (2012)	
Joseph Greenwood, Assoc. <i>res 8/10</i>	Cannoneer
Michael Doherty, Assoc (2011)	G. Robert Merry (2011)

Community Preservation Committee	Finance Committee
Curtis Turner, Con Com Rep (2013)	John DiMento, Chairman (2013)
Frank Todd, Hist. Dist. Com (2013)	Karen Muzi (2010)
Jean Pietrillo, Planning Bd Rep (2010)	Sharon Emery (2011)
Sue Moses, Open Space (2010) <i>res 1/10</i>	Louis Modini (2011)
Warren Appell, RHA rep (2012)	Janet Bridges (2011)
Richard Cummings BOS Rep (2011)	Peter Censullo (2013)
Kurt Annen (2011)	Edward Mavragis (2013) <i>res 10/10</i>
Robert Carpenter (2011)	Vincent Pesaturo (2012)
Stuart Wells, Planning Bd Rep. (2013)	Steven Roge (2012)
Michael Quinn, Parks&Rec (2011) <i>resigned 2/10</i>	
Conservation Commission	Fire Department
Judith H. Kehs (2011)	James C. Broderick, Chief (2012)
Douglas Watson (2011)	Mark Emery, Captain (2012)
Curtis Turner (2012)	James R. Merry Captain (2012)
Sam Strieff (2013)	Mark Durkee (2012)
Brook Todd (2012)	Scott Winfrey (2012)
David Delmonico (2011)	Mark Winfrey (2012)
Robert Garner (2012)	Shawn Roberts (2012)
Robert Carpenter (2013)	Joseph R Merry (2012)
	Robert Serino (2012)
	James Chadbourne (2012)
Conservation Commission Agent	Donald Merry (2012)
Brent Baeslack	James Condon (2012)
	Ron Agrella (2012)
Council on Aging Director	Charles Hazen (2012)
Mary Ellen Mighill	David Carpentier (2012)
	Darcie Britner (2012)
Council on Aging	Robert M J Hagopian (2012)
Robert Kirshner (2012)	Roger S Merry (2012)
Mary Bright (2011)	Jason Merry (2012)
Joan Lyons (2011)	John R Stomboly (2012)
Sumner Haley (2012) <i>deceased 2010</i>	Richard J Gagnon (2012) <i>retired 9/9/10</i>
Robert Hagopian (2013)	Matthew Skelley (2012)
Robert Todd (2010) <i>resigned 2010</i>	Jesse T Warren (2012)
Nina Gynan (2012)	Shawn Russell (2011) <i>resigned 9/22/10</i>
Merle Phipps (2013)	John Condelli (2012)
George Gallant (2012)	Alan Comeau (2012)
	Justin Graham (2012)
Eight Towns and the Bay Committee	Matthew Harrington (2010)
Robert J. Carpenter (2011)	Gary Dean (2012)

Fence Viewers Richard Caram	Limited Health Agents Susan Hazen, Town Clerk (2011)
	Barbara DiMento (2011)
Fire Station Committee	David W. Roberts (2011)
Robert Snow, Sel. Rep	
James Broderick, Fire Chief	Limited Lighting Bylaw Enforcement Agent
James Szymanski, Res. Rep. (2011)	Frank Marchegiani
Janet Bridges, Fin Com Rep (2011)	
Richard Gagnon, RVFPA Rep (2011)	
Tom Marsh, Assoc Res Rep (2011)	Local Census Liaison for Federal Census
Sean Malone, Assoc Res Rep (2011)	Susan Hazen, Town Clerk
Forest Fire Warden & Superintendent of the Fire Alarm	Local Emergency Planning Commission
James C. Broderick, Chief (2011)	James Broderick, Fire Chief (2011)
Mark Emery, Assistant (2011)	Robert Barker, Police Chief (2011)
	Scott Leavitt, Highway Dept. (2011)
Harbormaster	Linda Soucy Light Dept.(2011)
William DiMento (2011)	Frank Marchegiani Bd of Health(2011)
Fred Hardy, Assistant (2011)	Mary Ellen Mighill COA (2011)
David S. Kent, Assistant (2011)	Deborah Eagan, Town Admin. (2011)
William Jerome, Assistant (2010)	Brent Baeslack, Cons. Agent (2011)
Frank Price, Assistant (2011)	Robert Merry, Bd. of Sel. (2011)
	David Petersen, Bd. of Sel. (2010)
Hazardous Material Coordinator	Roger Merry (2011)
Timothy Toomey (2011)	
Historic District Commission/ Historical Commission	MBTA Advisory Board
Sara Bourque (2011)	Robert Snow (2011)
Richard Cummings	
Michael Harney (2011)	Merrimac Valley Planning Commission Representative
Nathaniel Dummer (2013)	Robert Snow (2011)
Sally Swartz (2011)	
Jim Mailhoit (2010)	Mooring Clerk
Frank Todd (2011)	Susan Hazen, Town Clerk (2011)
	Barbara DiMento (2011)
Library Director	
Pamela Jacobson (2011)	

Open Space Committee	Oil Spill Response Team
Lane Bourne (2012)	
Jane Thomassen (2012)	Robert Barker, Police Chief (2011)
Alan Roscoe (2012)	James C. Broderick, Fire Chief (2011)
Robert Carpenter (2011)	Scott Leavitt, Highway Dept. (2011)
Sue Moses (2010)	William DiMento (2011)
	Brent Baeslack (2011)
Parks and Recreation Committee	Police Department
Michael Quinn (2011)	Robert Barker, Chief (2013)
Tim Southall (2012)	Joseph J. Gamache, Det. Lt. (2012)
Mary Ann Levasseur (2011) <i>res 12/10</i>	Dorothy M. Tobin, Adm. Asst./Mat (2012)
Michael Killion (2011)	
Kurt Annen (2011)	R. Perry Collins, Ptlm. FT (2012)
Glen Fougere (2011)	Thomas M. Hills, Ptml. FT (2012)
Kara McCormack (2012) <i>res 1/11</i>	Scott P. Hirtle, Ptlm. FT (2012)
John Tidmarsh (2011)	Stephen W. May, Sgt. FT (2012)
Lisa Paquette (2011)	David MacMullen, Ptlm. FT (2012)
	David P. Sedgwick, Sergeant. FT (2011)
	Richard A. Johnson, Ptlm. FT (2011)
	Robert J. Colby, Jr. Ptlm. Res. (2011)
	Jeffrey C. French, Ptlm. Res. (2011)
Parking Clerk	Dorothy M. Tobin, Ptlm. Res. (2011)
Susan Hazen, Town Clerk (2011)	Sheri A. David, FT Disp. (2012)
Barbara DiMento (2011)	Charles Hazen, Jr. Res. Ptlm. (2011)
	John J. Raffi, Ptlm. FT (2013)
	Pamela A. Lutes, FT Disp Matron (2012)
Personnel Board	Lynne M. Neary, FT Disp/Matron. 2011
Jack DiMento, Fin Com (2011)	Sheri A. David, Res. Ptlm. (2011)
Robert Snow, Bd of Sel. (2011)	Sheri A. David, Matron (2011)
Stuart Dalzell, Bd of Sel <i>res 2010</i>	Matthew Serratore, Res. Disp. (2011)
David Petersen (2011)	Thomas Lantych. Res. Ptlm. (2011)
	Matthew Ziev, FT Ptlm (2013)
	Charles Hazen, Jr. FT. Disp. (2012)
Plumbing and Gas Inspector	Nicholas T. Nielsen, Reg. Res. Disp. (2012)
David Leavitt (2012)	Robyn Hackler, Res. Disp/Matr (2011)
Richard Danforth (2012)	Martha Merrill, Res. Disp/Matron (2011)
	Brian Norris Res Disp (2011)
Police Chaplain	Jeffrey DeCosta, Res. Ptlm. (2011)
Robert M.J. Hagopian (2013)	Daniel Lee, Res. Ptlm. (2011)
	Brian Norris, Res. Ptlm (2011)

Keeper of the Rowley Police Station Lockup facility as required under MGL Ch. 40, Sec 35	Rowley Cultural Council
Robert Barker (2011)	Mary Murphy (2011)
	Mickie Atkinson-Drapeau (2010) <i>res</i>
	Jennette Loring (2011)
	Susan Chandler (2011)
	Heather Ferrara (2011)
Rowley Emergency Management Agency (REMA)	Kathy Sullivan (2011)
James Broderick, Director (2011)	
Scott Leavitt, Asst. Director (2011)	Rowley Municipal Lighting Plant
Robert Barker, Police Chief (2011)	Linda Soucy, Manager
Steven May (2011)	Town Administrator/Personnel Officer
Roger Merry (2011)	Deborah Eagan
Mary Ellen Mighill (2011)	
Robert Merry, Bd. Of Sel. (2011)	Town Clerk, Assistant
George Pacenka (2011)	Barbara R. DiMento (2011)
	Town Counsel
	Gary Brackett, Brackett & Lucas (2011)
Sandy Point Committee Member	
William DiMento (2011)	Veteran's Agent
John Manning (2011)	Terry Hart, Ipswich
	Water Department Superintendent
Sanitary Health Agent	John Rezza
Edward Gallagher	
	Whittier School Committee
Shellfish Constable	David Irving (2013)
Jack Grundstrom (2011)	
	Wiring Inspector
	David Levesque (2012)
Shellfish Constable (Deputies)	G. Robert Merry, Alt (2012) <i>res. 2010</i>
Stuart Dalzell, Jr. (2011)	Frederick Gallagher , Alternate (2011)
William DiMento (2011)	
John H. Grundstrom (2011)	Wood, Lumber and Bark Surveyor
Fred Hardy (2011)	Floyd Maker, Jr. (2011)
David S. Kent (2011)	
Charles Hazen (2011)	Zoning Administrator
	Ken Ward (2011)
	David Lovering (2010)

Administrative Employees of the Town of Rowley

Assistant Accountant

Amy Lydon

Assessors'

Administrative Assistant

Karen Milo

Council on Aging

Administrative Assistant

Carolyn Peabody

Activities Director/Trip

Coordinator

Denise Gilman

Assistant Health Agent

Wendelyn Hansbury

Inspection Department /Board of Appeals

Administrative Assistant

Katrina O'Leary

IS Coordinators

Susan Bailey

Jacqueline Vigeant

Planning Board

Administrative Assistant

Maryann Tuxbury

Selectmen

Administrative Assistant

Anita Atkinson-Drapeau

Louise Mehaffey

Selectmen

Executive Secretary

Doreen Glowik

Assistant Treasurer/Collector

Office Supervisor

Laura Hamilton

Treasurer/Collector

Administrative Assistant

Karen Summit

Water Department

Administrative Assistant

Marie Grover

Town of Rowley, Commonwealth of Massachusetts
WARRANT AND MINUTES FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
May 3, 2010

Opening Procedures observed for Special Town Meeting remain in place for Annual Town Meeting.

May 3, 2010 Town of Rowley Annual Town Meeting Called to Order at 8:31 pm

PRESENTATION: David C. Petersen, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen made a presentation to Nathaniel N. Dummer of the Zoning Board of Appeals on behalf of the Board and the Town for 50 years worth of meritorious service on that board. Mr. Dummer was appointed to the newly established Board of Appeals on April 4, 1960 and continues to serve as an Associate Member. There was standing ovation in gratitude of Mr. Dummer's many years of dedication.

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I move to suspend further reading of the May 3, 2010 Annual Town Meeting Warrant because present Town Meeting members have a copy of this warrant.

Motion by David C. Petersen, seconded by Robert L. Snow, passed voice unanimous at 8:32 pm.

Essex, ss.

To the Constables in the Town of Rowley in the County of Essex, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Rowley, qualified to vote in elections and Town Affairs, to meet in the Pine Grove School, Route 1A, on Monday, the 3rd day of May, 2010 at 7:30 p.m., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To hear and act on reports of Committees and Boards.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 2: To see what instructions the Town will give Town Officers.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 3: Move the Town vote to suspend in the Town Meeting the application of Section 19 and Section 20 of the Town Meeting Bylaw pertaining to the reconsideration of all money articles, such suspension intended for the specific purpose to balance the total level of funds raised and appropriated within the limitations of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59 Section 21C [Proposition 2-1/2, so-called] and to give blanket warning hereby that any money article may, at the end of the meeting and after all articles have been acted upon, be moved for reconsideration in order to balance the total level of funds raised and appropriated within the limitations of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59 Section 21C.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

MOTION: I move to allow the following non- resident individuals permission to speak, if called upon, during the May 3, 2010 Annual Town Meeting: Judith Pickett, Town Counsel; Deborah Eagan, Town Administrator; Brent Baeslak, Conservation Agent; Frank Marchegiani, Coordinator of Health Service; James Broderick, Fire Chief; Pamela Jacobson, Library Director; John Rezza, Water Superintendent; Barbara Cook, Weston & Sampson; Blake Martin, Weston& Sampson; David Russell, Russell Consulting Services, Sandra Halloran, TRSD Superintendent; William DeRosa, Whittier Voc-Technical School Superintendent; Kevin Mahoney, Whittier Voc-Technical School Business Manager.

Motion by David C. Petersen, seconded by Robert L. Snow, passed voice unanimous at 8:33 pm

ARTICLE 4: Move the Town vote to fix the annual compensation of elective officers of the Town as required by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41 Section 108 as follows.

Elective Officer	Requested	Finance Committee Recommends
Moderator	\$100	\$100
Board of Selectmen (each member)	\$2,231	\$2,231
Board of Assessors (each member)	\$2,456	\$2,456
Town Treasurer/Collector of Taxes	\$72,459	\$72,459
Town Clerk	\$38,576	\$38,576
Planning Board (each member)	\$0	\$0
Tree Warden	\$7,215	\$7,215
Surveyor of Highways	\$69,126	\$69,126
Municipal Water Board (each member)	\$0	\$0
Trustees of Free Public Library	\$0	\$0
Rowley Housing Authority	\$0	\$0
Municipal Light Board (each member)	\$0	\$0

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Motion by Richard M. Cummings, seconded by Stuart L. Dalzell, Sr., passed voice unanimous at 8:47 pm

ARTICLE 5: General Omnibus Budget. Move the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$12,614.165 and transfer and appropriate the sum of \$462,577 from Free Cash, and transfer and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for Overlay Reserve, for a total of \$13,086,742 to defray the expense of the Town for the forthcoming fiscal year, including Bonds, Notes and Interest.

Inserted by the Finance Committee

Finance Committee Recommends

Motion by John R. DiMento, seconded by Susan W. Bailey, passed voice unanimous at 9:06 pm

Note: Entire Omnibus budget read aloud, line by line – no HOLDS placed on any lines.

Line Item	Expended	Appropriated	Requested	Fin Com
Description	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	Rec.
General Government				
Town Moderator				
1 Moderator Stipend	100	100	100	100
Board of Selectmen				
2 Selectmen Stipends	11,155	11,155	11,155	11,155
3 Town Administrator/Pers. Off. Salary	77,208	77,996	79,131	79,131
4 Executive Secretary Salary	0	43,848	44,924	44,924
5 Administrative Assistant Wages	27,515	18,888	19,171	19,171
6 CPA Administrator Stipend	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
7 Expenses	13,465	21,317	14,117	14,117
8 Rev. 9-1-1 communication system			6,000	6,000
9 Copier/Fax Expenses	6,715	7,385	7,385	7,385
10 General Audit Expense	12,500	12,500	12,500	12,500
11 Sealer of Weights & Measurers Exp	2,500	3,000	3,000	3,000
Finance Committee				
12 Secretary Wages	253	1,404	1,425	1,425
13 Expenses	173	379	379	379
14 Reserve Fund	0	38,300	50,000	50,000
Town Accountant				
15 Accountant Salary	46,286	48,522	49,313	49,313
16 Asst. Accountant Wages	14,831	14,860	15,183	15,183
17 Expenses	4,430	4,659	4,659	4,659
Board of Assessors				
18 Assessors Stipends	7,368	7,368	7,368	7,368
19 Principal Assessor Salary	71,772	72,551	73,486	73,486
20 Administrative Assistant Wages	17,671	21,522	21,831	21,831
21 Consultant	0	1,000	1,000	1,000
22 Professional Services	10,620	11,505	11,505	11,505
23 Expenses	4,422	6,055	6,055	6,055
Treasurer/Tax Collector				
24 Treasurer/Collector Salary	70,700	71,400	72,459	72,459

25	Assistant Treasurer Salary	46,416	46,896	47,586	47,586
26	Administrative Assistant Wages	30,685	31,904	28,749	28,749
27	Expenses	30,405	31,943	31,943	31,943
Line Item	Description		Appropriated	Requested	Fin Com
		FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	Rec.
28	Tax Title	5,937	13,517	10,517	10,517
29	Debt Fees & Charges	3,321	5,000	5,000	5,000
	Town Counsel				
30	Professional Fee	21,514	52,600	52,600	52,600
31	Litigation	4,046	62,000	62,000	62,000
	Personnel Board				
32	Expenses	0	399	399	399
	IS Department				
33	Consultant Services	20,237	14,931	14,931	14,931
34	Expenses	4,732	4,491	4,491	4,491
	Town Clerk				
35	Town Clerk Salary	37,633	38,006	38,576	38,576
36	Asst. Town Clerk Wages	2,197	3,250	3,299	3,299
37	Expenses	3,651	3,850	3,875	3,875
	Elections				
38	Wages	2,992	3,600	3,553	3,553
39	Expenses	5,584	6,000	9,125	9,125
	Registrar of Voters				
40	Stipends	2,250	2,250	2,250	2,250
41	Expenses	2,593	2,900	2,950	2,950
	Conservation Commission				
42	Conservation Agent Salary	44,416	45,086	45,751	45,751
43	Expenses	1,622	1,622	1,622	1,622
	Planning Board				
44	Planning Admin. Assistant Wages	22,637	29,609	21,390	21,390
45	Planner Consultant	6,091	9,026	9,026	9,026
46	Mk Val. Pl. Com.	1,800	1,814	1,814	1,814
47	Expenses	2,897	2,970	2,970	2,970
	Zoning Board of Appeals				
48	Secretary Wages			7,670	7,670
49	Expenses	789	1,680	1,680	1,680
	Agricultural Commission				
50	Expenses	0	500	500	500
	Town Hall				
51	Town Hall/Annex Janitor Wages	11,092	12,620	13,027	13,027
52	Expenses	14,038	14,318	14,318	14,318
	Town Hall Annex				
53	Expenses	12,938	14,318	14,318	14,318
	Town Report				
54	Printing & Distribution	3,796	0	0	0
Line Item		Expended	Appropriated	Requested	Fin Com
	Description	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	Rec.
	General Government Subtotal	747,993	954,814	970,076	970,076
	Public Safety				
	Police Department				
55	Police Chief Salary & Other Earnings	129,599	136,250	109,765	109,765
56	Deputy Chief Salary & Other Earnings	91,629	97,545	0	0
57	Wages	1,029,122	1,009,622	1,034,094	1,034,094
58	Expenses	116,113	120,000	141,332	141,332
59	Police Cruiser	0	30,500	30,500	30,500
60	Police Modular Bldg. Lease	30,312	25,052	25,052	25,052
	Constables				
61	Expenses	450	400	400	400
	Fire Department				
62	Fire Chief Salary	70,941	71,652	72,714	72,714
63	Firefighter Wages	122,536	129,478	134,166	134,166
64	Call Firefighter Wages		80,000	80,000	80,000
65	Expenses	12,490	117,093	117,093	117,093
66	Station & Equipment Lease			20,000	20,000
67	RVFPA Fire Protection Services	179,477	0	0	0
	Ambulance Service				
68	Service Contract	30,000	0	0	0

	Inspection Department				
69	Salaries	59,118	50,500	51,177	51,177
70	Wages	2,936	7,901	11,719	11,719
71	Expenses	7,289	5,065	5,065	5,065
	Emergency Management Services				
72	REMA Director Stipend	0	3,000	3,000	3,000
73	Expenses	1,915	2,187	2,187	2,187
	Animal Inspector				
74	Salary	2,479	2,505	2,542	2,542
75	Expenses	35	200	200	200
76	Rabid Animal Control	539	1,853	1,853	1,853
	Animal Control Officer				
77	Salary	9,806	9,929	13,000	13,000
78	Expenses	1,070	1,970	1,622	1,622
	Tree Warden/Moth Ctrl.				
79	Salary	7,039	7,109	7,215	7,215
80	Expenses	9,167	8,193	8,193	8,193
	Harbormaster				
81	Salary	5,685	5,742	5,828	5,828
82	Wages	4,794	4,942	5,016	5,016
Line Item		Expended	Appropriated	Requested	Fin Com
Description		FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	Rec.
83	Pumpout Boat Wages	1,692	1709	1,735	1,735
84	Expenses	3,947	4,000	4,000	4,000
85	Town Landing	0	0	500	500
	Shellfish Commission				
86	Commission Salaries	1,495	1,495	1,540	1,540
87	Commission Expenses	537	563	563	563
	Shellfish Constable				
88	Constable Salary	243	243	250	250
89	Constable Expenses	563	563	563	563
	Public Safety Subtotal	1,933,018	1,937,261	1,892,884	1,892,884
	Schools				
90	Whittier Voc Assessment	228,298	248,864	227,061	227,061
91	Triton Reg. Assessment	7,146,439	7,027,052	7,220,827	7,220,827
92	Triton Cap. Assessment	156,277	281,358	262,789	262,789
	Schools Subtotal	7,531,014	7,557,274	7,710,677	7,710,677
	Public Works				
	Highway Department				
93	Surveyor's Salary	63,499	64,126	69,126	69,126
94	Wages	118,048	131,982	130,505	130,505
95	Expenses	99,892	91,622	111,622	111,622
96	Highway Truck Lease	9,509	9,509	0	0
	Snow & Ice Removal				
97	Expenses	243,362	60,000	80,000	80,000
	Recycling				
98	Wages	3,035	3,750	3,800	3,800
99	Expenses	6,635	8,510	8,510	8,510
	Fire Hydrants				
100	Expenses	35,000	35,000	35,200	35,200
	Street Lighting				
101	Expenses	0	22,608	25,344	25,344
	Town Land Maintenance				
102	Expenses	8,478	7,461	8,661	8,661
	Cemetery Commission				
103	Wages	15,723	15,731	15,967	15,967
104	Expenses	1,945	1,947	1,947	1,947
	Public Works Subtotal	605,126	452,246	490,682	490,682
	Health & Human Services				
	Board of Health				
105	Coordinator of Hlth Svs Reg. Comp Salary	46,577	47,042	47,736	47,736
Line Item		Expended	Appropriated	Requested	Fin Com
Description		FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	Rec.
106	Sanitary Health Agent Wages	21,287	21,826	22,142	22,142
107	Adm. Asst./Asst. Inspector Wages	23,683	24,018	24,371	24,371
108	Public Health Nurse Stipend	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
109	Expenses	6,862	6,900	6,900	6,900

	Council on Aging				
110	Senior Director Salary	32,582	32,905	33,391	33,391
111	Wages	42,527	42,879	43,779	43,779
112	Elder Servs. Of Merrimack Valley	294	294	294	294
113	Expenses	11,870	12,974	13,366	13,366
	Veterans Affairs				
114	Veterans Benefits	12,883	11,844	11,844	11,844
115	Eastern Essex Vets. District	16,972	20,303	20,303	20,303
	Handicapped Commission				
116	Expenses	0	190	190	190
	Health & Human Services Subtotal	216,537	222,175	225,316	225,316
	Recreation & Historic				
	Rowley Public Library				
117	Library Director Salary	45,798	46,260	47,171	47,171
118	Wages	66,347	71,275	74,220	74,220
119	Expenses	79,422	84,035	85,262	85,262
	Recreation Committee				
120	Wages	0	3,562	7,676	7,676
121	Expenses	1,328	1,864	1,864	1,864
122	Field Maintenance	15,078	15,078	20,078	20,078
	Historical				
123	Commission Expenses	37	332	332	332
124	Historic District Comm. Expense	70	70	70	70
	Other				
125	Bay Circuit Committee	0	200	0	0
126	Memorial Day/Veterans Day	1,112	1,000	1,000	1,000
127	Bradstreet Property Expense	1,055	5,000	5,000	5,000
128	Former Library Building Expense	117	800	800	800
	Recreation & Historic Subtotal	210,364	229,476	243,473	243,473
	Debt				
129	School Building Principal	100,000	0	0	0
130	Landfill Capping Principal	35,000	35,000	35,000	35,000
131	New Well Land Principal	9,500	9,500	9,500	9,500
132	Library Principal	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000
133	Hunsley Hill Principal	55,000	55,000	55,000	55,000
134	Used Fire Ladder Truck Principal	20,000	13000	0	0
Line Item		Expended	Appropriated	Requested	Fin Com
Description		FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	Rec.
135	Highway Truck Principal	16,000	16,000	16,000	16,000
136	Bridge Repair Principal	0	0	0	0
137	Fire Truck Principal	0	90,000	90,000	90,000
138	Capital Equipment Principal	0	22,200	22,200	22,200
139	Capital Equipment Principal II	0	0	30,000	30,000
140	School Building Interest	2,250	0	0	0
141	Landfill Capping Interest	20,768	18,930	17,093	17,093
142	New Well Land Interest	6,161	5,662	5,164	5,164
143	Library Interest	53,528	49,928	46,215	46,215
144	Hunsley Hills Land Interest	29,962	27,762	25,493	25,493
145	Used Fire Ladder Truck Interest	1,181	475	0	0
146	Highway Truck Interest	2,000	1,200	400	400
147	Bridges Interest	10,471	72,000	72,000	72,000
148	Fire Truck Interest	0	18,000	17,640	17,640
159	Capital Equipment Interest	0	4,440	4,352	4,352
150	Capital Equipment Interest II	0	0	7,500	7,500
	Debt Subtotal	451,821	529,097	543,557	543,557
	Insurance				
151	Unemployment	497	12,000	12,000	12,000
152	Blanket Insurance	94,389	96,000	101,000	101,000
153	Essex Regional Retirement	444,274	500,943	521,416	521,416
154	Group Health/Life Ins. & FICA	316,272	361,038	375,662	375,662
	Insurance Subtotal	855,432	969,981	1,010,078	1,010,078
	GRAND TOTAL	12,551,305	12,852,324	13,086,743	13,086,743

ARTICLE 6: Water Department Budget. Move the Town transfer and appropriate the sum of **\$941,612** from the Water Department Enterprise Fund for FY 2011.

	<u>Description</u>	<u>Expended FY 2009</u>	<u>Appropriated FY 2010</u>	<u>Requested FY 2011</u>
	<u>Operating Service</u>			
148	Superintendent Salary	54,513	57,519	60,971
149	Water Department Wages	218,486	264,514	277,910
150	Maintenance & Expenses	334,576	340,100	340,100
	SUBTOTAL	607,575	662,133	678,981
	<u>Debt Service</u>			
153	Pingree Well Principal	50,500	50,500	50,500
154	Pingree Well Interest	32,487	29,836	27,185
155	New Water Building Principal	10,000	10,000	10,000
156	New Water Building Interest	6,485	5,960	5,436
157	Corrosion Control Principal	65,000	65,000	65,000
158	Corrosion Control Interest	10,872	8,272	5,590
159	Loader, SCADA, Motor/Surge, Well #3 Redevelopment Principal	35,000	0	0
160	Loader, SCADA, Motor/Surge, Well #3 Redevelopment Interest	700	0	0
161	Water Garage Rehabilitation Principal	0	20,000	20,000
162	Water Garage Rehabilitation Interest	0	10,000	3,920
	Water Treatment Plant Design Principal	0	0	30,000
	Water Treatment Plant Design Interest	0	0	45,000
	SUBTOTAL	211,044	199,568	262,631
	TOTAL	818,617	861,701	941,612
	Plus Article 7 - Indirect Costs	65,626	88,886	91,615
	GRAND TOTAL	884,605	950,587	1,033,226

Inserted by Board of Water Commissioners

Finance Committee Recommends

Board of Selectmen Recommends

Motion by Timothy A. Toomey, seconded by Roy Ricker, Sr., passed voice unanimous at 9:09pm

ARTICLE 7: Move the Town vote to transfer from the Water Department Enterprise Fund to the General Fund the sum of **\$91,615** for the following items and that any other moneys spent by the General Government on behalf of the Water Department be reimbursed to the General Fund from the Water Department Enterprise Fund in Fiscal Year 2011.

<u>Line Item</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Actual Transferred FY 2009</u>	<u>Anticipated Transferred FY 2010</u>	<u>Requested FY 2011</u>
163	County Retirement	33,502	30,226	30,226
164	Employee Health Insurance	17,238	43,587	45,558
165	Life Insurance Premiums	133	512	512
166	Accountant's Fee	3,090	3,090	3,090

167	Treasurer/Collector's Fee	6,458	6,458	6,458
168	Audit	1,650	1,650	1,650
169	Medicare	3,555	3,363	4,121
	TOTAL	65,626	88,886	91,615

Inserted by Board of Water Commissioners

Finance Committee Recommends

Board of Selectmen Recommends

Motion by Timothy A. Toomey, seconded by Roy Ricker, Sr., passed voice unanimous at 9:11 pm

FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES

	<u>Actual FY 2009</u>	<u>Estimated FY 2010</u>	<u>Estimated FY 2011</u>
<u>Operating Revenue</u>			
Water Bills	840,157	870,916	949,939
Permits	24,000	19,904	25,000
Merchandising & Jobbing	7,115	19,767	17,287
Special Services	13,506	5,000	6,000
Hydrant Rentals	35,000	35,000	35,000
Subtotal	919,778	950,587	1,033,226
STARTING BALANCE	132,048	115,582	2,582
REVENUE	919,778	950,587	1,033,226
EXPENSE	(884,243)	(950,587)	(1,033,226)
ARTICLES	(52,000)	(113,000)	0
ANNUAL EXCESS/DEFICIT	(16,465)	(113,000)	0
AVAILABLE BALANCE	115,582	2,582	2,582

ARTICLE 8: Move the Town vote to appropriate the income from sales of electricity to private consumers or for electricity supplied to municipal buildings, municipal street lighting or for municipal power and from sales of appliances and jobbing during the current fiscal year to the Municipal Lighting Plant, the whole to be expended by the manager of the municipal lighting plant under the direction and control of the municipal light board for the expense of the plant for said fiscal year, as defined in Section 57 of Chapter 164 of the General Laws, upon condition that, if said income shall exceed said expense for said fiscal year, such excess shall be transferred to the construction fund of said plant and appropriated and used for such additions thereto as may thereafter be authorized by the municipal light board.

Inserted by the Municipal Light Board

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 9: Move the Town vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$3,500 from the Municipal Waterways Maintenance and Improvement Fund to an account for use by the Harbormaster in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40 Section 5G.

Inserted by the Harbormaster

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 10: Move the Town vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to the Cemetery Commission from the Perpetual Care Trust Interest Account to be used for the care of graves in the Town Cemetery.

Inserted by the Cemetery Commissioners

Finance Committee Recommends

ARTICLE 11: Move the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000 to be added to Article 30 of the May 6, 1996 Annual Town Meeting (Recertification Fund) for the purpose of completing the State mandated triennial recertification of all properties within the Town of Rowley, said fund to be expended by the Board of Assessors.

Inserted by the Board of Assessors

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: Articles 8– 11 are standard annual articles. These articles will be voted under one consent motion.

Motion by David C. Petersen, seconded by Robert L. Snow, passed voice unanimous at 9:13 pm

ARTICLE 12: Move the Town vote pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 Section 53-E1/2, to authorize the following revolving funds and their uses for Fiscal Year 2011:

	Name of Account	Expenditure Cap
1	Council on Aging - into which receipts from rental of the Council's van shall be deposited and which may be used by said Council for payment of wages, expenses and maintenance of said van. [Beginning balance - \$561; Income - \$1,205; Expense - \$1,354; Ending balance on 3/31/10 - \$412]	Expenditures not to exceed \$5,000.
2	Board of Health - into which one-half (1/2) of the septic disposal construction fees charged by said Board of Health shall be deposited and which may be used by said Board or its agents to finance special waste disposal and technical expertise beyond the health agent's scope of responsibility. [Beginning balance - \$10,379; Income - \$7,464; Expense - \$10,392; Ending balance on 3/31/10 - \$7,451]	Expenditures not to exceed \$20,000.
3	Parks & Recreation Committee and Board of Selectmen - into which receipts from donations, advertising and rental of the Parks & Recreation Committee's facilities shall be deposited and which may be used by said Committee and Board to pay for the management and operations of improvements and maintenance of said facilities. [Beginning balance - \$9,645; Income - \$10,160; Expense - \$6,577; Ending balance on 3/31/10 - \$13,228]	Expenditures not to exceed \$30,000.
4	Board of Selectmen - into which revenue collected from the sale of Home Composting bins shall be used to purchase additional compost bins and to advertise the availability of such bins. [Beginning balance - \$223; Income - \$103; Expense - \$5; Ending balance on 3/31/10 - \$321]	Expenditures not to exceed \$2,000.
5	Highway Department – into which receipts from the rental of Highway Department equipment may be used by said Department for the purchase, repair and maintenance of Department equipment. [Beginning balance - \$0; Income - \$3,499; Expense - \$1,716; Ending balance on 3/31/10 - \$1,783]	Expenditures not to exceed \$12,000.
6	Shellfish Department – into which receipts from one-half (1/2) of the shellfish permits sold shall be deposited and used by the Shellfish Department for the propagation of shellfish. [Beginning balance - \$12,755; Income - \$2,930; Expense - \$3,486; Ending balance on 3/31/10 - \$12,199]	Expenditures not to exceed \$6,000.
7	Zoning Board of Appeals and Board of Appeals – into which all receipts from filing and associated application fees shall be deposited, and may be used by said Boards to defray Commonwealth of Massachusetts mandated expenses related to said Board's hearings and meetings, and professional assistance or engineering, legal and other case related items. [Beginning balance - \$4,859; Income - \$750; Expense - \$1,135; Ending balance on 3/31/10 - \$4,474]	Expenditures not to exceed \$4,000.
8	Board of Cemetery Commissioners – into which one-half (1/2) of cemetery plot grave digging and footings installation fees shall be deposited and which may be used by said Board of Cemetery Commissioners for Cemetery Department operations. [Beginning balance - \$5,178; Income - \$4,417; Expense - \$1,258; Ending balance on 3/31/10 - \$8,337]	Expenditures not to exceed \$5,000.

<p>Library – into which receipts from Library services, such as photocopying, faxes and laser printing from public computer stations shall be deposited and which may be used by said Library to purchase supplies related to these services and services contracts for the maintenance of said office equipment. [Beginning balance - \$583; Income - \$784; Expense - \$734; Ending balance on 3/31/10 - \$633]</p>	<p>Expenditures not to exceed \$2,500.</p>
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Inserted by the Council on Aging, Board of Health, Parks & Recreation Committee, Board of Selectmen, Highway Department, Shellfish Department, Zoning Board of Appeals and Board of Appeals, Board of Cemetery Commissioners, and Board of Library Trustees

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: The above article consolidates nine standard revolving fund annual renewal authorizations.

Article 12 will be taken up and voted under one consent motion.

Motion by Stuart L. Dalzell, Sr., seconded by Richard M. Cummings, passed voice unanimous at 9:14 pm

ARTICLE 13: Move the Town vote pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 Section 53-E1/2 to authorize the use of a revolving fund by the Board of Selectmen and the Parks and Recreation Committee for fiscal year 2011 into which donations and fees charged for recreational programs and community events shall be deposited and which may be used by said Board of Selectmen and Parks and Recreation Committee to pay for the expenses incurred to hold such community events and recreational programs, such expenditures not to exceed \$5,000 .

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: Passage of this article establishes a revolving fund for the Board of Selectmen and the Parks and Recreation Committee for community events, such as the Fourth of July and other special recreational programs. It is the intent of the Board of Selectmen to discontinue the Summer Camp Revolving Fund and to transfer the balance of those funds to this new revolving fund. See article 14 below.

Motion by Robert L. Snow, seconded by David C. Petersen, passed voice unanimous at 9:17 pm

ARTICLE 14: Move the Town vote to dissolve the Parks & Recreation Committee and Board of Selectmen Summer Program revolving fund, which was authorized pursuant to the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44 Section 53-E1/2 at the May 18, 2009 Annual Town Meeting and to transfer the balance of the funds which is \$2,690.06 to the Board of Selectmen and Parks and Recreation Committee Community Events and Recreational Programs Revolving fund.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: Passage of Article 13 is required prior to voting on this article. This revolving fund is obsolete because the Triton Regional School District sponsors the summer program for Rowley children. The Board of Selectmen and the Parks and Recreation Committee are actively working to hold a variety of community events and recreational programs for residents. The balance of this account is \$2,690.06. These funds will be transferred to the newly created revolving fund and be used as "seed money" to cover the costs of events and programs, such as the Fourth of July program.

Motion by Robert L. Snow, seconded by David C. Petersen, passed voice unanimous at 9:49 pm

ARTICLE 15: Move the Town vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$23,787 from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust Septic Betterment Loan Program to pay the debt service on the Town's loan from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust.

Inserted by the Board of Health

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: The Town has received \$500,000 from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust Septic Loan funds for taxpayer's repair and/or upgrade of failed septic systems. This appropriation is to pay the debt on the Town's loans from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust.

Motion by Charles Costello, seconded by Marcia L. Farina, passed voice unanimous at 9:20 pm

ARTICLE 16: Move the Town vote to accept the conditions of the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust Community Septic Management program and appropriate the sum of seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000) for the purpose of financing the following water pollution abatement facility projects: repair, replacement and /or upgrade of failed septic systems, pursuant to agreements with the Board of Health and residential property owners, including without limitation all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the

General Laws; to meet this appropriation to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow \$750,000 and issue Bonds or notes therefore under M.G.L. Chapter 111, Chapter 127-B1/2, and/or Chapter 29C; that project and financing cost shall be repaid by the property owners, in accordance with those agreements, but such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the Town; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow all or a portion or such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the projects or for the financing thereof, and that the Board of Selectmen, Board of Health or other appropriate local body or official is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the projects and to take any other action necessary to carry out the projects.

Inserted by the Board of Health

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: The Board of Health continues to support the environmental efforts of town residences with low interest septic betterment loans from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust. The community recovers the costs by annual betterment on those individual residence's property tax bills that benefit from the improvement. Passage of this article would make additional low interest loans available to town residential property owners with no impact on the tax rate. Passage requires a two-thirds vote.

Motion by Charles Costello, seconded by Marcia L. Farina, passed vice unanimous at 9:23 pm

ARTICLE 17: Move the Town of Rowley vote to approve the debt authorized by the Whittier Regional Vocation Technical High School District on March 10, 1020 in the amount of Three Million, Two-Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand, Six Hundred Twenty-Seven (\$3,294,627) Dollars for a roof repair project for the Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School, located at 115 Amesbury Line Road, Haverhill, MA 01830, which proposed repair project would materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational program, said sum to be expended under the direction of the Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School Building Committee, and to meet said appropriation, the Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School District is authorized to borrow said sum under MGL Chapter 44, MGL Chapter 71, Section 16(d), or any other enabling authority; that the Town of Rowley acknowledges that the Massachusetts School Building Authority's (MSBA) grant program is a non – entitlement, discretionary program based on need as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the District incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the District and assessed annually during the term of the outstanding debt to the Town of Rowley pursuant to its Regional Agreement; provided further that any grant that the District may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) 66.18 percent of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount as determined by the MSBA.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: The Whittier Regional Vocational Technical School district voted unanimously to authorize debt in the amount of \$3,294,627 to be used for the replacement of the Whittier Technical High's school roof. The roof is original to the building and is over 35 years old. The Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) has approved 66.18 percent or \$2,120,728 of the project. The balance of the project will be paid for out of the Whittier Vocational Technical School's Capital Roof Replacement Reserve Account.

*The MSBA requires that the Whittier Vocation Technical School District obtain authorization to borrow for the entire project cost from the member communities. No Town funds are being requested for this project.
Motion by Stuart L. Dalzell, Sr., seconded by Richard M. Cummings, passed voice unanimous at 9:28 pm*

ARTICLE 18: Move the Town vote to appropriate or reserve from the Community Preservation Fund Fiscal Year 2011 annual revenues the amounts recommended by Community Preservation Committee for committee administrative expenses, debt service, community preservation projects and other expenses, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation:

Summary of recommendations by Category:

Reserve Creation and Support of Affordable Housing

10% \$ 15,032.00

Reserve Acquisition and Preservation of Open Space

10% \$ 15,032.00

Reserve Acquisition and Preservation of Historic Buildings and Landscapes

10% \$ 15,032.00

Appropriate Administration

5 % \$ 7,516.00

Appropriations:

Debt service for Pingree Farm land acquisition \$ 76,500.00

Debt service for Bradstreet Farm land acquisition \$ 199,072.00

Inserted by the Community Preservation Committee **Finance Committee Recommends**

Explanatory Note: Rowley expects to realize approximately \$425,890.08 in Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds from real estate tax receipts (\$322,644.00) and 32% matching funds from the state (\$103,246.08) in fiscal year 2011. The Community Preservation Act requires the Town to set aside 10% of funds collected after deducting appropriate debt service for each of the following areas: open space, historic preservation and community housing, equaling approximately \$15,032.00 for each area. Any unexpended administrative expenses will be returned to the general Undesignated Community Preservation fund. All funds realized above those reserved or appropriated will become general Undesignated CPA funds available for appropriation in Fiscal year 2011 or to be carried over to fiscal year 2012.

Motion by Richard M. Cummings, seconded by Stuart L. Dalzell, Sr., passed voice unanimous at 9:29 p

Moderator Warren G. Appell interrupted the meeting at this point to introduce State Senator Bruce Tarr who extended greetings to the Town Meeting participants from the State House.

ARTICLE 19: Move the Town vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Ch. 44B, to appropriate from the Community Preservation Fund Historic Resources Reserve and/or the Community Preservation Unreserved Account the sum of \$148,000 to be used by the Board of Selectmen for the restoration of the Town Hall Cupola and clock.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen and the Community Preservation Committee

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: The Community Preservation Committee has approved this article. The Town Hall cupola is deteriorating. A construction analysis of the cupola showed severe rotting and decay. The cupola needs a complete restoration. The Town Hall clock, which is housed in the cupola, has not been operable for many years. The Board of Selectmen intends to repair and restore the historical "Alden Kent" wooden works clock. Passage of this article allows the selectmen to restore these historically-significant features of the Town Hall building. The Historic District Commission and the Historical Commission support this restoration project.

Motion by Richard M. Cummings, seconded by Stuart L. Dalzell, Sr., passed voice unanimous at 9:33 pm

ARTICLE 20: Move the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$9,000,000.00 (nine million dollars) for the purpose of financing the design, planning and construction of transmission mains, system upgrades and a water treatment plant to treat water from Wells 3 and 5 including without limitation all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws, as amended; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow \$9.0 million and issue bonds or notes therefore under Chapter 44 of the General Laws and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws, as amended, or any other enabling authority; that such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the Town unless the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, determines that they should be issued as limited obligations and may be secured by local system revenues as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C, as amended; that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C, as amended; and in connection therewith to enter into a loan agreement and/or security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project or for the financing thereof; that the Board of Selectmen, Board of Water Commissioners or other appropriate local body or official is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary to carry out the project; provided that the authorized amount of the bonding shall be reduced by the amount of any state and/or federal grants received prior to the issuance of bonds or notes under this article.

Inserted by the Board of Water Commissioners

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: The Water Department has conducted a pilot testing program in accordance with the Department of Environmental Protection policy requirements. Passage of this article authorizes the funding for the design, planning and construction of a water treatment plant including transmission mains and system upgrades. Passage requires two-thirds vote.

Motion by Scott C. Martin, seconded by Roy Ricker, Sr., passed by Paper Ballot Vote (93YES to 24 NO) at 10:54 pm., following a lengthy presentation and Q&A by Engineering Firm Weston and Sampson.

ARTICLE 21: Move the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000 to be used by the Fire Chief for the replacement and future maintenance of the fire horn compressor at Town Hall, including removal costs associated with the old compressor.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen **Finance Committee Tie Vote – three yes and three no**

Explanatory Note: The fire horn has been inoperable for several months because the 1950s era- compressor needs to be replaced. The Fire Department uses radios and the Town's Reverse 9-1-1 communication system as the primary and secondary form of communication to the call firefighters. The activation of the horn for fire calls is no longer considered a primary or secondary form of communication for the call firefighting force. Many residents have expressed to the Board of Selectmen a desire to continue using the fire horn. If the article passes, a budget line will be created in FY 2012 to cover the annual maintenance costs for the compressor which is approximately \$2,000.

Motion by David C. Petersen, seconded by Robert L. Snow, passed by Hand Count Vote (63YES to 33NO) at 10:54 pm

ARTICLE 22: Move the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be used by the Board of Selectmen for non-pension post-employment benefits, such as retiree health insurance premiums.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: The General Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement #45 recommends that cities and towns begin saving now to cover the future costs of retiree health insurance premiums. Passage of this article allows the Board of Selectmen to make the first step in saving money for this expense. This article earmarks a portion of the Fiscal 2011 budget for this future unfunded liability. The Board of Selectmen plans to add funds to this article on an annual basis.

Motion by David C. Petersen, seconded by Robert L. Snow, passed voice unanimous at 10:55 pm

ARTICLE 23: Move the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 for the Stabilization Fund.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Passage requires two-thirds vote.

Motion by Robert L. Snow, seconded by David C. Petersen, passed voice unanimous at 10:57 pm

ARTICLE 24: And to meet in Saint Mary's Church (rear), Route 1A, in said Rowley on Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at 12 NOON to act on the following:

Two Selectman	three years
One Moderator	one year
One Constable	three years
One Board of Assessors Member	three years
One Planning Board Member	five years
One Rowley Housing Authority Member	five years
One Municipal Light Board Member	three years
One Municipal Water Board Member	three years
One Shellfish Commissioner	three years
One Cemetery Commissioner	three years
Three Trustees for Public Library	three year terms
One Trustee for Public Library	two year unexpired
For Regional School District Committee	
One Newbury Member	three years
One Rowley Member	three years
One Salisbury Member	three years
One Salisbury Member	two year unexpired

MOTION: I move the Town vote to adjourn the May 3, 201 Annual Town Meeting.

Motion by Richard M. Cummings, seconded by David C. Petersen, passed voice unanimous at 10:58 pm

And you are hereby instructed to serve this warrant by posting copies thereof in at least seven public places in Town not less than fourteen days before the day fixed for such meeting, as directed by the laws of the Town and to make due return of the Warrant to the Town Clerk at least two days before said meeting. Given under our hands this 12th day of April in the year two thousand ten.

*David C. Petersen, Chairman
Robert Snow, Vice Chairman
Richard M. Cummings, Clerk
Jack L. Cook
Stuart L. Dalzell, Sr.*

I have served this Warrant by posting in at least seven public places in the Town not less than fourteen days before the day fixed for such meeting and have made the return of the Warrant to the Town Clerk at least two days before the time of said meeting.

Notices posted at Town Hall, Rowley Pharmacy, Inc., Public Library, Knowles Filling Station, Market Basket, Town Hall Annex, First National Bank of Ipswich/Rowley Office.

Nathaniel N. Dummer, Constable of Rowley April 16, 2010

***Certification:** I, Susan G. Hazen, duly elected and qualified Town Clerk of the Town of Rowley do hereby certify that the statements contained above with regard to the May 3, 2010 Town of Rowley Annual Town Meeting are true and accurate according to documents maintained by this office.*

*Susan G. Hazen, Town Clerk
Town of Rowley May 13, 2010*

Town of Rowley, Commonwealth of Massachusetts
WARRANT AND MINUTES FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
May 3, 2010

Tellers appointed: Marge Thurston, 237 Main St., Sandra Jarvah, 28 Central St;
Karen Summit, 118 Central St., and Anne M. Hagopian, 179 Main St.
Invocation lead by Rev. Robert Hagopian of the First Congregational Church of Rowley
Pledge of Allegiance lead by Board of Selectman Chairman, David C. Peterson
Quorum certified by the Board of Registrars and Special Town Meeting Called to order at 7:46 pm

Essex, ss.

To the Constables in the Town of Rowley in the County of Essex, Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Rowley, qualified to vote in elections and Town Affairs, to meet in the Pine Grove School, Route 1A, on Monday, the 3rd day of May, 2010 at 7:30 p.m., then and there to act on the following articles:

MOTION: Mr. Moderator, I Move to suspend further reading of the May 3, 2010 Special Town Meeting Warrant because present Town Meeting Members have a copy of this warrant.

Motion by David C. Petersen, seconded by Robert L. Snow, passed voice unanimous at 7:46 pm.

ARTICLE 1: To hear and act on reports of Committees and Boards.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 2: To see what instructions the Town will give Town Officers.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE 3: Move the Town vote to suspend in the Town Meeting the application of Section 19 and Section 20 of the Town Meeting Bylaw pertaining to the reconsideration of all money articles, such suspension intended for the specific purpose to balance the total level of funds raised and appropriated within the limitations of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59 Section 21C [Proposition 2-1/2, so-called] and to give blanket warning hereby that any money article may, at the end of the meeting and after all articles have been acted upon, be moved for reconsideration in order to balance the total level of funds raised and appropriated within the limitations of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59 Section 21C.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Motion by Robert L. Snow, seconded by David C. Petersen, passed voice unanimous at 7:47pm

MOTION: I move to allow the following non-resident individuals permission to speak, if called upon during the May 3, 2010 Special Town Meeting: Judith Pickett, Town Counsel; Deborah Eagan, Town Administrator;

Brent Baeslak, Conservation Agent; Frank Marchegiani, Coordinator of Health Services; James Broderick, Fire Chief; Pamela Jacobson, Library Director and John Rezza, Water Superintendent.

Motion by David C. Petersen, seconded by Robert L. Snow, passed voice unanimous at 7:48 pm

ARTICLE 4: Move the Town vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 from Line 29 (Town Counsel Litigation) of Article 5 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 18, 2009 to be added to Line 7 (Selectmen's Expense) of Article 5 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 18, 2009 to pay for the expenses incurred to hold this Special Town Meeting, for a total appropriation of \$24,317 .

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Motion by Stuart L. Dalzell, Sr., seconded by Richard M. Cummings, passed voice unanimous at 7:49 pm

ARTICLE 5: Move the Town vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$33,569 from the Stabilization Fund to the following Fiscal Year 2010 budget lines of Article 5 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 18, 2009:

1. Fire Department

- Line 60 Firefighter Wages - \$505
- Line 61 Call Firefighter Wages - \$5,439
- Line 62 Fire Department Expenses - \$2,489

2. Highway Department

- Line 91 Highway Department Wages - \$4,179
- Line 92 Highway Department Expenses - \$9,181

3. Police Department

- Line 54 Police Department Wages - \$10,500
- Line 55 Police Department Expenses - \$682

4. Shellfish Department

- Line 81 Commission Salaries - \$160
- Line 82 Commission Expenses - \$434

to cover budget shortfalls resulting from late winter and early spring storms and staffing shortfalls.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Passage requires two-thirds vote.

Motion by David C. Petersen, seconded Robert L. Snow, passed voice unanimous at 7:53 pm.

ARTICLE 6: Move the Town vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$3,000 from Line 144 (Unemployment) of Article 5 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 18, 2009 to Line 65 (Inspection Department Salaries) to pay for benefits not previously provided to the plumbing and gas inspector.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: The Board of Selectmen has discovered that the present plumbing and gas inspector was not receiving paid holidays, a benefit provided to full-time and part-time employees who work a regular weekly schedule. Passage of this article corrects this situation.

Motion by Robert L. Snow, seconded by David C. Petersen, passed voice unanimous at 7:54

ARTICLE 7: Move the Town vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 from the Line 29 (Litigation) of Article of the Annual Town Meeting of May 18, 2009 to be used by the Harbormaster to clean and improve the town landing area at the Rowley River.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: The Town does not have any funds ear-marked for the maintenance of the Town Landing area at the Rowley River. Passage of this article is the first-step in setting aside funds to clean and improve the Town Landing area. Going forward, the Board of Selectmen has created a line in the FY 11 budget appropriating \$500 so that the Town can continue to maintain this pristine water front area for all to enjoy.

Motion by Stuart L. Dalzell, Sr., seconded by Richard M. Cummings, passed voice unanimous at 7:55 pm.

ARTICLE 8: Move the Town vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$5,050 from Line 29 (Litigation) of Article 5 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 18, 2009 of which \$4,050 is to be added to Line 142 (Fire Truck Interest) and \$1,000 is to be added to Line 143 (Capital Equipment Interest) of Article 5 of the Annual Town Meeting of May 18, 2009 to cover budget shortfalls.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: Interest payments for the fire truck and the capital equipment borrowings were higher than originally budgeted.

Motion by David C. Petersen, seconded by Robert L. Snow, passed voice unanimous at 7:57 pm.

MOTION: I move to indefinitely postpone Article #9 of the May 3, 2010 Special Town Meeting.

Motion by Scott C. Martin, seconded by Roy Ricker, Sr., passed voice unanimous at 7:59 pm.

Explanatory Note: Since this article was requested, the Water Commissioners have entered into negotiations with Whittier Voc/Tech to have students to work on this project as part of their training.

ARTICLE 9: Move the Town vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$14,000 from Water Department Article 7 (Well #2 Generator) of the Special Town Meeting of May 18, 2009 to Article 20 (Garage Renovation) of the May 1, 2006 Special Town Meeting for a total appropriation of \$114,000 .

Inserted by the Board of Water Commissioners

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: The Water Department has decided to go ahead with a standby generator for Well #2 with a cost of \$38,000. The motor center/surge valve control will require a more enhanced design and cost to be compatible with the proposed water treatment facility control system and will be included with funding for that project. After a second round of bidding on the garage project, with a very conservative redesign, the Board of Water Commissioners finds that additional monies are still needed to execute this project which began in 2006.

MOTION: I move to indefinitely postpone Article #10 of the May 3, 2010 Special Town Meeting Warrant

Motion by Robert L. Snow, David C. Petersen, passed voice unanimous at 8:01.

ARTICLE 10: Move the Town vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 from the Stabilization Fund to be used by the Board of Selectmen to hire an engineer to study drainage problems on Newbury Road.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: Newbury Road near the intersection of Harrison Circle has significant drainage problems. Passage of this article funds an engineering study to determine the cause of the drainage problems and the best practical solution to deal with the drainage. Passage requires a two-thirds vote.

ARTICLE 11: Move the Town (a) appropriate \$134,000 to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of purchasing the following capital equipment: \$56,000 for Fire Department firefighting suits and defibrillators; \$15,000 for the purchase and installation of new light fixtures at the Town Hall and Annex; \$12,000 for the replacement of the Town Common gazebo roof; and \$51,000 for Highway Department capital improvements to include the following: converting the Highway Department heating system from oil to gas; purchasing and installing security gates at the Highway Department facility; purchasing new low band radios for the Highway Department; upgrading the wiring, and installing a fire alarm system at the Highway Department facility and Highway Department building roof replacement (b) authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen to borrow \$134,000 under G.L. Chapter 44 section 7 or any other enabling authority to meet such appropriation; and (c) authorize the Board of Selectmen to take any other action necessary to carry out this project.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: This capital equipment bond serves as the Board of Selectmen's second step in scheduling capital equipment replacement goals for Town equipment and infrastructure upgrades. Passage requires a two-thirds vote.

Motion by David C. Petersen, seconded by Robert L. Snow, passed vice unanimous at 8:10 pm.

ARTICLE 12: Move the Town, pursuant to G.L.c. 40, §15A, vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer the care, custody and control of the land located at 64 Pingree Farm Road shown on the Rowley Assessor's Map 4 Parcel 12, containing approximately 41.9 acres and also shown as Parcel 1 on a plan entitled "Plan Of Land Pingree Farm Road, Rowley, MA For Steve Calas" recorded in the Essex Registry of Deeds at Plan Book 334, Page 58, from the Board of Selectmen to the Rowley Conservation Commission for uses authorized by G.L.c. 40, §8C.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommendation Not Required

Explanatory Note: The Town of Rowley purchased this land in 1999. This land was intended to be placed under the Conservation Commission. A recent review of Town documents show that the transfer was not completed. After an affirmative vote of town meeting, a deed from the Board of Selectmen to the Conservation Commission shall be prepared transferring care, custody and control and indicating the change in use to conservation purposes authorized by G.L.c. 40, §8C

Motion by David C. Petersen, seconded by Robert L. Snow, passed voice unanimous at 8:15 pm.

ARTICLE 13: Move the Town vote to accept the provisions of Mass. General Laws Chapter 152, Section 69, the Worker's Compensation Act; and further, to authorize the Board of Selectmen to designate certain elected officers of the town, from time to time, except the Board of Selectmen, as "laborers, workmen and mechanics" for the purposes of MGL c. 152, s. 68 - s. 75.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommends

Explanatory Note: A recent worker's compensation audit showed that the Town did not accept the provisions of this statute. The Town does provide workers' compensation coverage to its employees, but, passage of this article clearly allows the coverage to extend to elected officers, excluding selectmen.

Motion by David C. Petersen, seconded by Richard M. Cummings, passed voice unanimous at 8:17 pm.

ARTICLE 14: Move the Town vote to accept as a Town way, the laying out by the Board of Selectmen of the private way known as Emily Lane, as shown on a plan entitled "Street Acceptance Plan Emily Lane Rowley, MA", dated August 27, 2007, Revised: November 20, 2009, prepared by John J. Decoulos, to be recorded herewith, this being the roadway shown on a plan entitled "Definitive Plan of Land in Rowley, MA Country Club Estates", dated October 17, 1995, last revision date 7-28-99, and recorded with the Essex South District Registry of Deeds at Plan Book 342, Plan 61, two plan sheets; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire by gift or deed, the land, easements, and rights therein, including all right, title, and interest in water mains and drainage systems, manholes, pipes, appurtenances thereto located within the above-referenced Emily Lane.

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Planning Board Recommends

Finance Committee Recommendation Not Required

Motion by Stuart L. Dalzell, Sr., seconded by Richard M. Cummings, passed voice unanimous at 8:19 pm.

ARTICLE 15: Move the Town vote to amend section 4 of the Historic District Bylaw by adding to such section the words and punctuation marks that appear in **bold** within parentheses, as shown below:

Section 4. There is hereby established under the provisions of Chapter 40C of the General Laws an Historic District Commission, to have all the statutory powers and duties of an historic district commission thereunder, consisting of seven members to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen in accordance with the provisions of the statute. The initial appointments to membership in the Commission shall be as follows: two members appointed for a term of one (1) year; two members appointed for a term of two (2) years; and three members appointed for a term of three (3) years. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment of the unexpired term. **(The Board of Selectmen may appoint three residents of the Town to serve as alternate members of the Historic District Commission for a three-year term. The Chairperson of the Historic District Commission may appoint an alternate member to act on applications, in the case of**

absence, inability to act, or conflict of interest, on the part of a regular member of the Historic District Commission, or in the event of a vacancy on the Commission.)

Inserted by the Board of Selectmen

Finance Committee Recommendation Not Required

Explanatory Note: The January 11, 2010 Special Town Meeting approved this amendment. The Attorney General's Office was unable to approve the bylaw amendment due to technical requirements. The article needs to be re-voted and re-submitted to the Attorney General's Office for final approval. The Board of Selectmen voted to support this warrant article on March 15, 2010. The Historic District Commission voted to support this article on April 1, 2010. Passage requires a two-thirds vote.

Motion by Richard M. Cummings, seconded by Stuart L. Dalzell, Sr., passed voice unanimous at 8:21 pm.

MOTION: I move to postpone indefinitely Article # 16 of the May 3, 2010 Special Town Meeting.

Motion by Clifford Pierce, seconded by Stuart L. Dalzell, Sr., passed voice unanimous at 8:25 pm.

Explanatory Note: This article postponed due to procedural issues.

ARTICLE 16. Move the Town vote to revise sections 6.2.2.2 and 6.7.2.2 of the Rowley Protective Zoning Bylaw by deleting from such sections the words and punctuation marks that appear in *italics* within parenthesis, and by adding to such sections the words and punctuation marks that appear in **bold** within brackets, as shown below:

6.2.2.2 **[The maximum number of dwelling units allowed in a multi-family development approved under this section shall be determined in the following manner:]** (*Twenty thousand (20,000)*) **[ten thousand (10,000)]** square feet of area for the first **[six (6)]** dwelling unit[s], plus (*ten thousand (10,000)*) **[twenty thousand (20,000)]** square feet of area for each additional unit, is required, except that, for developments under section 6.2.1.1(b), the Planning Board may increase the number of units allowed, up to a maximum density of (*twenty thousand (20,000) square feet of area for the first unit, plus five thousand (5,000) square feet of area for each additional unit*) **[ten thousand (10,000) square feet of area for each unit]**, if the Applicant proposes additional affordable housing than that required by section 6.2.4, or on-site or off-site public improvements or amenities that result in substantial benefit to the Town and which are beyond those necessary to mitigate the impacts of the proposed development. The square footage of any primary conservation areas shall not be considered in determining the **[maximum]** number of dwelling units allowed under this section. **[The requirements of this section may not be circumvented by the development of a parcel or parcels in phases.]**

6.7.2.2 The maximum number of dwelling units (*permitted*) **[allowed]** in an NEVD will be determined in the following manner: (*twenty thousand (20,000)*) **[ten thousand (10,000)]** square feet of area for the first **[six (6)]** dwelling unit[s], plus (*ten thousand (10,000)*) **[twenty thousand (20,000)]** square feet of area for each additional unit is required, except that the Board may increase the number of units allowed, if the Applicant proposes additional affordable housing than that required by section 6.7.3, the preservation or renovation of historic structures, or on-site or off-site public improvements or amenities that result in substantial benefit to the Town and which are beyond those necessary to mitigate the impacts of the proposed development. The square footage of any primary conservation areas shall not be considered in determining the **[maximum]** number of dwelling units allowed under this section. **[The requirements of this section may not be circumvented by the development of a parcel or parcels in phases.]**

Inserted by the Planning Board

Finance Committee Recommendation Not Required

Explanatory Note: This article would change the formula for calculating the maximum number of dwelling units that could be developed under the Rowley Protective Zoning Bylaw ("the Bylaw") as part of a multi-family development. Currently, the Bylaw requires 20,000 square feet of lot area for the first unit, and 10,000 square feet of lot area for each additional unit (wetlands are excluded from the calculation). Under this Article, the formula would change to 10,000 square feet of area for the first six units, plus 20,000 square feet of area for each additional unit.

The effect of this change would be to reduce the number of multi-family dwelling units that could be developed on large parcels of land – i.e., parcels in excess of two acres. To illustrate the effect of this change,

assume that the parcel in question has 80,000 square feet of area (and no wetlands). Under both the current Bylaw and this Article, a maximum of seven dwelling units could be allowed on this parcel.

In contrast, assume that the parcel has 480,000 square feet of lot area (and no wetlands). Under the current Bylaw, a maximum of 47 units could be developed. Under the Article, the maximum number of units would be 27. Passage requires a two-thirds vote.

ARTICLE 17: Move the Town vote to repeal section 8.1 of the Rowley Protective Zoning Bylaw ("Soil Suitability").

Inserted by the Planning Board

Board of Selectmen Recommends

Finance Committee Recommendation Not Required

Explanatory Note: This article repeals section 8.1 of the Bylaw ("Soil Suitability"). Section 8.1 requires the issuance of a special permit by the Board of Selectman for the construction of buildings and parking areas on certain types of wet (saturated) soils, soils subject to frequent flooding, or soils with high ground water levels. The Town adopted the Soil Suitability provision in 1972. Since that time, the State has enacted and implemented a number of land use provisions that regulate development on wet soils, including the Wetlands Protection Act, the Title V sanitary code, and the State Building Code. The Town has also adopted a local Wetland's Protection Bylaw and a strengthened Floodplain District Bylaw. In the Planning Board's opinion, these enactments have effectively eliminated the need for a local bylaw on soil suitability. Passage requires a two-thirds vote.

Motion by Clifford Pierce, seconded by Jean Pietrillo, passed voice unanimous at 8:27 pm.

MOTION: I Move the Town vote to adjourn the May 3, 2010 Special Town Meeting.

Motion by Richard M. Cummings, seconded by Stuart L. Dalzell, Sr., passed voice unanimous at 8:28 pm.

And you are hereby instructed to serve this warrant by posting copies thereof in at least seven public places in Town not less than fourteen days before the day fixed for such meeting, as directed by the laws of the Town and to make due return of the Warrant to the Town Clerk at least two days before said meeting. Given under our hands this 14th day of April in the year two thousand ten.

David C. Petersen, Chairman

Robert L. Snow, Vice Chairman

Richard M. Cummings, Clerk

Jack L. Cook Stuart L. Dalzell, Sr.

I have served this Warrant by posting in at least seven public places in the Town not less than fourteen days before the day fixed for such meeting and have made the return of the Warrant to the Town Clerk at least two days before the time of said meeting.

Notices posted at Town Hall, Rowley Pharmacy, Inc., Public Library, Knowles Filling Station, Market Basket, Town Hall Annex, and First National Bank of Ipswich/Rowley Office.

Nathaniel N. Dummer, Constable of Rowley

April 16, 2010

Certification: *I, Susan G. Hazen, duly elected and qualified Town Clerk for the Town of Rowley do hereby certify that the above minutes of the May 3, 2010 Town of Rowley Special Town Meeting are true and accurate according to documents maintained by this office.*

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*Susan G. Hazen, Town Clerk
Town of Rowley
May 13, 2010*

STATE PRIMARY September 14, 2010
St. Mary's Hall Main Street, Rowley
Ballots Cast: 605

Democratic Ballots Cast: 185

Governor		Treasurer		Representative in Congress	
Patrick Duval	138	Steven Grossman	101	John F. Tierney	154
Write-ins	3	Stephen J. Murphy	69	Write-ins	2
Blank	44	Write-in	0	Blank	29
		Blank	15		
Lieutenant Governor		Auditor		Representative in General Court	
Timothy P. Murray	141	Suzanne M. Bump	98	Harriet L. Stanley	146
Write-ins	4	Guy William Glodis	36	Write-ins	3
Blank	40	Mike Lake	33	Blank	36
		Write-ins	1		
Attorney General		Councillor		District Attorney	
Martha Coakley	145	Blank	17	Jonathan W. Blodgett	145
Write-ins	2			Write-ins	1
Blank	38	Mary Ellen Manning	112	Blank	39
		Jason A. Panos	35		
Secretary of State		Sheriff			
William Francis				Damian M. Anketell	125
Galvin	156	Write-ins	0	Write-ins	1
Write-ins	1	Blank	38	Blank	59
Blank	28				
		Senator in General Court			
		Write-ins			
		Blank			
		18			
		167			

Republican Ballots Cast: 420

Governor		Treasurer		Senator in General Court	
Charles D. Baker	387	Karen E. Polito	320	Bruce E. Tarr	357
Write-ins	4	Write-ins	1	Write-ins	2
Blank	29	Blank	99	Blank	61
	420				
Lieutenant Governor		Auditor		Representative in General Court	
Richard R. Tisei	351	Mary Connaughton	302	Robert V. Finneran	327
Write-ins	6	Lamal Jain	58	Write-ins	1
Blank	63	Write-ins	0	Blank	92
	420	Blank	60		
Attorney General		Representative in Congress		District Attorney	
Write-ins	97			Write-ins	17
James McKenna		Bill Hudak	334	Blank	403
(68)		Robert McCarthy, Jr	70		
Guy Carbone (19)		Write-ins	0		
Others (10)				Sheriff	

Blank	323	Blank	16	Frank G. Cousins, Jr.	351
				Write-ins	1
Secretary of State		Councillor		Blank	68
William C. Campbell	319	Write-ins	10		
Write-ins	1	Blank	410		
Blank	100				

STATE ELECTION
November 2, 2010
2723 Ballots Cast – 68% Turnout

GOVERNOR AND LT GOVERNOR

PATRICK and MURRAY	889
BAKER and TISEI	1587
CAHILL and LOSCOCCO	194
STEIN and PURCELL	29
Blanks	23
Write-ins	1

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Martha Coakley	1322
James P, McKenna	1352
Blanks	48
Write-ins	1

SECRETARY OF STATE

William Francis Galvin	1329
William C. Campbell	1243
James D. Henderson	60
Blanks	89
Write-ins	2

TREASURER

Steven Grossman	1028
Karyn E., Polito	1573
Blanks	122
Write-ins	0

AUDITOR

Suzanne M. Bump	793
Mary Z. Connoughton	1580
Nathanael A. Fortune	114
Blanks	235
Write-ins	1

SENATOR in GENERAL COURT

Bruce E. Tarr	2198
Blanks	505
Write-ins	20

REP in GENERAL COURT

Harriett L. Stanley	1237
Robert V. Finneran	1361
Blanks	125
Write-ins	0

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Jonathan W. Blodgett	1666
Blanks	1013
Write-ins	44

SHERIFF

Frank G. Cousins, Jr.	1937
Damian M. Anketell	434
Kevin J. Leach	215
Blanks	136
Write-ins	1

Question #1 - To eliminate MA sales tax on alcohol & alcoholic beverages

YES	1760
NO	929
Blanks	34

Question #2 - to repeal 40B with regard to

low or moderate housing	
YES	1402
NO	1196
Blanks	125

**REPRESENTATIVE in
CONGRESS**

John F. Tierney	1229
Bill Hudak	1402
Blanks	86
Write-ins	6

Question #3 - to reduce State sales tax
to 3%
YES 1446
NO 1244
Blanks 33

COUNCILLOR

Mary-Ellen Manning	1602
Blanks	1071
Write-ins	50

REPORT OF THE TREASURER/COLLECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Tax Report 2010

Real Estate:	Taxes Committed	10,754,687.50
	Taxes Collected	(10,670,223.40)
	Taxes Abated and Exempted	(36,874.50)
	Subsequent Tax Taking	(42,210.28)
	Uncollected as of 12/31/2010	5,379.32
Personal Property:	Taxes Committed	221,738.45
	Taxes Collected	(221,656.57)
	Taxes Abated and Exempted	
	Uncollected as of 12/31/2010	81.88
Motor Vehicle:	Taxes Committed	801,313.01
	Taxes Collected	(772,219.32)
	Taxes Abated and Exempted	(19,473.62)
	Uncollected as of 12/31/2010	9,620.07

Respectfully Submitted,

Jacqueline R.
Vigeant
Treasurer/Collector

SALARIES AND WAGES TOWN EMPLOYEES

	<u>Base Pay & Other Earnings</u>		<u>Base Pay & Other Earnings</u>
<u>Accounting</u>		<u>Harbor Master</u>	
Susan Bailey	48,344.00	William DiMento	8,656.00
Amy Lydon	14,508.00	Jenna DiMento	118.00
		William DiMento, Jr.	124.00
		Frederick Hardy	5,138.00
<u>Administration</u>		David Kent	1,878.00
Warren Appell	100.00	Bradley Maravalli	5,369.00
Jack Cook	2,231.00	Frank Price	1,248.00
Richard Cummings	2,231.00		
Stuart Dalzell	2,231.00	<u>Highway Department</u>	
Robert Merry	1,421.00	A. Scott Leavitt	74,361.00
David Petersen	810.00	Jeffrey Bolduc	43,066.00
Robert Snow	2,231.00	James F. Broderick	3,824.00
Deborah Eagan	77,702.00	Ryan Gibbons	3,541.00
Anita Atkinson-Drapeau	3,728.00	Ronald Keefe	50,885.00
Doreen Glowik	44,055.00	Patrick Snow	39,651.00
Louise Mehaffey	2,564.00		
Richard Caram	16,799.00	<u>Inspections</u>	
Calvin Cockman	1,645.00	Kenneth Ward	15,649.00
Linda Parker-Tuxbury	323.00	David Lovering	8,688.00
Reed Wilson	13,818.00	John Caldwell	1,758.00
		Glenn Clohec	18.00
<u>Assessor</u>		Richard Danforth	55.00
Diane D'Angeli	2,661.00	Frederick Gallagher	73.00
William DiMento	2,661.00	David Leavitt	13,470.00
Donald Thurston	2,661.00	David Levesque	11,655.00
Sean McFadden	72,181.00	Paula Meagher	768.00
Karen Milo	18,449.00	Robert Merry	58.00
<u>Board of Health</u>		<u>Inspections/ZBA</u>	
Frank Marchegiani	47,519.00	Katrina O'Leary	12,667.00
Edward Gallagher	21,732.00		
Wendelyn Hansbury	25,448.00	<u>Light Department</u>	
		Linda Soucy	107,767.00
<u>Cemetery Department</u>		Mark Anderson	107,244.00
Jack Cook	816.00	Mark Bixby	113,456.00
Nicholas Colby	226.00	Eric Grover	74,609.00
Peter Dalzell	6,430.00	Brian Herdman	56,919.00
Stuart Dalzell Jr.	6,032.00	Kenneth Keyes	19,680.00
Kenneth McCreedy	5,191.00	Sean LaBelle	66,638.00
Daniel Perley	5,096.00	Dennis Morrison	98,450.00
		Sandra Naugler	34,147.00
		Nancy Teel	39,659.00

Council on Aging

Mary Ellen Mighill	34,014.00
Denise Gilman	23,076.00
Carolyn Peabody	15,284.00
Lucia Picanso	7,832.00
Henry Wilson	1,354.00

Conservation Comm.

R. Brent Baeslack	45,139.00
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Planning

Maryann Tuxbury	21,241.00
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Shellfish Constable

John E. Grundstrom	3,609.00
John H. Grundstrom	2,294.00
Charles Hazen, Sr.	24.00

Town Clerk

Susan Hazen	38,423.00
Barbara DiMento	3,687.00
Susan Leach	687.00

Board of Registrars

Barbara DiMento	562.00
Mildred Dummer	562.00
Gordon Densmore	562.00

Elections

Philip Collyer	352.00
Nathaniel Dummer	499.00
Martha Geary	66.00
Winnifred Jarvis	306.00
Robert Johnson	386.00
Susan Leach	303.00
Marion Madden	197.00
Robert Merry	723.00
Enes Modini	303.00
Marion Musial	50.00
Joan Petersen	410.00

Library

Pamela Jacobson	46,307.00
Mary Bright	4,339.00
Barbara Collins	5,888.00
Richard Cormier	5,888.00
Monique Costello	243.00
Eileen Fitzgerald	17,722.00
Hermayne Gordon	17,465.00
Jean Haggerty	4,780.00
Joan Lyons	5,664.00
Brendan McConaghy	805.00
Tanya Magliozi	1,079.00
Annamarie McGrath	4,110.00
Veronica O'Leary	103.00
Brad Pyle	1,348.00
Amelya Sabatini	842.00
Lori St Jacques	59.00
Lisa Tummino	1,460.00
Eliz. Wideberg-Horgan	840.00
Catherine Woodall	1,792.00
Rebecca Young	70.00

Treasurer/Collector

Jacqueline Vigeant	71,126.00
Laura Hamilton	50,454.00
Karen Summit	29,793.00

Water Department

John Rezza	58,293.00
Marie Grover	39,894.00
Jason Kneeland	75,059.00
Jason Masse	89,005.00
Debra Monahan	1,105.00
Ralph Renzulli	35,898.00
Robert Swiniarski	40,082.00

Fire Department

James Broderick	74,377.00
Mark Emery	66,831.00
James R. Merry	67,217.00

Call Fire Fighter

Ronald Agrella	2,623.00
Darcie Britner	906.00
David Carpentier	8,192.00
James Chadbourne	4,428.00
Alan Comeau	2,198.00
John Condelli	736.00
James Condon	736.00
Gary Dean	3,326.00
Michael Durkee	1,306.00
Richard Gagnon	847.00
Justin Graham	9,365.00
Robert Hagopian	2,181.00
Charles Hazen Jr	2,280.00
Donald Merry	4,055.00
Jason Merry	502.00
Joseph Merry	11,695.00
Roger Merry	7,812.00
Shawn Roberts	967.00
Shawn Russell	1,306.00
Robert Serino	4,038.00
Matthew Skelley	1,258.00
John Stomboly	2,362.00
Jesse Warren	746.00
Mark Winfrey	3,243.00
Scott Winfrey	1,948.00

Police Department

	Base Pay	Detail Pay
Kevin Barry	64,090.00	
Robert Barker	100,340.00	
Robert Colby Jr.	7,189.00	2,143.00
Perry Collins	69,209.00	24,083.00
Sheri David	43,863.00	
Jeffrey DeCosta	12,443.00	
Jeffrey French	16,910.00	4,116.00
Joseph Gamache	72,005.00	
Robyn Hackler	878.00	
Charles Hazen Jr	43,791.00	
Thomas Hills	66,754.00	9,062.00
Scott Hirtle	58,630.00	
Richard Johnson	33,050.00	
Daniel Lee	20,443.00	3,640.00
Pamela Lutes	34,935.00	
Lyn MacAskill		
David MacMullen	62,776.00	4,696.00
Stephen May	110,342.00	5,233.00
Martha Merrill	564.00	
Lynne Neary	40,028.00	
Nicholas Nielsen	9,732.00	540.00
Brian Norris	8,836.00	172.00
John Raffi	67,702.00	13,265.00
David Sedgwick	81,910.00	10,033.00
Matthew Serratore	401.00	
Dorothy Tobin	59,979.00	344.00
Matthew Ziev	78,173.00	4,976.00
Total Detail		82,635.00
Total In Town Detail		15,764.00
Out of Town Detail		66,871.00

Grand Total: 3,825,720.00

**Salaries – Triton Regional School District
FY2011**

SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Name	FTE	Salary
N – DINA SULLIVAN	1.0	\$ 500
N – SUZANNE DENSMORE	1.0	\$ 500
N – ROBIN WILLIAMS	1.0	\$ 500
R – LANE BOURN	1.0	\$ 500
R – MARY MURPHY	1.0	\$ 500
R – PAUL LEES	1.0	\$ 500
S – DEBORAH CHOATE	1.0	\$ 500
S – LINDA LITCOFSKY	1.0	\$ 500
S – HOLLY JANVRIN	1.0	\$ 500

ADMINISTRATION

Name	FTE	Salary
CHRISTOPHER FARMER	1.0	\$ 165,000
BRIAN FORGET	1.0	\$ 123,000
MARY KATE CARBONE	1.0	\$ 115,000
KATHERINE HARRIS	1.0	\$ 96,000

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen thanks you for allowing us to serve you over the past year.

David C. Petersen, a dedicated and tireless member of the Board of Selectmen stepped down in May 2010. Mr. Petersen was most recently on the Board of Selectmen from 2006 to 2010 and served as chairman for three out of the four years he was on the Board. He oversaw many projects and led the Town through many crises, such as the flooding from the Mother's Day Storm in 2006, and the 2010 windstorms and rainstorms. Mr. Petersen also served on the Board of Selectmen during the time period of 1990 to 1993, and served as chairman for two of those years. The Board appreciates the many years of dedicated leadership he gave to the Town.

The Board of Selectmen welcomes G. Robert Merry to the Board. Mr. Merry is a former selectman, having served on the Board from 1998 to 2001. He served as chairman during his last year on the Board. Mr. Merry brings a wealth of experience and knowledge of municipal government operations to this position. He has served on many town board and commissions.

With the goal of providing the Town with a town-owned fire station, the Board of Selectmen formed the Fire Station Committee in 2010. The Fire Station Committee is made up of a cross-section of town officials, members of the community and the fire chief. In 2010, the Fire Station Committee focused on identifying potential sites in the Town suitable for a fire station.

On April 5, 2010, the Board of Selectmen appointed Robert Barker police chief. Chief Barker replaced Kevin Barry, who retired in 2009 after serving the Town as police chief for 26 years. Chief Barker has had a long-standing 30-year career with the Rowley Police Department, having served in the positions of acting chief, deputy chief, lieutenant, sergeant and officer. Chief Barker played an important role in getting the Police Department accredited by the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Commission.

The Board of Selectmen appointed Ken Ward as building inspector on September 20, 2010. Mr. Ward served as the Town's building inspector for 19 years before retiring in 2008. As a retiree, Mr. Ward works on a part-time basis, resulting in a cost-savings for the Town, while benefiting from his extensive career experience.

The "Kids Kingdom" playground at Eiras Park was dedicated in memory of Rowley resident Stephanie Jenkins on May 22, 2010. Mrs. Jenkins, a wife and mother of three children, was an active member of the Rowley community. She died in 2009 of cancer. Mrs. Jenkins, along with others from the Town, worked to get the first Kids Kingdom playground built almost 20 years ago. This year through the efforts of Maryann Levasseur, Ron Jenkins, and Tim Southall, of the Solace for Stephanie Organization, and many other individuals and organizations, the existing playground went through a major upgrade. Through donations new playground equipment was purchased and donated to the Town. The Solace for Stephanie organization recruited volunteers to install the equipment and beautify the area. The Board of Selectmen thanks the Solace for Stephanie organization for leading this project through completion. The Kids Kingdom playground is now a destination for families. The children in our Town have a safe and fun place to explore and play. A memorial plaque honoring Stephanie Jenkins was placed in the park during the dedication.

In October 2010, a public forum was held at the Town Hall on the Essex Coastal Scenic Byway Corridor Management Plan. Selectman Richard Cummings, who also serves on the Rowley Historical Commission, worked on this project and serves on the Coastal Byway Corridor Advisory Group. By the end of 2010, the draft

plan was nearly finalized. The Essex Coastal Scenic Byway goes through 13 coastal communities on the North Shore from Lynn to Newburyport in the Essex National Heritage Area.

The former library building at 17 Wethersfield Street was sold through a request for proposal process for \$125,000 to Lederman Engineering, Inc.

As we write this report at the end of 2010, we continue to face a stark fiscal landscape, with decreases in state aid and the demand for increased services. The Board of Selectmen continues to be ever vigilant to the needs of our townspeople over the last year and into the next fiscal. Despite these challenges, we remain optimistic in the belief that we will prevail from these challenging fiscal times.

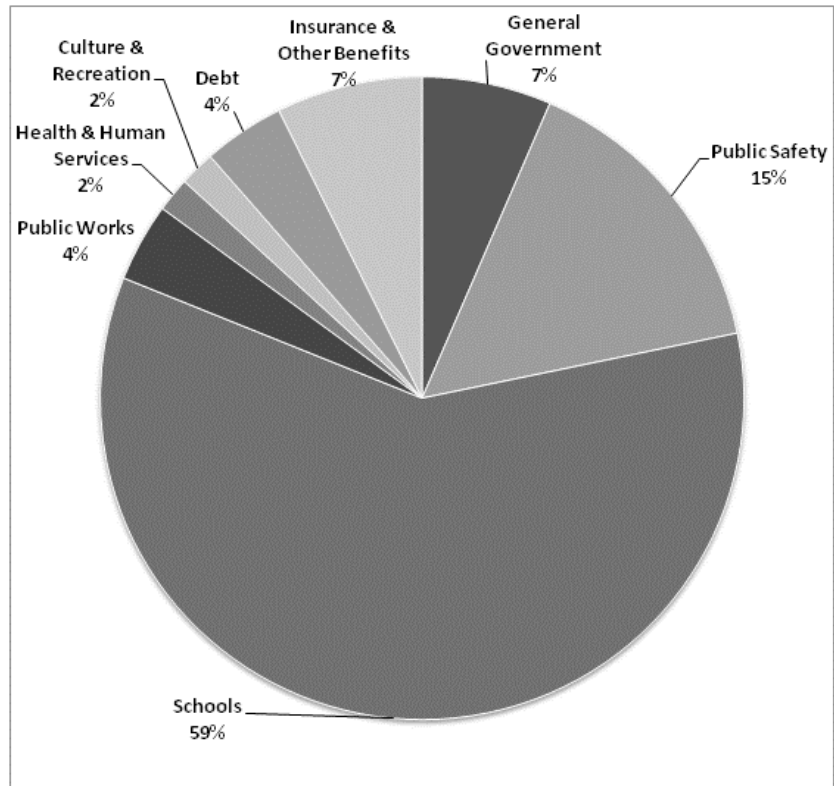
REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Omnibus Budget Distribution FY 07 – FY 11

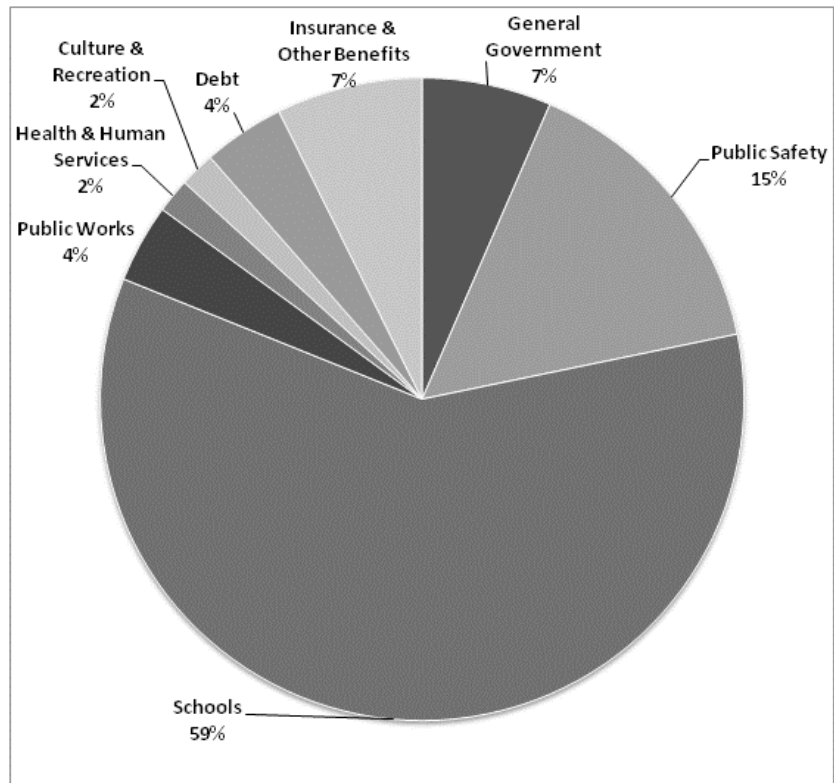
<u>Department</u>	<u>Expended FY</u>		<u>Expended FY</u>		<u>Expended FY</u>	
	<u>07</u>		<u>08</u>		<u>09</u>	
General Government	\$784,433	7%	\$784,066	6%	\$739,973	6%
Public Safety	\$1,911,172	16%	\$2,005,806	16%	\$1,933,010	15%
Schools	\$6,582,443	56%	\$7,302,922	58%	\$7,531,014	60%
Public Works	\$436,747	4%	\$533,696	4%	\$596,646	5%
Health & Human Services	\$197,917	2%	\$207,923	2%	\$216,534	2%
Culture & Recreation	\$211,998	2%	\$236,418	2%	\$218,840	2%
Debt	\$831,614	7%	\$710,107	6%	\$451,818	4%
Insurance & Other Benefits	\$785,476	7%	\$839,763	7%	\$855,430	7%
TOTAL	\$11,741,800		\$12,620,701		\$12,543,265	

<u>Department</u>	<u>Expended FY</u>		<u>Budgeted FY</u>	
	<u>10</u>		<u>11</u>	
General Government	\$825,680	6%	\$970,075	7%
Public Safety	\$1,941,720	15%	\$1,892,884	14%
Schools	\$7,557,274	59%	\$7,710,677	59%
Public Works	\$503,507	4%	\$490,682	4%
Health & Human Services	\$219,971	2%	\$225,316	2%
Culture & Recreation	\$227,232	2%	\$243,473	2%
Debt	\$521,035	4%	\$543,557	4%
Insurance & Other Benefits	\$932,125	7%	\$1,010,078	8%
TOTAL	\$12,728,544		\$13,086,742	

FY 10 EXPENDED



FY 11 BUDGETED



Article Balances as of February 28, 2011

Account Number	Article	Budget	FY2011 Expended	Balance
01-122-5213-101	Federal Single Audit SA25 5/08	1,500.00	0.00	1,500.00
01-122-5225-101	GASB 45 Consultant A18 5/07	1,925.00	0.00	1,925.00
01-122-5245-101	Hunsley Hills Management SA20 5/01	2,337.84	0.00	2,337.84
01-122-5250-101	Stormwater Map SA13 11/07	725.00	0.00	725.00
01-122-5255-101	Stormwater Phase II SA5 5/04	87.45	0.00	87.45
01-122-5700-101	Olde Nancy A16 5/76	200.00	0.00	200.00
01-122-5850-101	Laser Scanner SA19 11/01	550.00	0.00	550.00
01-122-5870-101	Engineering West Ox Lane SA34 11/01	4,190.00	0.00	4,190.00
01-122-5872-101	Office Furniture A30 5/02	267.00	0.00	267.00
01-122-5875-101	Police & Fire Study SA14 10/08	500.00	0.00	500.00
01-142-5303-106	Recertification A12 5/09 & A12 5/08	58,874.60	58,874.60	0.00
01-142-5305-116	Recertification A11 5/10	40,000.00	12,037.40	27,962.60
01-161-5800-103	Computer-Town Clerk SA7 12/00	510.83	0.00	510.83
01-188-5420-100	Agricultural Committee Exp SA29 11/04	79.38	0.00	79.38
01-193-5535-101	Town Hall Roof Leaks SA23 5/01	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
01-193-5545-101	Paint Interior of Town Hall A31 5/01	432.63	0.00	432.63
01-193-5550-101	Town Hall Roof SA15 11/07	5,550.00	0.00	5,550.00
01-194-5510-101	Repair 2nd Floor of Annex A22 5/00	10,385.00	0.00	10,385.00
01-194-5810-101	Annex Burglar Alarm SA7 5/01	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00
01-194-5820-101	Annex Basement Doors A32 5/01	1,600.00	0.00	1,600.00
01-211-5875-100	Police Station Roof SA16 11/07	3,611.00	0.00	3,611.00
01-218-5200-100	Fire Station Design A26 5/04	13,000.00	0.00	13,000.00
01-218-5820-110	Fire Horn Compressor A21 5/10	6,000.00	0.00	6,000.00
01-295-5487-104	Town Landing Clean-Up SA7 5/10	1,500.00	1,497.50	2.50
01-296-5485-104	Municipal Waterways A10 5/09	117.27	0.00	117.27
01-296-5490-114	Municipal Waterways A9 5/10	2,229.00	0.00	2,229.00
01-300-5810-101	Purch Land Adjacent to PGSchool A14 5/98	1,862.73	0.00	1,862.73
01-300-5850-101	PGSchool Septic Work SA8 5/02	470.00	0.00	470.00
01-300-5855-101	PGSchool Painting & Carpet A29 5/02	180.40	0.00	180.40
01-426-5840-105	Highway Truck with Plow A19 5/07	28.60	0.00	28.60
01-426-5845-101	Fox Meadow Bond SA13 1/10	50,844.50	1,800.00	49,044.50
01-433-5805-101	Landfill Test Well SA5 10/98	824.35	0.00	824.35
01-491-5535-110	Perpetual Care A10 5/10	758.00	0.00	758.00
01-491-5560-100	Repair Storage Bldg SA14 5/99	846.55	0.00	846.55
01-491-5570-100	Grade,Clear Section G A25 5/99	8,763.76	8,658.61	105.15
01-491-5810-100	Expand Sections G & H A15 5/07	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00
01-491-5815-100	Cemetery Fence Repairs SA11 1/10	31,430.00	0.00	31,430.00
01-545-5500-101	Handicap Access / Bathroom A66 5/89	3,216.57	0.00	3,216.57
01-630-5825-101	Renovate Land at PGSchool A39 5/99	240.35	0.00	240.35
01-650-5800-101	Bradstreet Expenses SA10 5/07	8.41	0.00	8.41
01-650-5810-101	Bradstreet Purchase Costs SA16 5/07	8,585.44	244.50	8,340.94
01-652-5800-101	Bradstreet Plaque SA14 5/01	183.25	0.00	183.25
01-698-5420-101	Old Library Expenses SA7 5/04	44.85	0.00	44.85
01-710-5969-102	MWPATrust Principal A14 5/09	13,636.86	0.00	13,636.86
01-710-5969-112	MWPATrust Principal A15 5/10	23,787.00	10,150.08	13,636.92
		332,883.62	93,262.69	239,620.93
20-670-5810-100	Jewel Mill Grant A34 5/03	13,667.50	0.00	13,667.50
20-670-5835-100	Hist Signs (1/2) SA25 11/04	920.00	0.00	920.00
20-670-5845-100	Ren 1st Fl Tn Hall A20 5/05	60,000.00	0.00	60,000.00
20-670-5850-100	Town Hall Windows A21 5/05	55,000.00	0.00	55,000.00
20-670-5855-100	TH Annex Study SA13 11/05	30,000.00	0.00	30,000.00

20-670-5875-100	TownHall Wdws II SA21 11/0	20,000.00	0.00	20,000.00
20-670-5880-100	Hist Distr Signs SA22 11/06	225.00	0.00	225.00
20-670-5885-100	Hist Doc Pres III SA15 5/07	9,072.44	209.05	8,863.39
20-670-5887-100	Assess Records SA14 1/10	16.00	0.00	16.00
20-670-5888-100	Philips Diary PresSA15 1/10	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00
20-670-5890-110	TH Cupola & Clock A19 5/10	148,000.00	0.00	148,000.00
61-452-5210-100	Utility/ Srv Trk SA20 5/08	665.00	0.00	665.00
61-452-5215-100	MtrCtr/SurgeVal/GenSA7 5/09	49,000.00	49,000.00	0.00
61-452-5220-100	Garage Renov. SA20 5/06	89,249.76	36,310.32	52,939.44
61-452-5225-100	Water Quality PilotSA5 1/10	37,361.17	28,121.13	9,240.04
61-452-5230-110	Water Trtmnt Plant A20 5/10		221,555.24	1,081,444.76
61-452-5295-100	GASB 34 Consultant A8 5/03	7,466.50	0.00	7,466.50
Account Number	Account Name	Budgeted	Expenditures	Remaining
Account Number	Account Name	Budgeted	Expenditures	Remaining
Account Number	Account Name	Budgeted	Expenditures	Remaining
Account Number	Account Name	Budgeted	Expenditures	Remaining
Account Number	Account Name	Budgeted	Expenditures	Remaining
Agricultural Commission				
Cemetery				
Center School Annex				
Fire Department				
Former Library Building				
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TOTAL Water Department Operating			334,986.69	1,151,755.74
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TOTAL WATER ENTERPRISE FUND			334,986.69	1,151,755.74
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TOTAL CONSOLIDATED FUND TOTALS			440,458.43	1,728,068.56

**TOWN OF
ROWLEY,
MASSACHUSETTS**
STATEMENT OF BUDGET VS. ACTUAL REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010
UNAUDITED

	FINAL BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES	CARRIED FORWARD	VARIANCE FAVORABLE (UNFAVORABLE)
REVENUES:				
Real estate and personal property				
Excise taxes	786,800	774,793		(12,007)
Intergovernmental	648,562	641,394		(7,168)
Departmental fees, fines and charges	484,438	477,479		(6,959)
Interest	25,770	35,276		9,506
 Total Revenues	 12,751,995	 12,872,458		 120,463
EXPENDITURES:				
General Government	1,043,632	838,548	100,715	104,369
Public Safety	1,995,849	1,955,938	21,919	17,992
Public Works	612,470	514,229	112,738	(14,496)
Human Services	225,783	219,971	3,630	2,183
Culture and Recreation	260,356	240,618	9,707	10,031
Education	7,559,787	7,557,274	2,513	(0)
Pension	470,717	394,126		76,591
Debt Service - Principal	354,487	340,850	13,637	(0)
Debt Service - Interest	209,447	190,335		19,112
State and County charges	155,244	156,621		(1,377)
Employee Benefits	320,576	258,404		62,172
Other expenditures	96,000	87,517	0	8,483
 Total Expenditures	 13,304,349	 12,754,431	 264,858	 285,060
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	(552,354)	118,027	(264,858)	405,523
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
Transfers in	148,512	148,512		0
Transfers out	(100,000)	(100,000)		0
 Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	 48,512	 48,512		 0
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE	(503,842)	166,539	(264,858)	405,523
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE, Beginning of Year	1,309,760		1,309,760	
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE, End of Year	805,918	1,476,300	(264,858)	405,523

TOWN OF ROWLEY, MASSACHUSETTS
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 2013
UNAUDITED

	Governmental Fund Types					Fiduciary Fund Types	Account Group	
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Water	Light	Trust and Agency	Long-Term Obligations Group	(Memorandum Only) Combined Totals
ASSETS								
CASH AND SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS	1,578,003	2,622,389	235,949	184,382	5,412,502	432,886		10,466,111
INVESTMENTS								
Investments						316,646		316,646
RECEIVABLES								
Real Estate and Personal Property	(193,628)	539,201						345,573
Tax Liens	188,920							188,920
Excise Taxes	86,861							86,861
Other	33,020	3,826		49,647	167,104			253,597
OTHER ASSETS	97,191	8,500		7,010,239	4,534,065			11,649,995
AMOUNTS TO BE PROVIDED FOR RET. OF LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS							5,497,875	5,497,875
TOTAL ASSETS	1,790,367	3,173,916	235,949	7,244,268	10,113,671	749,532	5,497,875	28,805,578
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	314,069							
LIABILITIES								
Deferred Revenues	115,174	7,118						122,292
Other Liabilities	198,895	35,897		71,268	1,937,038	259,930		2,503,028
Notes Payable		-	859,753					859,753
Bonds				810,001	220,000		5,497,875	6,527,876
TOTAL LIABILITIES	314,069	43,015	859,753	881,269	2,157,038	259,930	5,497,875	10,012,949
FUND EQUITY								
Reserved for: Encumbrances and continuing appropriations	266,567	1,938,033		183,742				2,388,342
Reserved for Expenditures	472,577							472,577
Reserved for Appropriation Defecit	(40,002)							(40,002)
Nonexpendable Trust						223,241		23,241
Unreserved	777,156	1,192,868	(623,804)	6,179,257	7,956,633	266,361		15,748,471
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	1,476,298	3,130,901	(623,804)	6,362,999	7,956,633	489,602	-	18,792,629
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	1,790,367	3,173,916	235,949	7,244,268	10,113,671	749,532	5,497,875	28,805,578

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To: The Honorable Board of Selectmen

From: The Rowley Board of Assessor's

Date: January 10, 2011

In fiscal year 2011 the Board of Assessors with the assistance of Vision Appraisal Technology Inc. of Northborough, Mass, completed our triennial revaluation as mandated by the Department of Revenue. The revaluation resulted in adjustments to all property classes but condominiums which remained unchanged from fy2010 to fy2011. It is important to note that January 1st annually is the assessment date and all assessments are determined using arms-length property sales. During a revaluation year the Department of Revenue requires that 24 months of sales be used to determine the new assessments. Therefore, for the fiscal year 2011 triennial revaluation with the assessment date of January 1, 2010 the sales used to determine the assessments are those that occurred in both calendar years 2008 and 2009.

The Board also in 2010 contracted Vision Appraisal Technology Inc to complete a 3 year re-measure and re-list of all Town properties, which is also state mandated and required to be completed every 10 years. One third of the Town's properties Maps 1 through 10 were re-measured and re-listed during this first phase and a new photograph of the exterior of each property were taken.

Below is a table of the fiscal year 2011 parcel counts, valuations and taxes for the main property classes in Town:

<i>FISCAL YEAR 2011</i>					
<u>Tax Classification</u>	<u>Parcel Count</u>	<u>Assessed Value by Class</u>	<u>Tax Rate</u>	<u>Tax by Class</u>	<u>% of Total Value by Class</u>
<i>Residential</i>	2261	726,386,442	13.28	\$9,646,412	81.5016%
<i>Open Space</i>	54	128,100	13.28	\$1,701	0.0144%
<i>Commercial</i>	222	68,387,249	13.28	\$908,183	7.6731%
<i>Industrial</i>	33	42,508,110	13.28	\$564,508	4.7695%
<i>Personal Property</i>	324	19,382,008	13.28	\$257,393	2.1747%
<i>Exempt</i>	227	34,462,700			3.8668%
<i>Total</i>	<u>3121</u>	<u>891,254,609</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$11,378,197</u>	<u>100.0000%</u>

The Board reported \$13,121,170 in New Growth Value to the Department of Revenue, which was certified during the fiscal year 2011 tax rate setting process. The tax rate in the Town increased from \$12.50 to \$13.28 for fiscal year 2011.

As always, the Board feels it is important for all taxpayers to remember that the Board of Assessors does not make the laws that affect property owners. The Massachusetts Legislature enacts tax laws. Various guidelines and regulations to implement the legislation are established by the Department of Revenue. The Board of Assessors, in short, follows the procedures established by others to set the value of property. Value is actually set by buyers and sellers as they establish the worth of comparable properties through their transactions in the real estate marketplace. The Assessors also do not determine taxes. The municipality itself determines property taxation, through its Town Meeting. Similarly, the Assessors do not decide who is entitled to relief on their property tax bills through exemptions; rather they follow the Massachusetts General Laws.

Respectfully Submitted,

William J. Di Mento, Chairman
Diane L. D'Angeli M.A.A., Assessor
Donald W. Thurston M.A.A., Assessor

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

As always, the Town Clerk's office is kept busy throughout the year issuing Dog Licenses, Shellfish Permits, Business Certificates, Ramp and Mooring Permits, processing Parking and Non-Criminal Complaint tickets, Vital Records, including Marriage licenses, Birth and Death Certificates, as well as supervising Voter Registration, Town Elections, Annual and Special Town Meetings.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Assistant Town Clerk Barbara R. DiMento. Although this position is still not budgeted for regular weekly hours, Barbara covers when I am out of the office to attend various education opportunities, take vacation or a sick day. Thank you, Barbara.

Thank you as well to Senior Tax Credit Volunteers John E. (Jack) Grundstrom, Sue Leach, and G. Robert (Bob) Merry for their work in this office. The Senior Tax Credit program allows work on various projects that I wouldn't be able to address on my own. Jack has addressed many indexing projects over the past few years. Sue spent most of her Senior Tax Credit hours processing the hundreds of Dog License applications that came in with the Annual Town Census – Thank you, Sue! Bob continued to work his way through town records, cataloging and indexing while making suggestions as to which are in the most immediate need of preservation.

As Rowley, incorporated on September 4, 1639, was only the fifth town in Essex County and the sixteenth in all of the Bay Colony, many American families can trace their lineage back to Rowley and researchers from all over the globe contact this office, in person, through the mail or via Email, with regard to researching their ancestry. We are very proud to be able to say that our town records represent one of the most complete collections to be found in the area. In part through the efforts of the Senior Tax Credit program and Community Preservation Grants, we are able to provide accurate and easy-to-use Indexes to Town of Rowley Birth, Death and Marriage Records from 1639 to the present, records of Cemetery deeds since about 1850 and Deed and Development Records. Thank you all!

2010 Population Demographics (as of 12/31/2010)

Dates of Birth between:	1/1/1900 and 12/31/1909	0
	1/1/1910 and 12/31/1919	34
	1/1/1920 and 12/31/1929	116
	1/1/1930 and 12/31/1939	265
	1/1/1940 and 12/31/1949	599
	1/1/1950 and 12/31/1959	1143
	1/1/1960 and 12/31/1969	1056
	1/1/1970 and 12/31/1979	615
	1/1/1980 and 12/31/1989	706
	1/1/1990 and 12/31/1999	748
	1/1/2000 and 12/31/2009	653
	<u>1/1/2010 and 12/31/2010</u>	<u>52</u>

Total Population 5,986

Comparative Vital Statistics (as of 1/31/11)

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>
Births	60	55	57	51	44
Deaths	60	47	55	46	51
Marriages	26	22	19	20	21

Births: Of the forty-four (44) births recorded in Rowley, 20 were female and 24 were males with no sets of multiples!

Deaths: Of the fifty-one (51) deaths recorded, nineteen (19) were men and thirty-two (32) were women. Forty (40) were listed as residents of Rowley and fifteen (15) were veterans – ten (10) from World War II, four (4) from the Korean Conflict and one (1) from Vietnam. The average age at time of death was 81.5 years.

Marriages: Of the twenty (20) Marriage Licenses issued, only eight (8) of the weddings actually took place in Rowley.

Revenue Report for the Town Clerk's Office – 2010

Bylaw Non-Criminal Violations	\$ 2,975.00
Cemetery Lots	1,900.00
Dog and Kennel Licenses	11,655.00
General Fees	3,521.64
Parking Violations	3,725.00
Ramp and Mooring Permits	11,487.50
Shellfish Permits	15,665.00
Wildlife – Hunting/Fishing Licenses	<u>5,297.30</u>
	\$ 52,500.94

Cemetery Lots Sold – There were five (5) lots sold altogether, four (4) to Rowley residents and one (1) to a non-resident.

Dog Licenses – We issued eight hundred ninety-four (894) Dog Licenses and seven (7) Kennel Permits in 2010! Once again, due to our new and more accurate dog licensing program, fees were up considerably from last year as are able to compile a more accurate town-wide ‘dog census’ via the information provided to us, as required by law, by area veterinarians.

General Fees – ‘General Fees’ income which reflect a wide range of transactions including the sale of Rules and Regulations from various committees, Street List sales, Marriage Licenses, Business Certificates, certified copies of Vital Records and research and copying fees are down again from last year, possibly due to the fact that many of the Bylaws and R&R’s are now available on the town website: townofrowley.net.

Shellfish Permits – There were a total of one hundred seventeen (117) shellfish permits and 11 Aquaculture leases issued. - Thirty-two (32) full price Resident/Commercial Permits including four (4) free commercial permits to residents over 60, eight (8) Junior Commercial Permits*, seventy-two (72) Resident/Non-commercial Permits (including 29 free to residents over 60), three (3) Non-resident(Summer)/non-commercial permits, one (1) Summer resident/weekly permit.

** Created with students in mind, this special permit is available to Rowley residents between the ages of 15 and 18, at only one half the regular commercial permit fee (one half of \$400), and is limited to clamming between April 1st to September 30th.*

Hunting and Fishing Licenses – Even though Wildlife licenses are now available for sale online and we had anticipated diminished sales, our income increased significantly since Ipswich chose not to sell Wildlife licenses in 2010. Many, many Ipswich hunters came to Rowley to purchase licenses and stamps; we had to re-order licenses during the year and finally sold out in December. There were one hundred seventy-five (175) 2010 Wildlife licenses sold by this office: one hundred (100) Sporting/Hunting (including fifty (50) Sporting Licenses and thirteen (13) Free/over 70 years of age licenses), seventy-five (75) Fishing/Trapping (including 12 Free/over 70 licenses) and one hundred thirty-four (134) various conservation stamps sold.

Ramp and Mooring Permits - One hundred sixty-two (162) residents purchased two hundred twenty-nine (229) Ramp Permits and sixty-eight (68) Mooring permits were issued by this office in 2010. Harbormaster Bill DiMento and I are currently completing the design of a Ramp/Mooring program which we hope will be in place by Spring 2011 and expect to see a significant increase in income due to better tracking of ramp use and mooring space. .

I continue to try to attend as many professional development opportunities offered by the Mass Town Clerk's Association, the New England Clerk's Association and the International Institute of Municipal Clerks as possible. I am now the President of the North Shore City and Town Clerk's Association and we have put into place a program which offers training workshops to local city and town clerk's who cannot afford the time of expense of traveling to the regional conferences. I still love my job and look forward to coming to work each morning and, with your continued support, look forward to serving the Town of Rowley for many years to come.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan G. Hazen, CMC/CMMC
Town Clerk, Town of Rowley

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF REGISTRARS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Mass General Law directs each town to appoint a Board of Registrars to be responsible for maintaining accurate voter registration lists and presiding over recounts. The voter registration list is the basis for the Street List and Census and is used to check qualified residents into Annual/Special Town Meetings and Federal, State and Local Elections. The primary vehicle for keeping this list up to date is the annual census/street list as maintained by the state hosted VRIS Computer System. Each year the registrars spend considerable time compiling the Annual Census as well as working at the check-in table at Rowley's Town Meetings and providing office coverage for Voter Registration and various other extended hours as mandated by the Secretary of State. With the untimely passing of Massachusetts Senator Edward M. Kennedy, the Board was kept unexpected busy providing coverage during the hectic election season.

The Board of Selectmen voted to re-appoint Barbara R. DiMento, 75 Bennett Hill Rd, Mildred L. Dummer, 34 Wethersfield St., Gordon R. Densmore of 249 Wethersfield St. and Town Clerk Susan G. Hazen, 4 Central St. to serve on the Board of Registrars for FY 2010.

Voter Registration as of 12/30/2009

Unenrolled	(U)	2730
Democrat	(D)	787
Republican	(R)	694
Libertarian	(L)	9
Green-Rainbow	(J)	1
Other	1	
Total Registration:		4222
"Inactive" Status Voters		<u>-223 *</u>
		3999

** As noted in previous reports, we continue to creep closer and closer to the state mandated maximum number of voters per precinct. At this point in time, we foresee dividing the town basically right down the middle with Route One being the dividing line and given the lack of a large function hall on the west side of town, are anticipating running both precincts out of our existing polling place – St. Mary's Hall*

on Main St. The 2010 Federal Census figures for the Town of Rowley may be the determining factor for this important decision.

Appointed Election Workers –

DEMOCRATS:

Nina E. Gynan, 46 Plantation Drive, Rowley
Winnifred Jarvis, 22 Bradford St., Rowley
Marion Madden, 136 Wethersfield St., Rowley
Enes Modini, 260 Dodge Rd., Rowley
Joan Carol Petersen, 25 Newbury Rd., Rowley

REPUBLICANS:

Maryann Appell, 43 Fenno Dr., Rowley
Mary Bright, 965 Haverhill St., Rowley
Martha Chase Geary, 563 Wethersfield St., Rowley
Lucinda Johnson, 28 Brook St., Rowley
Joan Lyons, 283 Haverhill St., Rowley
Marion R. Musial, 545 Newburyport Turnpike, Rowley

UNENROLLED:

Doreen Glowik, 545 Newburyport Turnpike, Rowley
Robert Johnson, 28 Brook St., Rowley
Susan E. Leach, 5 Jellison Rd, Rowley
G. Robert Merry, 40 Warehouse Lane, Rowley
Mary Ellen Mighill, 76 Central St., Rowley

2009 Elections:

May 12, 2009	Annual Town Election	527 Ballots Cast
May 18, 2009	Annual/Special Town Meeting	
Dec. 8, 2009	Special State Primary	857 Ballots Cast

We would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the residents who continue to take on the often thankless responsibility of being an election worker in spite of meetings and training sessions regarding new equipment, new rules and regulations, and tightened security concerns. Equipment is set up and tested, voters processed and votes tabulated at elections in a timely and efficient manner due in large part to the training and professionalism of our dedicated election workers.

As we've said before, the only perks the underpaid and often-overworked election workers can look forward to are the wonderful meals provided to us by Doug Morris of Old Town Bread Co on Main Street. Doug always supplies us with hot, delicious meals within our limited budget. We thank, as well, Constables Nat Dummer and Phil Collyer, Police Chief Kevin Barry and Fire Chief James Broderick for providing assistance in the areas of security and traffic control. Thank you also to Roger Merry, Bob Merry, Charlie and Chuck Hazen for helping to set up, break down and move around all the voting booths, Accu-vote machines, Automark machines, ballot boxes and related material. Our thanks as well to Father James Carroll and St. Mary's Parish for allowing us to hold our elections in their hall, the custodial staff at Pine Grove School for setting up and taking down all the chairs at Town Meetings and to the Triton AV tech students who videotape each town meeting for us.

2010 Election and Town Meeting Information:

Special State Senate Election	Tuesday, January 19, 2010
St. Mary's Hall, Main St	7 AM to 8 PM
Annual Town Election	Tuesday, May 11, 2010
St. Mary's Hall, Main St.	Noon to 8 pm
Special/Annual Town Meeting	Monday, May 3, 2010
Pine Grove School, Main St.	7:30 PM
State Primary	Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2010
St, Mary's Hall, Main St.	7 AM to 8 PM
State Election	Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1020
St. Mary's Hall, Main St.	7 AM to 8 PM

We are currently in the process of compiling the year 2010 CENSUS/STREET LIST information. We hope to have the 2010 Street List books ready early in the spring. Did you return your CENSUS form? We can't stress enough how important it is to keep these lists accurate and up to date and respectfully request residents to return their census with the correct information as soon as they receive it.

We also, take this opportunity to remind residents that there will be TWO Census forms to respond to this year as the 2010 Federal Census comes around on its ten year cycle. We urge residents to answer BOTH Census forms as each is vital in its own way. The Town Census provides information and numbers with regard to services to be provided or may need to be provided by the town – how many children are approaching kindergarten age, how many seniors will be requiring services from our local Council on Aging or simply how many residents with regard to reprecincting. The Federal Census holds the key to representation to state and federal legislatures, state and federal funding and acts as a local decision making tool. In this stressed economy, we can't risk losing a Congressional seat or our fair share of the federal funding pie – your input really counts – complete your Census!!!

We remind you that you may register to vote at the Town Clerk's Office or at the Registry of Motor Vehicles. You can request a registration form by calling 978 948 2081 or the Secretary of the Commonwealth's office at 1-800-462-VOTE . You need to register to vote only once, unless you change your name, address or affiliation. Please remember that response to the Annual Town Census/Street List questionnaire does NOT constitute Voter registration although failure to respond to it may result in *removal* from the Voter's List. Please contact the Clerk's Office at 978 948 2081 should you have any questions regarding your Voting Status.

Respectfully submitted by the Board of Registrars Gordon R. Densmore, Barbara DiMento, Mildred L. Dummer, Susan G. Hazen

REPORT OF THE PERSONNEL BOARD

The Personnel Board, as part of the Town, must strive to consistently improve Human Resource Policy to reflect the administrative needs of our Town. To this end, we submit the following:

Objectives:

Our principal objective will be to ensure that Human Resource policy is within acceptable standards and administered in a uniform manner to all employees. With this administration, Management, Unions and Employees alike should find a more acceptable work environment. The Board strives to create an environment that will enhance job satisfaction and provide improvement in services to the taxpayer. Employee satisfaction is an important factor of any organization and frequently is found to be in indirect proportion to job performance. Employee performance normally increases self-confidence and should improve productivity. When such factors exist, an enhanced relationship between Employee and Employer becomes more achievable and allows for all parties to become winners; the Employee, the Town and the Taxpayer.

Goals:

The Personnel Board again this year will continue to review and improve all current policy. Such policy as defined in the Town's "Personnel Plan", provides day-to-day administrative guidelines to Supervisors and Employees alike. These guidelines identify: hours, wages and benefits, as well as, other conditions of employment.

Accomplishments:

In addition to items listed above, the Town Department Heads have developed and written job descriptions for all Town Employees. Such job descriptions are then reviewed for format and content, and thereafter evaluated by the Personnel Board, for the assignment of a pay grade.

REPORT OF THE AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Agricultural Commission is pleased to report a very productive and satisfying 2010.

In May, the Community Garden at Bradstreet Farm became a reality. In early May, the garden was turned over, compost was added and water lines installed. Quickly, all 32 of the plots were claimed by residents. The garden has attracted residents of all ages and skill levels from first time gardeners to retired commercial farmers. Despite heavy rains in the early spring, the weather was perfect for growing an abundance of produce. We are very pleased to add an additional 12 plots this spring to give more residents the opportunity to grow their own food. The enthusiasm and commitment the gardeners have shown will ensure that the agricultural history of the Bradstreet Farm will continue into the future.

The 7th season of the Farmer's Market was once again a huge success. The weather proved to be nothing short of spectacular for all crops. With each year, the market is attracting more vendors offering a wide variety of fresh local produce and products. Our 3rd Annual Antique Tractor Contest was also successful and featured over a dozen beautifully restored tractors. We are grateful to the Historical Society for offering several concession stands with wonderful baked goods for all to enjoy. We are particularly pleased to offer a friendly venue for farmers to sell their products at no cost to them. We are looking forward to our 8th year of the Rowley Farmer's Market.

As always, The Rowley Agricultural Commission is available to promote and protect the Towns agricultural history. We look forward to our continued work on behalf of the agricultural community and the residents of Rowley.

Thank you for your on going support.

REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In conformance with the State enabling act, Chapter 267 of the acts of 2000; Amended by Chapter 165 of the Acts of 2002, Section 3 to 7, inclusive, Chapter 44B of the General Laws, the Rowley Community Preservation (CP) Committee was established by a bylaw passed at the May 1, 2001 Town Meeting. The CP Committee studies the needs, possibilities and resources of the Town regarding community preservation, and is responsible for recommending projects for funding by the CP Committee in the areas of open space, recreation, historic preservation and community housing. All projects that the CP Committee recommends must be approved by a majority Town Meeting vote.

The committee met seven times in 2010 (02/11, 03/10, 03/15, 03/25, 09/23, 10/14 and 12/16). Currently, the only large project in progress is the Bradstreet Farm (June 2027).

There are many lesser projects in progress for which the funds have been allocated but not yet spent. The Community Preservation surcharge for FY 2010 was \$322,644.02 less surcharge abatements and exemptions of \$6,101.69 for a net surcharge of \$316,542.33 plus the additional State matching portion of \$184,847.00.

Projects submitted and approved in calendar year 2010 were as follows:

1. First Congregational Church Philips Diary additional funding
2. Parks and Recreation Bradstreet Engineering Study
3. Assessor Historic Book Binding

Assessor Historic Book Binding Project and the First Congregational Church Philips Diary additional funding will be on the warrant at the May 2011 Special Town Meeting for review and comment before being voting on.

Final consideration of other submitted projects applications were delayed for various reasons including incomplete and ineligible applications need for further information and submission of a Real Estate land appraisal.

CP Committee Members are selected by the committees on which they serve and ultimately confirmed by the Selectmen to serve for three year terms.

Current members are:

Frank Todd, Chair	Historic District Comm.
Dr. Robert Carpenter	Open Space Committee
Curt Turner, Secretary	Conservation Commission
Richard Cummings	Board of Selectmen
Kurt Annen	Recreation
Stuart Wells	Planning Board
Warren Appell	Rowley Housing Authority

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Planning Board approved two significant projects within the past year. On May 6, 2010, the Board approved a mixed-use development for our Town Center under Rowley's New England Village Development bylaw. This development, which is currently under construction, will consist of a total of ten, one-to-two bedroom dwelling units, and approximately 2,132 square feet of retail/commercial space, and will result in the renovation of two historic structures on Main St. On August 5, 2010, the Board approved a 25 unit multi-family development at 63 and 79 Main St. Both developments are located in the Town's central zoning district.

The Planning Board meets on Wednesday nights. To schedule an appointment, please call our Administrative Assistant, Mary Ann Tuxbury, at 978-948-5549, or come to our office at the Center Street School Building, during office hours (10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M., Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, and 9:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M., Wednesdays).

We welcome questions or comments on the rules of development in Rowley, or on particular projects before the Board.

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Honorable Board of Selectmen and Rowley Residents:

The Town of Rowley voted in 1962 to adopt the Conservation Commission Act of 1957 which established a municipal agency to plan for natural resource protection, acquire important land and water areas, and manage these properties for conservation and passive recreation. The Rowley Conservation Commission also administers and enforces the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (1972), the Rivers Protection Act (1996), the Town of Rowley Wetlands Protection Bylaw (2004) and the Town of Rowley Stormwater Management and Erosion Control Bylaw (2007). The Rowley Conservation Commission is composed of seven members appointed for staggered three-year terms by the Board of Selectmen. Members volunteer their time to help preserve and protect Rowley's natural resources. Commission members include: Judy Kehs (member for 31 years), Curt Turner (22 years), Doug Watson (10 years), Sam Streiff (7 years), Bob Garner (3 years), David DelMonico (3 years), and Dr. Robert Carpenter (newly appointed). Currently, the Commission meets every third Tuesday at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall Annex.

Wetlands are important for the environmental functions they perform, in addition to their aesthetic and recreational values. These valuable functions include:

- protection of land containing shellfish
- protection of fisheries
- flood control
- storm damage prevention
- prevention of pollution
- protection of public and private water supply
- protection of ground water supply
- protection of vernal pools and other wildlife habitat

Where there are wetland areas involved, proper application of the Act and Bylaw allows individuals to develop land in Rowley while minimizing problems from storm, flood, and high groundwater damage, while also preventing pollution and protecting natural resources including wetlands, rivers, estuaries, salt marshes, drinking water, groundwater, fisheries, and wildlife.

In 2010 the Commission received 79 permit applications. New project applications showed a continuing decrease from 2009 reflecting the general real estate market downturn. These consisted of:

- 7 Notices of Intent, which range from new homes to new subdivisions
- 18 Requests to Determine Applicability, which allow less complicated projects
- 14 Requests for Extension of Orders of Conditions, extend expiration dates
- 37 Requests for Certificates of Compliance, the final declaration of project completion
- 3 Stormwater Management Permits, managing project drainage and erosion controls
- 5 Enforcement Orders, action to protect and restore degraded wetland resources

The Conservation Department also assists the Board of Selectmen by reviewing and providing professional input on special permit requests under the Earth Removal Bylaw. In addition, the office reviewed 60 building permit requests, at least 15 written information requests, and provided the Board of Health with input on 19 soil evaluation site reviews. In conjunction with the Board of Health, the Conservation Commission is directly involved in beaver management issues. In this capacity, the Conservation Department assisted flooding concerns where the Mill River flows under Haverhill Street and at the recently constructed Taylor Bridge on Wethersfield Street. The Conservation Department provides environmental expertise to the Planning Board in Special Permit and Definitive Subdivision project reviews.

The Open Space Committee is nearing completion on revising and updating the Town's Open Space and Recreation Plan. This plan inventories existing lands designated for open space and active and passive recreation, and sets goals for improving these lands over the next five years. The Committee completed a public survey and conducted public meetings to obtain citizen input to formulate future open space goals. If anyone is interested in working on this project or other open space initiatives, the committee would welcome more participants. Open Space Committee members include: Lane Bourn, Alan Roscoe, Jane Thomassen, and Robert Carpenter. The Conservation Commission is also represented on the Community Preservation Committee by Curt Turner and Dr. Carpenter serves as the Open Space Committee's representative.

The Conservation Commission reviewed and supported the establishment of the Community Garden plots at Bradstreet Farm as initiated by the Agricultural Commission. Due to the citizen interest demonstrated this past growing season the Conservation Commission approved plans to expand the size and number of garden plots.

The Conservation Commission wishes to acknowledge the contribution made by Brook Todd who honorably served a three year term on the Commission that ended in June 2010.

The Commission has one professional staff person, Conservation Agent Brent Baeslack (6 years), and a Senior Service person, Barbara (Jean) Blanchard (3 years). The Conservation Commission's office is located in Room 4 in the Town Hall Annex. Office hours are Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and appointments can be made on those days up until 5:00 p.m. The Commission may be contacted at conservation@TownofRowley.org or 978 948-2330. The Commission invites the public to

review the Conservation Bulletin Board in the Annex hallway where a variety of articles and items of interest are posted regularly.

The Commission thanks the citizens and the Board of Selectmen for the opportunity to serve the community in protecting Rowley’s natural resources now and for the future.

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Report of the Rowley Cultural Council

Council Members:

Mary Murphy, Chairperson
Heather Ferrara, Treasurer
Kathy Sullivan, Secretary
Susan Esco Chandler, Member
Jennette Loring, Member

The Rowley Cultural Council was able to award \$4,559.00 in grants for FY 2010 to benefit the people of our community. We received a total of 17 applications and were able to award 9 recipients.

Grant Recipients for FY 2010

1. Kate Carney, Council on Aging	\$328.00
2. Library Museum Passes	\$1435.00
3. Dick Kaplan, 4 th of July	\$350.00
4. Newburyport Choral Society, Concert	\$300.00
5. On Stage, Children’s Theater	\$546.00
6. Rowley Library, Earth Rhythms	\$550.00
7. Rowley Library, MFA passes	\$400.00
8. Triton MS, Saltmarsh, Past & Present	\$250.00
9. Lynn Toomey, Library Program	<u>\$400.00</u>
Total	\$4559.00

The Rowley Cultural Council is available to work with all groups in our town to help with the grant process. These grants help bring quality artists, programs, museum passes and events to the people of our community.

**To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:
Annual Report of the Zoning Board of Appeals
Calendar year 2010**

The Rowley Zoning Board of Appeals performs two functions:

- 1) As a Zoning Board of Appeals under MGL c.40A, s.12 & s.15 and c.40B, s.20-23**
- 2) As a Board of Appeals under MGL c.41, s. 81Z & s.81AA**

The Zoning Board of Appeals meets only when an application for Board action has been received, a proper “notice of meeting” has been advertised and notices to “parties-in-interest” and Town Boards have been sent out as required under Massachusetts General Laws.

Due to the continuing downturn in economic conditions, the board again saw few applications for special permits or variances in 2010 compared to several years ago as residents seemed less likely to embark upon new projects on their properties. Nevertheless, the Board heard 7 presentations for “informal discussions” from residents regarding potential changes or modifications to their properties, continues 3 hearings from 2009, and opened 5 new hearings, rendering decisions in 7 instances prior to the end of the calendar year and continuing 1 until 2011.

The Board also has completed an updated database of all decisions made by the ZBA since its creation in 1960. The database includes PDFs of all decisions and will facilitate research by the Town and the public on properties in Rowley.

The Board remains dedicated to attending educational workshops to stay on top of the latest developments in land use law. The Town’s Law Firm of Bracket & Lucas presented a workshop on ZBA administrative requirements at the Board’s July meeting. Also, in November and December, five (5) members attended workshops on special permits, variances, and non-conforming uses which were presented by the Planners Training Collaborative.

The Zoning Board meets on the third Thursday at 7:00 pm of each month when applications have been filed and accepted for review. To submit an application, please call our office at 978-948-2657 located in the Central Street School Building.

The Board welcomes input and feedback regarding Zoning issues throughout the town or on specific matters before the Board.

**REPORT OF THE ROWLEY POLICE DEPARTMENT
2010 Annual Report of the Rowley Police Department**

My first year as Chief of Police was very a rewarding experience but also presented some challenges. Our staff is reduced by two full time positions compared to 2009 which means more workload and less patrols on the street. I have taken steps to adjust scheduling and maximize coverage but it’s been at the expense of administrative functions and follow up investigations. This year we will be losing another full time officer to military deployment for a year which will tax our resources even further.

Three major weather events in February and March of 2010 had a significant impact town wide. A storm of short duration passed through the region with extraordinary wind gusts causing wide spread damage to trees, buildings, and power lines. Most of the North Shore was without power for several hours and parts of Rowley were not restored for days. Two heavy rain storms followed within the next few weeks and caused local flooding of roads and low lying property. All of these events required significant manpower to address and created many long hours for public safety and public utility personnel. All town departments and elected officials worked together in a cooperative effort to help mitigate the impact of these events.

In July a fatal car crash took the life of a Rowley resident on Haverhill Street and an intensive investigation into the cause led to charges being filed against the other driver. In August a young Rowley man fell from a step ladder and was killed when his head struck a nearby object. The State Police CPAC investigation ruled this to be accidental. My thoughts and sympathies go out to the families and friends of these victims whose lives came to such a tragic end.

In September Officer David Sedgwick was promoted to the rank of Sergeant filling a gap left in the command structure by the retirement of two ranking officers in 2009. Sergeant Sedgwick scored highest on the written test as well as the oral board during the selection process.

In December we were able to equip two cruisers with mobile data terminals to allow officers to access missing, wanted, and registry data directly from the vehicle. It also allows officers to complete reports from the cruiser and helps maximize their time on the road. We are one of the last police departments in the area to utilize this technology.

Future initiatives I expect to pursue to enhance delivery of police services to the community include replacement of our aging radio communications network, renovations the original section of the police station, and the addition of a full time officer. The State's fiscal situation will likely not be conducive to funding all of these initiatives so they are presented in order of priority. Our radio equipment will not be FCC compliant in December of 2012 and is no longer being supported by the manufacturer. We are experiencing failures making this a priority for 2011. The old section of the station needs flooring, paint, and other such maintenance as well as replacement of the HVAC. This building is 25 years old and is continually failing DPH cell inspections due to settling and cracking of cement floors and walls. Both of those projects would be a one-time capital expense. An additional officer would put patrols back on the street and allow us to put more focus on criminal investigations such as house breaks and drug trafficking. This would have an annual impact on the police budget and may not be feasible until the State progresses a little further into its economic recovery.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank both the current and previous Boards of Selectmen for their support over the past year. Their confidence in me and the staff of the Rowley Police Department allowed for a smooth transition of leadership from the retiring Chief Barry. The police department also worked closely with many of the town departments and elected officials throughout the year and we wish to thank them all for their support and cooperation.

2010 Statistics

Burglaries	11
Drug and Liquor Law Violations	45
Arrest/ Summons	211
Motor Vehicle Crashes	158
Medical Emergencies	334
Traffic Stops	2515
Traffic Citations	383

Animal Complaints	316
Total Police Log Entries	20,363

REPORT OF THE ROWLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT

In 2010 the fire department had one of its busiest years in recent memory when within 4 weeks time the town suffered two wide spread natural disasters. The first one was the February 25th wind storm that isolated much of the town with large trees knocked down and a town wide power outage that lasted 18 hours. The second disaster occurred in March with severe flooding that caused many roads in town to flood as well as many homes. During these two storms the fire department as well as other town departments worked diligently as possible to help mitigate the impact on the community in as short of time as possible during a very stressful time for all. I want to thank all town employees of the Police, Fire, Highway, Light, Water Departments as well as members of the Council on Aging, Conservation and Board of Health for their cooperation, and coordination in dealing with what ended up being a very challenging time for the town of Rowley. It is because of this coordinated effort the town was able to get back to a somewhat normal condition in as little time as possible.

Due to some lessons learned from these two incidents the Emergency Management Agency was able to procure a trailer for use as a mobile communications center for no cost, and it was also able to obtain a \$3,000.00 grant to purchase radios to install in the trailer. With this unit the town will be able to enhance its ability to coordinate many multi jurisdictional incidents in the future. Also during 2010 REMA was also able to secure homeland Security Council grant to purchase an additional light tower for emergency light and a cargo trailer to store traffic barricades and cones. Rowley Emergency Management has made these assets available to other town departments and organizations when needed.

The Fire Department has also had success with obtaining federal grants to purchase equipment, the first one was the departments second successful Assistance to Firefighting Grant (AFG) from the Department of Homeland Security. This grant totaled \$69,274.00 for the purchase of new fire hose, nozzles, hose tester and hose roller. The second grant was from the US Fish and Wildlife Service for \$3,700.00 for the purchase of new chain saws and safety equipment for use with these saws. Each piece of apparatus now carries at least on chain.

In total the Fire Department and REMA were able to obtain \$87,000 to purchase this needed equipment.

I want to thank all members of the Fire Department for their hard work this past year and I would also like to thank all employees of the town for their hard work during the wind storm and the flooding this past year, with that work we were able to recover from these disasters as quickly as we could.

The department responded to 641 calls from January 1 to Dec 31 2010 the following is a list of calls for 2009 and 2010 as categorized by the Massachusetts Fire Incident Reporting System

Type of Situation	2009	2010	Type of Situation	2009	2010
Building Fire	10	1	Service Call	3	3
Cooking Fire	10	5	Person in Distress	7	7
Burner/boiler malfunc.	4	1	Lock-out	7	4
Fire Camper/motor home	0	0	Ring/jewelry removal	0	0
Passenger Vehicle fire	4	2	Water evacuation	2	39
Road Freight/Transport	2	0	Water/Steam Leak	1	2
Forest/woods/wildland	0	1	Smoke removal	0	0
Brush/grass fires	0	5	Public Assist	2	1
Outside Fire	1	5	Assist Police	8	16
Overpressure rupture	0	0	Assist invalid	21	20
Medical assist EMS	27	46	Unauthorized burning	17	7

EMS call	231	201	cover assignment	7	8
EMS MVA	68	70	Good Intent other	3	1
EMS MVA Ped	0	0	Dispatched canceled	3	9
Missing Person Search	1	0	Smoke Scare	19	19
EMS standby	0	0	Steam Vapor Fog	1	1
MedFlight landing	0	1	Hazmat release invest.	3	5
Hazardous condition	12	17	Phone malicious false	0	0
Flammable liquid spill	4	6	System Malfunction	15	15
Natural gas leak	4	12	Smoke Det. Malf.	11	15
Chemical Hazard no spill	1	0	Heat Det Malfunction	1	1
Chemical spill or leak	0	0	System activation	21	21
Light Ballast breakdown	2	1	Co Detector malfunc	1	5
Power line down	4	10	Unintentional alarm	10	1
Arcing equipment	4	3	detector activation	61	61
MVA general cleanup	48	45	Carbon Monoxide	7	10
Citizens Complaint	0	0	Lightning strike	1	0
Severe weather standby	2	2			

REPORT OF THE INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen,

- New construction permits for 5 single-family dwellings were issued. The estimated value of new single-family construction was \$1,356,000.00, which gives an average for each single-family dwelling at \$271,200.00.
- Commercial construction accounted for 16 permits with an estimated value of \$2,404,902.00.
- Total fees received from all permits (building, gas, plumbing, electrical): \$86,381.60

BUILDING PERMITS

<u>TYPE</u>	<u># OF PERMITS</u>	<u>CONSTRUCTION VALUE</u>
Single-Family	5	1,356,000.00
Addition/Garage	8	468,420.00
Chimney/Woodstove/Pellet Stove	6	19,156.00
Outbuilding	10	130,905.50
Pool	3	99,114.00
Porch/Deck	11	199,300.00
Renovation/Alteration	71	942,173.10
Roofing/Siding	55	689,248.42
Commercial	16	2,404,902.00
Sign	2	1,900.00
Demolition	1	12,000.00
Total	188	\$6,320,119.02

Total Fees collected: \$64,040.00

PLUMBING AND GAS PERMITS

Plumbing permits issued for 2010 56
Gas permits issued for 2010 76
Total permits issued for 2010 132

Total fees collected: \$10,450.00

ELECTRICAL PERMITS

Electrical permits issued for 2010 132

Total fees collected: \$11,891.60

All inspections were completed pursuant to The Massachusetts Building Code 6th & 7th Editions, The Massachusetts Plumbing & Gas Code and The National Electrical Code. All reports and filings were carried out as required by law.

REPORT OF THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER & ANIMAL INSPECTOR

8 loose livestock calls
12 animals hit by motor vehicles (including wildlife)
10 cats reported missing
15 barking dog complaints
15 dogs P/U
30 reports of dogs running at large
25 wildlife related calls

Animal Inspector reports that no animals tested positive for rabies in 2010. Mass. General Laws requires all dogs six months or older to be vaccinated for rabies.

The breakdown of animals recorded during 51 barn inspections in 2009 are as follows:

Type of Animal	Number
Horse/ponies	215
Cattle	199
Sheep	9
Guinea Hens	10
Chickens	93
Goats	9
Donkeys	28
Waterfowl	20
Llamas/Alpacas	9
Peafowl	7

REPORT OF THE TREE DEPARTMENT

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen and Rowley Residents:

Maintenance and repairs of all the departments' equipment and tools had been performed throughout the year as scheduled or needed.

Selective pruning and trimming of shade trees throughout the town had been performed during the appropriate season.

The February wind storm had taken down approx 76 town trees though out the town. Almost every street had been detoured or shutdown at one time or another due to trees blocking or trees or limbs taking down wires making them impassable. Great efforts by all town employees and the equipment and we cannot for get the contractors and their crews clearing the roads in a short period of time. Then it took several weeks to clean up the mess.

A count of 240 Christmas trees had been dropped off by residents at the collection point at Eras Park and chipped up after all the snow and ice had melted. Just a note, Before you do drop your tree off for disposal please make sure that the tree is cleaned of all decorations and anything metal or plastic bags, as this will damage the equipment and is very dangerous for the employees, most of you do clean them: thank you

Several hazardous and dead trees were removed from Kittery Ave. Spencer Knowles Rd. and Dodge Rd.

Several yards of wood chips donated by Chickadee Hill Farms were installed around the trees on the commons around the town.

The Tree Warden wishes to thank the Rowley Municipal Light and Police Department management and staff members for their tremendous efforts in assisting the Tree Dept. during emergencies. Thank you to some unknown residents for your help in picking up debris from the roadways during and after storms.

REPORT OF THE HARBORMASTER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The 2010 boating season had one of the finest weather summers we have seen in a long time. Fuel prices at the docks hovered at approximately \$3.75/ gallon this season.

The river was marked with 43 navigational aids placed along the Rowley River Channel this year. The stationary pole "Solar Powered" flashing unit (1 FPS-white - visibility 1 mile) will be located at the end of the river on Hog Island again this year. Many boaters have requested that launch ramp users extend courtesy, whenever possible, to fellow users that would facilitate simultaneous launches. Our existing ramp is wide enough to accommodate simultaneous launches. I received approval this year from the Conservation Commission to clean up the town beach area using a local excavator contractor.

298 mooring/ slip/ launch permits issued in 2010 generated \$11,327.00. Fee for the Resident only Launch ramp is \$40/ permit, commercial clammers included. Mooring/ Slip permits was \$3.00 per foot for all boats in 2010. Parking fines are \$75 per violation to help preserve the launch area for town residents only.

These fees along with boat excise tax collections continue to make the Harbor department self-sufficient from a financial perspective.

The Town of Rowley Harbor Master department continues to operate a Pumpout boat on the Rowley River and Plum Island Sound including Ipswich and Newbury waters thanks to grant money awarded by the state in December 1996. 75% of all operating and capital costs were covered by this grant. The Dept. of Fisheries continues to allow "In-kind" expenses to be reimbursed as well. This has allowed for total reimbursement to the Town for the new Pumpout boat and its operating costs. The Pumpout boat is in operation for the months of May through October. The Pumpout boat pumped a total of 2,567 gallons of waste during the 2010 boating season. The number was down significantly over the 2009 season due to lower boating traffic likely driven by high fuel prices.

As always, we welcome boaters who wish to help marking the river this Spring. An announcement will be placed in the Daily News and The Town Common! Hip boots and gloves a must!

REPORT OF THE SHELLFISH DEPARTMENT

This past season was again very productive when the flats were open. There were no Red Tide closures but the flats were closed to harvesting soft shell clams for a total of 162 days due to rain closures. Most of these closures came during the peak of the clam season. The Shellfish Department continued to rotate the opening and closing of flats for the purpose of propagation. Also, there were many capture/protection nets placed on the flats to capture wild clam seed. These nets again worked very effectively.

There were several students that took advantage of the first issue of Junior Permits. These young people did very well as first time shellfishers and had a great experience in the work world. These Junior Permits will be available again in 2010 and we expect that more students will take advantage of this opportunity.

There were twenty six resident commercial permits issued this past year, fifty seven resident non-commercial, two non-resident non-commercial, six junior commercial and eleven private aquaculture licenses. Many of the commercial permits were little used, however, the non-commercial and junior permits were well used when regulations allowed.

We have made great progress in resolving the problem of erosion on Hog Island Point this year. Fifteen residents expressed an interest in leasing parcels on Hog Island Point with the intent of placing capture/protection nets on the plots. This should start a process of stopping the erosion

and start building the flat back to its previous level. Eight of these applicants qualified to be licensed and they requested and held a public hearing that approved the request. Very recently the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries provided nine marine biologists to inspect the flat to determine if the flat is non-productive. We expect a finding that it is non-productive and qualifies to be licensed. We expect that the licensees will be allowed to lay nets on the flats in the early Spring of 2010.

REPORT OF THE ROWLEY MUNICIPAL LIGHTING PLANT

www.rowleylight.com

The Light Commission and Manager are pleased to submit their Annual Report of the Rowley Municipal Lighting Plant (RMLP) for the year 2010.

POWER SUPPLY

Power cost to the Light Plant rose considerably as we entered into the first year of a three year contract. Our energy expenses climbed some 59% as compared to the expired all requirements contract. We were able to mitigate passing along a portion of the increase of the Rate Stabilization Fund that was established several years ago. There's good news for 2011 since market energy prices have been steadily decreasing, RMLP can pass on this cost saving benefit to our customers.

At RMLP we know the importance of managing the monies that are collected through the rate structure. As a municipally-owned and operated department we understand that we need to be frugal and we believe that frugality has led us to the efficient operation that we are today.

We routinely save money by performing as many tasks in-house as possible by utilizing our employees and tapping the vast wealth of knowledge, experience and ability that they have to offer from engineering and design work to billing and building maintenance.

While we are prudent with our expenditures, we also understand the need to make investments in RMLP's future. For example, we have invested in an automated meter reading system to improve our efficiency and are investing in ongoing distribution projects to enhance our system reliability and efficiency.

Even with the fiscal challenges we face with rising energy costs, our financial outlook remains stable. In fact, Standard & Poor's Rating Services raised our credit by two grades in December 2009 to an A+. The upgrade reflects their assessment of strong financial performance and liquidity that is expected to continue despite our transition to higher-cost power supply.

TRENDS IN SALES TO CUSTOMERS

During 2010 our kilowatt hour (kWh) sales not only increased by 4% from the previous year, but kWh sales were the highest on record. Extreme heat in July accounted for the all-time record for kWh sales and system demand.

Our peak demand followed a similar pattern to kWh sales with an all-time system peak of 11.9 MW, a 16% increase as compared with 2009. Our peak for the year occurred on July 6th between the hours of 4PM and 5PM when the temperature reached the mid 90's for the third consecutive day.

OUR SYSTEM

On February 25th, Rowley encountered a storm unlike others we have seen. It was the first time that Rowley had suffered so much damage in many years. RMLP received mutual aid from Merrimac, Groton (CT), and Norwich (CT) Public Utilities who, along with RMLP's crews, made it possible to have the majority of the town restored by Sunday evening. RMLP is very grateful to have such dependable and capable people nearby that we can call upon in emergencies. A special thank you to our line workers at RMLP who went above and beyond with such dedicated service to our customers.

CUSTOMER CONNECTIONS

In September, the staff of RMLP, town departments, friends and neighbors celebrated our 100th anniversary of providing power to Rowley. To celebrate the occasion, we enjoyed safety demonstrations and entertainment

with give-a-ways, balloons, pumpkin decorating, face painting and refreshments. RMLP would like to extend our sincerest thanks to the businesses and folks in Rowley for their generous donations and time towards this event.

We developed a web site as an informational and educational tool for our customers. It contains everything from how to start electric service to ways that individuals and businesses can save energy. Customers are now able to access and pay a bill on our web site in hopes to provide customers with a convenient alternative to automated ACH payments or mailing payments. Bills paid by the last day of the month will continue to enjoy our early payment discount.

RMLP has continued to seek conservation and efficiency programs to help our customers save energy and reduce their electric costs. Our appliance rebate program gave back \$4,915 to our customers, and eight customers received a free energy audit.

CONTRIBUTIONS AND SERVICES PROVIDED TO TOWN

- RMLP funded the cost of energy used for street lighting, saving the town \$24,344. Additionally, RMLP maintains all street lighting at no cost to the town. We have begun changing over to LED street lights which should incur even more electricity savings along with a substantially longer bulb life.
- The town maintains all interest earned from RMLP's operating cash account that is co-mingled in the town's general fund.
- Our crews hung flags along Route 1A for Veteran's Services for various holidays throughout the year.
- We used our staff and equipment to decorate and light the trees and gazebo on Town Common for the holiday season. We also funded the full conversion to LED energy saving lights in 2010.
- We continue to support The Salvation Army's Good Neighborhood Energy Fund and Coats for Kids.

This year brought some changes to the staff. RMLP's Office Manager, Nancy Teel, retired in spring 2010. We wish Nancy the best with the next phase of her life. Eric Grover has taken over as Office Manager. With over 12 years at RMLP, Eric brings his knowledge of many areas of the Department to this position. In April, RMLP welcomed Sandra Naugler to the position of Distribution Clerk. She has significant business experience in the private arena, and we welcome her transition to the public sector. The guidance and co-operation of the Municipal Light Board and the devotion to duty and good work of our employees is gratefully acknowledged.

The co-operation extended by other town departments is very much appreciated.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

David L. Levesque, Chairman

G. Robert Merry

Aldene E. Gordon

RMLP's Unaudited 2010 Financial Statements				
Balance Sheet		Current 2010	History 2009	Variance
<i>Current</i>	Cash - Unrestricted	\$8,754	\$177,756	(\$169,002)
<i>Assets</i>	Cash - Restricted	\$5,234,820	\$5,534,189	(\$299,369)
	Accounts Receivable from Customers	\$181,217	\$67,570	\$113,646
	Accounts Receivable - Other	\$16,442	\$71,584	(\$55,143)
	Prepaid Expenses	\$462,387	\$460,547	\$1,840

<i>Plant & Equipment</i>	Distribution Plant, Net (FERC 360-389)	\$3,194,845	\$3,164,470	\$30,375
	General Plant, Net (FERC 390-399)	\$832,623	\$801,873	\$30,750
	Inventory	\$69,144	\$94,392	(\$25,248)
Total Assets		\$10,000,231	\$10,372,382	(\$372,151)
<i>Liabilities</i>	Accounts Payable	\$300,431	\$477,893	(\$177,463)
	Bond & Interest Payable	\$220,000	\$330,000	(\$110,000)
	Reserve for Collections	\$450	\$1,414	(\$964)
	Contribution and Construction	\$1,208,207	\$1,205,825	\$2,382
	Other: Customer Deposits	\$115,679	\$97,590	\$18,089
	Loan Repayment	\$2,070,970	\$1,960,970	\$110,000
	Appropriations			
Total Liabilities		\$3,915,737	\$4,073,693	(\$157,956)
<i>Retained Earnings</i>	Accumulated Retained Earnings	\$6,133,564	\$5,296,926	\$836,639
	2010 Unaudited Net Income (Loss)	(\$49,071)	\$1,001,763	(\$1,050,833)
Total Retained Earnings		\$6,084,494	\$6,298,689	(\$214,195)
Income Statement		Current 2010	History 2009	Variance
<i>Revenues</i>	Residential	\$3,407,065	\$2,922,489	\$484,576
	Commercial	\$2,502,462	\$2,181,531	\$320,930
	Municipal	\$181,689	\$160,945	\$20,744
	Interest Earned	\$34,653	\$54,421	(\$19,768)
	Other Electric Revenues	\$42,569	\$60,372	(\$17,803)
Total Revenues		\$6,168,437	\$5,379,758	\$788,679
<i>Expenses</i>	Purchased Power & Transmission	\$4,845,541	\$3,078,254	\$1,767,287
	Operations, Supervision & Engineering	\$0	\$15,483	(\$15,483)
	Stockroom & Station Equipment Costs	\$20,437	\$6,446	\$13,991
	Underground & Overhead Lines	\$374,108	\$301,863	\$72,246
	Street Lights, Signals, and Fire Alarms	\$10,457	\$9,899	\$557
	Meter Reading and Installation Costs	\$18,522	\$32,421	(\$13,899)
	Distribution & Line Transformer Maintenance	\$13,062	\$21,021	(\$7,959)
	Supervision, Records, Collection & Uncollection	\$117,586	\$114,875	\$2,712
	Energy Conservation	\$4,425	\$1,850	\$2,575
	Advertising	\$6,570	\$1,263	\$5,307
	Administrative Salaries	\$162,806	\$154,115	\$8,691

Office Supplies, Utilities, & Maintenance Contracts	\$14,429	\$14,209	\$220
Outside Services and Consultants	\$70,818	\$70,340	\$477
Insurance: Property, Injuries & Damages	\$23,544	\$21,427	\$2,117
Employer's portion of Pension & Benefits	\$132,166	\$121,498	\$10,668
General Plant & Miscellaneous	\$135,578	\$131,195	\$4,383
Transportation	\$37,872	\$30,720	\$7,152
Depreciation	\$217,857	\$212,311	\$5,546
Interest	\$11,729	\$16,198	(\$4,469)
Total Expenses	\$6,217,508	\$4,355,388	\$1,862,120
RMLP's Unaudited 2010 Net Income (Loss)	(\$49,071)	\$1,024,370	(\$1,073,441)

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

The Highway Department equipment and facilities were serviced and repaired throughout the year as scheduled or as needed. A new dump body had to be purchased for truck # 3.

March 14, rains caused significant flooding and damage to pipes, catch basins and shoulder washouts around the town. The flood caused a 40' under drain on West Ox-pasture Ln. to collapse and the highway replaced the pipe in July. In September the highway department repaired the granite culvert on Cross St. All catch basins were cleaned in late spring. Once again several drainage pipes needed to be flushed last summer and late fall with the assistance of the Newburyport DPS providing a Vacuum Truck and personnel. Fifteen catch basins were repaired at various locations around town, three was completely rebuilt and one new replacement basin had been installed. All catch basins were maintained during rain, snow and ice storms to help prevent street flooding.

Routine pothole patching, rut filling and sidewalk repairs had been performed throughout the year as needed. Gravel roads were graded throughout the year at the request of the residents. The highway crew performed roadside mowing and trimming throughout the season. Brushing the roadsides had also been performed in the summer and fall.

The Highway Department obtained workers from The Department of Corrections for 2 days this year to perform graffiti and mold removal at Town Hall walkway and monuments, Library granite benches and removal of graffiti on Spencer Knowles concrete walls using baking soda and high pressure water system. Community Service workers assisted the highway department removing snow from X-walks approaches, ramps, and stairs at town buildings. They also assisted the Department with spring clean-up, mulching of trees and shrubs.

Street line painting, stop bars and crosswalks had been painted during the mid-summer. Many signs consisting of regulatory street names stop, and speed limit signs and other non-regulatory signs had been repaired or

replaced throughout the town most were due to motor vehicle accidents and vandalism and some were replaced due to weathered conditions.

The 2010 winter season was snowy and cold, plowing and sanding with some consisting of two and three days straight and also sanding many non plowing storms with black ice created a very busy season for the Highway Department. The season consisted of plowing and sanding of streets, Town Building parking areas, walkways, and steps. Plowing and sanding of the Pine Grove School parking and playground areas. Distributing sand barrels throughout the town and maintaining them as needed. Plowing, shoveling and deicing of the major sidewalks leading to the school had been accomplished when possible,

Many areas of sidewalks were blocked with trash bags, barrels, cars and snow banks delaying the removal for a clear passage. We recognize and appreciate some of the residents clearing the sidewalks in front of their property and beyond, we thank you.

Chapter 90 work consisted of finishing the west section of Wethersfield Street. Other chapter 90 work consisted of overlaying Railroad Ave., Cross St., School St., Oyster Point Rd., Summer St., Independent St., Daniels Rd., Dodge Rd. and a section of Leslie Rd. with a price tag of \$391,628 which is 100% reimbursed.

The Highway Department wishes to thank all Town Officials, Boards, Committees, and Departments, and for most of all the residents for their continued support and teamwork that makes Rowley a great community to live in.

The Highway Department staff wishes everyone to have a Safe and Happy New Year.

REPORT OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT

Maintenance Report 1/1/10 – 12/31/10

169,879,098 gallons of water sold
6 hydrants replaced
14 new water services
12 water line repairs
7 gate valves replaced
190 meter replacements/upgrades

2010 was a very busy year for the Water Department. Along with normal maintenance many unforeseen repairs were required. 7 water main gate valves on the original system had to be replaced due to breakage or were non functional as the original system begins to show it's age. The extreme winter also contributed to more than normal vehicle repairs from long hours of snow plowing.

The new Groundwater Rule and Chemical Control Strategy implemented by the State required the installation of very expensive new equipment at the stations to monitor and alarm chemical feeds and detection of disinfection free residuals.

The Town of Rowley was also in receipt of an Administrative Consent Order to provide treatment on Wells #3 and #5 due to degrading water quality. A small test plant was brought in and a Pilot Test was completed and approved at a cost of \$132,000.00 which cleared the way for the ongoing design and construction of the new plant. The Town was very fortunate to receive a loan from the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund of \$7.988 million at 2% instead of the current 4% bond issue. This saves the rate payers close

to \$3 million dollars over the life of the loan. The Water Department, our engineers, town boards and employees all worked hard and diligently to accomplish this complicated and lengthy task.

Construction of the new maintenance garage on Central Street is underway with part of the work being done by Whittier Vocational Technical School. The Water Department expects to realize savings on this project as the school does this work at no charge to the town. Completion by the end of 2011 is the goal.

The meter upgrade project has begun to convert existing meters to radio read enabling the Water Department to do monthly billing the same as other utilities. This allows for increased water rates required to fund the plant project to be spread out over 12 months each year. They also provide detailed reports on water use, leakage, and other reports so that customers are able to analyze their water consumption.

We would like to thank Scott Martin for his ten years service as Chairman of the Water Board. Scott was instrumental in bringing the above mentioned projects to fruition involving a large donation of his time at no cost to the Town, as well as many other projects in the past.

As always we would like to thank Town Officials, Boards, and Residents for their assistance and support throughout the year.

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

The work performed in the Cemetery Department in 2010 has been carried out in the usual manner. We have performed the following:

- Dug and filled 30 graves
- 15 gravestone footings
- Raised and reset 45 headstones
- Graded and filled graves as needed
- Replaced 1500 feet of waterline and added water to Section G
- Graded and loamed to extend Section G
- Removed all overgrown bushes and trimmed all other bushes in Cemetery

The members of the Cemetery Commission are: Peter Dalzell, Chairman and Stuart Dalzell, Jr., Clerk

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Honorable Board of Selectmen and Rowley Residents:

The Board of Health is pleased to inform you of our activities during this past year; implementing and overseeing the laws, policies and regulations of the Town, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. The Board of Health Department, in part under State mandate, responds to emergency planning requirements, issues permits and licenses in addition to conducting inspections for approximately 200 individual licensees and associated multiple licensing and inspection requirements for septic installers, sewage haulers, solid waste haulers, retail/wholesale food establishments, mobile food, food service establishments, retail tobacco, public swimming pools, motels, children's recreational camps, private drinking water wells, funeral directors, portable toilets, and body tanning. Additionally, the Board of Health stores and administers vaccines, addresses concerns of public nuisances, air quality, noise control, indoor air quality, limited animal/insect control including beaver and mosquito management concerns, food protection, housing complaints, Title 5 compliance, and communicable disease reporting, or any other issues affecting the public health. The Board of Health provides services and support to citizens including senior wellness clinic, influenza vaccine clinics, medical sharps collection, mercury recovery collection, hazardous waste, electronics, and white metal/Freon collection.

During the annual flu season, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health supplied the Board of Health a combined vaccine for seasonal influenza and H1N1 flu virus. The combined seasonal/H1N1 flu vaccine was

provided initially to first responders, high-risk residents, and the senior population as is usual for the Board of Health. Additionally, the vaccine was administered to the general population. Clinics were held in November, and the Board of Health Nurse was available to residents for appointments. Throughout the season the Board of Health staff and Health Nurse were available to answer questions and respond to concerns. The office responded to calls regarding seasonal/H1N1 flu vaccine. No person was refused vaccine by the Board of Health.

The Septic Loan Program continues to be a success using the competitive rate of two percent for new loans. As of December 2010, 57 loans have been approved totaling \$1,157,356.38 loaned out. Twenty-five loans have been paid in full totaling \$419,092.18 received back into the program. A total of \$738,264.20 is currently outstanding for the 32 active loans. The current success of this program encourages residents to replace failed septic systems. The Board of Health will continue participation in this program and use of funds from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust.

The Board of Health sponsored the fifth Household Hazardous Waste Day held in the Town on November 20, 2010. The turnout of 167 cars shows there is a consistent need for household hazardous waste removal from the Town. Clean Harbors was hired to remove the following hazardous waste materials: oil based paint; waste fuels; aerosols; acid, base, and oxidizer type chemicals; liquid and solid pesticides; mercury; household batteries; and fluorescent bulbs. In addition, the Board of Health contracted the removal of 91 televisions, CRT's, and computer monitors; 9 propane tanks; 15 car batteries; and 78 automobile tires. The fourth annual White Goods / Light Metal and Electronics Recycling Event was held on May 8, 2010. Winfield Alloy, Inc. was contracted to remove for recycling the following: 9.78 tons of metal/light iron; 750 pounds of material and items with Freon (refrigerators, air conditioners); and 6,603 pounds of computer scraps, printers and PCs, CRTs and TVs that were generated by the Town. The Board of Health plans to continue holding these types of events because of the public interest shown in past years.

The Board of Health is continuing to work at the local and regional level on emergency response planning relative to infectious disease emergencies, bioterrorist events, and natural disasters. The Rowley Board of Health is a participant in the Regional Emergency Planning Committee, a cooperative effort with area Police and Fire Departments, through joint training and planning. Rowley also is an active participant in Region 3A Northeast Public Health Coalition, a coalition of 14 surrounding cities and towns working together to develop emergency plans and mutual aid. The Board of Health Members and staff have completed trainings required for emergency response planning and participated in training exercises. The Board of Health is continuing to build the Medical Reserve Corps and recruit volunteers locally and regionally in connection with the Topsfield Regional Medical Reserve Corps.

The Board of Health is participating in local water quality testing in cooperation with the Parker River Clean Water Association. Water quality testing sites continue to be included to ensure cumulative data for review is collected throughout Rowley's waterways.

The Health Department has increased outreach to the community by providing services valued by the local population. The Board of Health continues its cooperation with the Pine Grove School, the Parks and Recreation Committee, and the Eastern Massachusetts Girl Scouts to provide adequate protection from mosquito and tick infestations in the public areas frequented by children and families. Continued support is provided to the wellness clinic through the Council on Aging. The Board of Health continues to work closely with the Council on Aging, TRIAD, and other community involvement groups to provide assistance to residents of Rowley. The program to collect and properly dispose of lancets, needles and medical sharps is in place for the fifth year and has been very successful. This innovative program is being used as a model by other Towns. The Board of Health has also put mercury recovery collection programs for thermostats, batteries, light bulbs and thermometers in place. Through a state grant, the office is able to exchange mercury containing thermometers for digital. As a part of Healthy Communities Tobacco Control Program, educational and regulatory compliance checks were conducted at the local retail level for sale of tobacco products.

Goals for calendar year 2011 include maintaining quality service and professionalism in the office and in the field. Offering and expanding services and programs necessary and useful to the local populations in the upcoming year is

a priority. The staff and Board members will continue to meet the high expectations for communication on public health issues and address public health concerns with the proficiency that residents have come to expect from the Board of Health. The Members of the Board and staff wish to thank the residents and various Boards for their support and will continue to expand the capacity in which the Town is served.

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

To the Honorable Selectmen and the Citizens of Rowley: To the Honorable Selectmen and the Citizens of Rowley:

The year 2010 was an active, productive year for the Council on Aging. Our various holiday events and trips were very successful and well attended. The trips extended all over New England, from Cabbage Island in Boothbay Harbor to spending a day viewing the ocean and the scenery in Kennebunkport, Maine.

The Veteran's Supper continued to be a part of the senior activities, this was held at the council near Memorial Day and was well attended by Rowley Veterans.

The business aspect of the Council conducted flu clinics, for all Rowley residents as well as town departments. Our thanks to the nurses who volunteered their time to staff the many flu clinics the town provided.

Senior wellness clinics were offered one a monthly basis, both here and at the Plantation senior housing. Many hours were spent with seniors sorting out the changes in insurance coverage, as well as notices of change from Medicare and Prescription Advantage...

The number of seniors, 60 and over continues to grow as the town's population increases and baby boomers come of age.

The "Meals on Wheels" program, which is funded by a grant from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs, client contributions, and citizen donations, served approximately 3150 meals in Rowley. The program remains viable due to the dedication of faithful volunteers who give their time every week to deliver the meal to client's door five days a week. Without this volunteer component the program could not exist.

The estimated value of volunteer services in 2010 at the Council was over \$75,000.

The Council now has scan ability and each member has a scan card they wave before a screen and choose the activity they're participating in, the computer tallies all attendances and statistics are readily available which assist us when applying for grants and funding.

The Council on Aging is also an active part of the TRIAD Program in Rowley. TRIAD has completed several projects in town, the more recent the "Grab & Go Bags" campaign conducted with the help of the Boy Scouts. Triad is composed of Rowley Police, Sheriff's Dept. and Senior Citizens. One of Triad's main objectives is protecting seniors from the many scams that are directed toward the elderly population. They accomplish this by making seniors aware of any new scams that have emerged.

The Council continues to print their own newsletter, and with the help of the "Volunteer Newsletter Team," The newsletters are folded and ready for mailing in a matter of hours and all 750 copies reach Rowley seniors by the beginning of each month. The newsletter is also available on the Town website (www.townofrowley.com) and many seniors read it on the internet, saving the council paper and postage.

The Rowley Public Library has offered seniors beginning computer classes, so many of Rowley's seniors are now "Surfing the Web".

The council wishes to thank the Town for its unfailing support, and all the volunteers who are the backbone and support of all our ventures. We also thank the Friend's Organization for their help and support with all our endeavors.

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL COMMISSION & HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During the year 2010, the Historic District Commission issued a total of Twenty (20) Certificates of Appropriateness, one (1) Certificate of Hardship and no (0) Certificates of Non-Applicability or Certificates of Hardship. There were a total of twenty-one (21) applications by property owners for new construction or proposed renovation work on their property within the limits of the established Historic Districts.

The primary mission of the Rowley Historic District Commission is to act as a design review for projects located within the historic districts. Significant among those reviews this year were a number of planned restorations to historic structures, including Reindeer Tavern and the Evans Building in the town center, and on Wethersfield Street, the Old Ezekiel Rogers School (former public library).

The guidance and recommendations provided by the commission maintain the rural character of our seventeenth century town. Since the passage of the Historic District Bylaw in 1998 the Commission has assisted numerous property owners with the application process for their proposed building additions, alterations, repairs, as well as new building construction. This assistance is provided upon request, or as required when a building permit is applied for within the designated districts.

The Historical Commission meets each month to consider issues concerning preservation and awareness of the historic character, places and artifacts in the town. Any property owner who has questions or comments of any historical concern such as historical house documentation, house plaque acquisition, inventories of historical sites on file, or other historical matters is invited to attend a regularly scheduled monthly meeting held at the Town Hall Annex, 39 Central Street, on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 P.M., or to contact the Historical Commission.

REPORT OF THE ROWLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of Rowley:

The Rowley Public Library continues to be a busy and lively town center. 2010 was a record setting year for items loaned with a total of 40,497, a 10% increase over the previous year. Patron visits to the library increased by 15% to 33,064. Clearly families appreciate the convenience and economy of utilizing their library for both entertainment and informational needs. Almost 200 people per week stop by just to use the 14 public access computers. Many folks come in to view the monthly exhibits in the gallery and display case on loan from local artists and artisans. Our four meeting rooms were used 347 times by community organizations for their meetings and events.

The collection continues to grow as well, now totaling over 40,000 items including books, magazines, newspapers, videos on DVD and cassette, music CDs, software, audio books on tape,

CD, mp3CD, playaway devices, and as digital downloads. Newly available this year are ebooks that can be downloaded to various readers and smart phones. We are looking forward to adding curriculum based discovery kits of multimedia sets next year, made possible by the award of a federal grant.

211 families took advantage of discounted admission at cultural institutions with our museum pass program, funded by the Rowley Cultural Council, the Friends of the Library, and a generous individual donor. Over 4,000 people attended one of our 195 events for all ages, which included story times, crafts, lectures, concerts, classes, games, movies, and book discussions. Most of these were sponsored by our very generous Friends group who fund raise all year round for programming and other needs, notably the 9th annual chili cook off this fall and the annual book sale in May. Many thanks go out to them and all the volunteers who help us throughout the year.

So if you haven't been to your library lately, stop by and see what we have to offer, or to let us know what services or materials you'd like to see us add.

REPORT OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Parks & Recreation Committee

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The Rowley Parks and Recreation Committee met consistently throughout the year during 2010. The current Committee met many challenges this past year, and enjoyed much success in improving the condition of numerous fields. Glen Fougere has been serving in the role of Chairman and Tim Southall was recently selected to serve as Vice-Chair

During 2010, we regretfully accepted the resignations of Mo Levasseur and Kara McCormack who have provided numerous hours of service and support to the Town to provide a better environment for our children to play and thrive; they will be missed dearly. On a positive note, two new members have joined the committee; John Tidmarsh and Mike Killion enlisted to improve upon all aspects of our committee. At this time, all of the youth organizations who utilize the fields are represented on the board which is a positive for all groups.

Significant projects were managed by the committee this past year which included the re-seeding and upgrade to Veteran's Field at Pine Grove and new fencing installed at Eiras Park to provide a safer environment for all baseball participants. Other field projects included updating various sprinkler systems and installing additional trash barrels at all sites. The committee also involved in volunteering time for the construction of Kids Kingdom playground Eiras Park. As we are trying to incorporate more family events into our service, the Parks and Recreation Committee sponsored the Concert on the Common held in August which was attended over 300 hundred residents and was considered a big success. The committee would like to personally thank all of the vendors who participated; The Rowley Roadside, Rowley House of Pizza and White Farms.

Other ideas that they have been brought forward during the year were a snowman day, and a scavenger hunt. We are trying to utilize the Town Website to advertise our activities for more involvement. In 2011 the Committee will be will working with several Town groups to develop the Bradstreet property to provide additional space for all residents use for numerous outdoor activities. There are seven current members of the Rowley Parks and Recreation Committee each serve on three sub-committees and serve as chair person on one. The Committee is also looking to fill to open paid positions which will provide additional assistance in moving projects along. We encourage Town residents to reach out to us if interested.

The sub-committee chairperson for each committee is:

Glen Fougere, User Fees Committee; Mike Quinn; Budget & Finance Committee; Mike Killion, Parks & Services Coordinator Committee; John Tidmarsh, Recreation Committee; Lisa Paquette, Recreation Committee, Kurt Annen, CPA Committee; Tim Southall, Field Maintenance Committee. Each committee has three members and meets on an as needed basis. They are all open to your suggestions and ideas for improvement. We would like to thank the residents of Rowley for their support to make all our improvements possible.

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REPORT OF THE ROWLEY HOUSING AUTHORITY

To The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The Rowley Housing Authority has once again had a busy and productive year. The twelve units of family housing located at Depot Way remain full with a lengthy list of families waiting for vacancies to occur. At the forty-two units of elderly housing located on Plantation Drive, the Authority is always looking for elderly Rowley residents to apply. If you are interested, please contact the office at 978-948-2371, for information.

The end units at all the buildings on Plantation Drive were painted and repaired by inmates from the work release program set up by the Essex County Sheriff Department. With this program the Authority saved several thousand dollars.

In addition the Newburyport Court Community Service program has spent many hours doing grounds work at Plantation and it is much appreciated.

At Plantation, all hall lights were replaced with recessed energy efficient bulbs, and the last phase of the sidewalk paving was completed.

At Depot Way our Family site all building were power washed and new covers were placed on the rain gutters. With the help of the Rowley Highway Department the road at Depot Way was repaved.

The Board would like to extend special thanks on behalf of both the Authority and the residents of Plantation, to the Rowley Council on Aging for the service and cooperation it provides.

Finally, the Authority would like to thank all Town Boards and Officials for their assistance and cooperation during the past year, especially the Police, Fire, and Highway Departments.

The Board would like to thank Ms. Cheryl Todd Draper for 10 years on the Authority Board and she will be missed.

REPORT OF THE EASTERN ESSEX DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES

This department is charged under Chapter 115 Massachusetts General Laws with providing services to veterans, their survivors and dependents. Principal workload under state law includes the administration of aid to veterans and dependents. Communities fund this program, which is subsequently 75% reimbursed the following fiscal year by the Commonwealth. This is a need based program and the department is required to conduct periodic

comprehensive review of the cases to insure no substantive facts have changed, while working with the veteran to identify alternative or long-term solutions to individual circumstances. During the calendar year Rowley had four veterans/widows and two spouses on this program. The Commonwealth made dramatic administrative changes to the program in 2010 requiring all submissions and authorizations to be paperless and submitted via the Health and Human Services computer and supporting documents also electronically transmitted. Under state law the department also assists qualified veterans to obtain bonuses, and qualified veterans, widows and parents to obtain state annuities, property tax abatements, and other benefits.

The Veterans' Services program also mandates extensive interaction within the federal community, principally with the Department of Veterans' Affairs. The Veterans' Service Officer (VSO) assists veterans and their dependents in filing for pensions, service connected injury/illness compensation, dependency indemnity compensation for survivors, VA healthcare enrollment, insurance claims, decedent claims, and many other issues. Federal benefits processed by this department are paid directly to those eligible to receive the assistance or entitlement. In 2010 the VA sent approximately \$307,000 to eligible recipients in Rowley, of which the current staff is responsible for approximately \$195,000 dollars paid to or saved by those assisted in Rowley.

Additionally, the department interacts within the federal community to correct military records, obtain needed documentation and insure veterans/dependents receive awards and recognition to which entitled. The VSO provided information, advice or assistance to 24 of the town's 415 *identified* veterans and 5 of the 77 *identified* veterans' widows during 2010. We also provide support and information assistance for National Guard and Reserves called up for service in Iraq or Afghanistan and their families.

The Director and the Assistant to the Director, Georgia Gadbois, advocate for veterans on issues at the local, state and federal level, interact with elected and appointed officials on issues, and work with local organizations in serving the community. During the winter of 2010 the District also provided veterans' services assistance to the City of Gloucester as requested/authorized by the Board of Directors and the Massachusetts Department of Veterans' Services.

The Eastern Essex District is composed of the Towns of Essex, Georgetown, Hamilton, Ipswich, Rowley, West Newbury and Wenham. A Board of Directors consisting of one selectman (or designee) from each town maintains oversight. Mr. Richard Cummings is the Rowley member of the Board of Directors.

REPORT OF WHITTIER VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL ANNUAL OPERATIONAL REPORT

TO: The Honorable Board of Selectmen

FROM: David Irving, Whittier Representative
William P. DeRosa, Superintendent

Whittier offers 20 vocational technical career areas designed to provide the necessary training and skills for further education or work force success.

Whittier's academic program is designed to offer students the fundamental skills through its core curriculum in English, Math, Science and Technology, Social Studies, World Languages, Physical Education/Health, and Elective subjects. Courses are aligned with the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks in order to achieve success on the MCAS.

Courses are offered in a sequential format and are integrated with the vocational-technical areas, wherever practicable and mutually beneficial. All academic courses offer advanced sections for students who desire to

further their education. We offer honors courses in English, science, and math to lead toward advanced placement courses. Moreover, a Tech Prep program is offered to eleventh and twelfth grade students which parallels the College Prep program and provides students with the opportunity to earn college credit and/or advanced college placement.

Since all programs are open to both females and males, we encourage our students to explore and to specialize in non-stereotyped, non-traditional vocational-technical areas and to strive for the maximum realization of their goals and potential.

Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School is entering its thirty-seventh year. To date we have graduated 9,165 students from the day school.

The enrollment for the Evening School from Rowley: 7

The October 1, 2009 Day School Enrollment:

	Boys	Girls
Grade 9	1	2
Grade 10	6	2
Grade 11	4	0
Grade 12	2	0
Total –	17	

2010 Graduates – 2

The cost to Rowley for the school year 2009-2010 was \$248,864.00.

REPORT OF THE TRITON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL OFFICIALS – 2010/11

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

2010 has seen the district continuing to emphasize important ongoing work that develops best instructional practices in meeting the needs for all children, while exploring some different ways of working under a new Superintendent of Schools.

Kate Carbone, who joined the district management team in August 2010 as Chief Academic Officer, is taking a lead role in the implementation of the state's Race To The Top initiative. This involves the development of an improved teacher evaluation system; developing a clear summary of the curriculum and what we want students to know, understand and be able to do at each grade level across all subjects; developing a clinical model for analyzing and interpreting student assessment data; and extending and consolidating the work that had already begun to ensure that high school students experience a rigorous challenge across all grade levels, and receive comprehensive counseling and guidance services.

Since his appointment as Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, Brian Forget has been working with me to develop a more participative and transparent budget development process. The School Improvement Plans developed under the aegis of the School Councils must now align closely with service development proposals, and the budget is developed through a wider discussion among the stakeholders. For its part the School Committee has established a District Budget Advisory Committee that provides the opportunity for a formative dialogue between representatives of the towns, the committee and the administration.

The committee's goals for the year include the development of a more transparent and participative budget development process and a public relations plan, together with making a start on a review of its strategic plan.

This year a District Coordinating Council has been established as part of an initiative to broaden the discussion on issues facing the district and the schools. The Council, which meets with me, consists of the parent presidents of school Councils and PTAs and representatives of the education foundations and Tempo, the parent music support group. The meetings provide opportunity for parents to raise issues, and to review upcoming district business.

Newbury Elementary School opened the 2010 school year with a new leadership of team of Principal Michael Tracy (an alumnus) and Assistant Principal Heather Leonard, who previously worked together in similar capacities at Gloucester's middle school. By all accounts parents are pleased with the energy, visibility and openness that is characteristic of their work.

State test results for the MCAS continue to improve with scores improving by an aggregate 25 percentage points across 13 tests. Across the district as a whole students are on track towards the federal goal of universal proficiency in Mathematics and Language Arts by 2014. However, we must continue to pay attention to the progress of students with special needs and from low-income families.

For many students the school does not end with the conclusion of the last formal class of the day. Thanks to a substantial federal grant and staff initiative we continue to provide an unusually rich range of after-school opportunities at the middle and high schools. PTAs also continue to support such programs across the district.

The improved quality of district schools services is reflected in the reducing number of families who choose to send their children to schools in other districts, and the growing number of families who choose Triton schools rather than those of their home district.

My warmest thanks to all who support the district's schools, and recognize them as an important investment in the future of the community.

PINE GROVE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

To the Citizens of the Town of Rowley:

Pine Grove School began the year with a great deal of enthusiasm and positive energy. We have established a theme of "Trust Unto Transparency" as we continue to develop as a Professional Learning Community. ***A Professional Learning Community is a group of people working interdependently together towards a common goal to improve student learning based on results rather than intentions.***

This past fall Pine Grove School opened with approximately 570 students. The school offers three full day kindergartens as well as two half day sessions. Our excellent preschool program provides options for many of our families. Last spring our Early Childhood Program received NAEYC Accreditation. Parents of full day students pay tuition for half of the day, with a sliding fee scale available for those who need assistance.

Pine Grove students performed well in last year's MCAS testing. During the October Professional Development Day, teachers in grades three through six did their annual analysis of MCAS data. Teachers and administrators use this data to help focus instruction and to identify new ways to help every child succeed. Supports, such as MCAS tutoring and afterschool homework help, are put in place for children who need additional help in specific academic areas, and the math and reading specialist also work with children both individually and in small groups.

Pine Grove School continues to develop *Response to Intervention* (RTI) for all struggling students. RTI is the use of research-based instruction and interventions to students who are at risk and may be suspected of having specific learning disabilities. A three tiered model is implemented when providing RTI.

Balanced Literacy continues to be the model for reading and writing instruction at Pine Grove School. Teachers instruct students in reading for an hour and writing for an hour using the workshop model. This model provides teachers with the opportunity to differentiate the instruction in order to meet the needs of all learners. This year we are focusing as a staff on Guided Reading. Several presentations by the reading recovery teacher and the reading specialist have taken place at our monthly staff meetings. The *Investigations Math Program* is now fully implemented in grades K-5, and students

demonstrate a remarkably high level of critical thinking in solving math problems. We have been fortunate to have reading and math specialists who support both teachers and students in finding new ways to help every child experience academic success.

The *Pine Grove Safety Committee* continues to work diligently to establish and review emergency protocols for potentially dangerous situations that could occur at the school. Protocols and procedures are continually revisited based on the information that is learned from these drills. Pine Grove is fortunate to have such excellent communication and collaboration with the town's safety agencies.

The *Pine Grove School Student Council* is an active group of fifth and sixth grade students. They assist in the Pine Grove School Store and raise funds to contribute to various charitable organizations. This past year, their particular focus continued to be on the environment. This year their focus will be to continue 'Going Green'. We have a brand new compost bin on campus in which the student council uses on a regular basis. Members of the Student Council also maintain the paper recycling program at Pine Grove School, and organize activities to promote school spirit throughout the grades.

P.T.A. helped purchase a variety of resources for PGS in addition to funding field trips for students across all grade levels. *R.P.E.F* (Rowley Public Education Fund) continues to enrich the school by providing a wide array of cultural enrichment opportunities for all students. They also have been instrumental in providing necessary resources to support instruction at PGS. The school is grateful to both of these organizations for all that they do to support the school.

The *Kid's Club Program* continues to provide before school daycare for families from 7:00AM to 8:10AM, as well as after school daycare from 3:00-6:00PM.

Pine Grove School remains focused on its mission "*To Be a Respectful, Safe and Collaborative Community of Invested Learners.*" Many teachers continue to be trained in the Responsive Classroom model, which is a proactive approach which fosters mutual respect and caring for those around us as well as the physical classroom. Two of our teachers have provided workshops for staff from the district on Morning Meeting and Teacher Language which are all components of the Responsive Classroom model. The Pine Grove School staff believes that it is important to focus on the 'whole child', and to encourage children to become proactive and caring world citizens.

Character Education was introduced to our school this year with monthly themes centered on respect, honesty, responsibility, tolerance, integrity and loyalty to name a few. These themes are discussed at bi monthly Community Gatherings for students and parents. At these gatherings, our students continue to work on our anti-bullying initiatives as well as discussing topics that relate to our school community at large. Character Education is also woven into classroom lessons and activities.

Pine Grove's young artists and musicians were well-represented at the *Triton Music and Arts Festival* in the spring. All fourth graders participated in chorus this past year, and a high percentage of fifth and sixth grade students are involved in chorus and/or band. The February musical had three sold-out performances, and the Link Art Gallery hosted a series of exhibits by students and guest artists, that captivated both our children and visitors. Pine Grove School ranked second in Massachusetts in participation on the 'Artsonia' web-based art gallery. It is nice to see the strong commitment to the arts in the Rowley community.

We are grateful to the Town of Rowley and all of the townspeople for their efforts on behalf of the school. The support of the central office administration and staff, the businesses and many organizations in Rowley, as well as the dedicated staff at Pine Grove School, help to provide the children of Rowley with a strong academic program and a safe learning environment.

TRITON REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The mission of the high school is “to guide our students in realizing their individual potentials by providing opportunities to be educated in a safe, academically challenging, and culturally rich environment.” Our expectations for student learning include specific benchmarks in eleven academic, four civic and six social areas. You may view these expectations on our website - www.trsd.net/high and click on “About TRHS.”

We are proud of the fact that the high school offers a rigorous curriculum which includes twelve Advanced Placement courses, including English, US and European History, Calculus, Computer Science, Physics, Biology, Chemistry, Spanish, French, Art Studio and Art History. Students take full advantage of these course offerings. We continue to make progress in adopting a more effective college preparatory model and our graduation requirements now align with MASSCORE recommendations. The reconfiguration of our courses into a two semester format has allowed us to create semester electives and thus a more diverse curriculum for our students.

For the ninth year in a row, our grade 10 MCAS scores met or exceeded the state average MCAS scores in Mathematics and English Language Arts. But, we want to do better. We want to see an ever increasing proportion of our students achieving in the Proficient and Advanced categories. We believe that our students are capable of doing just that and we will continue to work hard to enable our students to perform to their highest potential. It is noteworthy that over 60 students were named to the John and Abigail Adams Scholarship Program. To qualify,

these students must rank in the top 25 percent of those taking the MCAS test. Students were offered four years of free tuition at the University of Massachusetts or at any of the state or community colleges.

We have continued to offer MCAS tutoring for students who require assistance in improving their scores. Further, our web-based credit recovery program is being utilized by many students, including struggling learners. Those students identified as struggling learners are equally important to us, and our Academic Support Classroom is dedicated to providing them with specific, needs-based assistance.

At TRHS we place a priority on helping Freshmen make a successful transition to high school life. The “Freshman Team” of faculty members specifically serving our ninth grade students meet regularly to discuss curriculum, instructional strategies, and student issues in general – all aimed at helping those students make a strong, positive transition into high school. Additionally, our freshman mentoring program, Ignite, continues to train upperclassmen to work with ninth graders by developing supporting relationships between upperclassmen and Freshmen.

We believe in the value of real world work experiences. Our school-to-career opportunities include students working in our school bank and running our school store, the “Viking Corner Store.” Students are given the opportunity to job shadow an area worker for a day, experience a Career Exploration Fair, attend a Fall Career Day, attend the annual Alumni Career Day, and attend the Tech Prep Career Day. We have instituted a new course called “Financial Literacy” to meet the growing need for instruction in this critical, “real world” area.

Students continue to participate with energy and enthusiasm not only in athletics, extra-curricular and co-curricular activities but also in community service programs such as senior citizen events, blood drives and community outreach programs to name a few. We are very proud of the high proportion of students who engage in these activities. Parents also continue to partner with the school and make major contributions via support groups such as Boosters, Gradventure, and TMPO. The Triton Education Foundation has also become very involved in supplementing the needs of our school, as well as other schools in the district.

On behalf of the students, staff and administration of Triton High School, I would like to express our gratitude to the citizens of our district. In particular we appreciate the continuing and focused efforts of our School Council and the Triton Regional School Committee.

TRITON REGIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Triton Regional Middle School continues to grow as a community committed to meeting the unique needs of young adolescents. Our knowledgeable faculty and staff strive to ensure each student reaches his or her fullest potential. Through a blend of rigorous and challenging curriculums, high quality instruction and expectations, and numerous extracurricular opportunities, Triton Regional Middle School is quickly becoming the school of choice in the Cape Ann area.

As we move forward in preparing our students for the 21st Century with an eye toward; academic achievement, career and workplace readiness, and effective citizenship, the Middle School is implementing service learning as part of our Middle School program. Service-learning is the combination of meaningful service to the community, classroom education and deliberate structured reflection so that students connect what they are learning to the service performed. Research has shown that students involved in service-learning achieve academically, gain essential career readiness skills, have greater self confidence, and are more civically minded. In preparation for our initiative, teachers participated in professional development workshops with Kids Consortium, a non-profit service learning organization. Teachers learned how to develop lessons that have academic integrity, allow students to solve real world problems in their own community, and allow them to practice authentic citizenship.

Beyond the many varied exploratory and enrichment opportunities available for middle school students during the school year, this past summer students were able to participate in a series of enrichment courses through the Summer Enrichment University at Triton. Courses ranging from the *History of Air Combat*, to *Forensic Science-based on the popular CSI TV show*, allowed students to explore and learn beyond the scope of the School's traditional curriculum. With the support of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant, programs like Drama Workshop, Select Choir, the Green Thumb Nursery, Jazz Band, Art Enrichment and our award winning Math League Team offer students an opportunity to express their creativity and talents.

The continued success of our school is due in part to the thoughtful participation of family and community members. Your support, generosity and involvement have been steadfast and help to make the Triton Regional Middle School a school of excellence.

Thank you to all of you who make our success possible.

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TOWN OF ROWLEY
ENROLLMENTS AS OF OCTOBER 2009

Pine Grove School

Elementary	Boys	Girls	Total
Early Childhood	22	28	50
Kindergarten	38	37	75
Grade 1	47	34	81
Grade 2	43	39	82
Grade 3	36	36	72
Grade 4	39	42	81
Grade 5	31	32	63
Grade 6	32	38	70
Total	288	286	574

Triton Regional Middle School

Grade 7 Rowley Students	68
Grade 8 Rowley Students	65
Total	133

Triton Regional High School

Grade 9 Rowley Students	55
Grade 10 Rowley Students	71
Grade 11 Rowley Students	61
Grade 12 Rowley Students	56
Total	243

Other Enrollments as of October 2009

	SPED	8
	Private	28
	Parochial	9
	Public	109
	Home-Schooled	12
	Total	166

Pine Grove School Enrollment	574
Triton Regional Middle School Enrollment	133
Triton Regional High School Enrollment	243
Other Enrollment	166
Total 2009/2010 Enrollment as of 10/09	1116

General Fund
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures – Budget and Actual
Required Supplementary Information
For the Year Ended June 30, 2010

	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Revenues		
Assessments to Member Towns	\$ 25,182,549	\$ 25,182,549
Intergovernmental	11,367,789	11,405,830
Medicaid	250,000	196,946
Investment Income	100,000	38,256
Insurance and Retirement Revenue	523,145	638,646
Miscellaneous		476
Total Revenues		
Expenditures		
Administration	1,145,211	1,098,382
Instruction	17,768,224	17,297,107
School Choice	2,012,977	1,814,165
Transportation	2,184,817	2,287,237
Other School Services	1,748,774	1,744,876
Student Activities	351,428	395,338
Operation and Maintenance	2,693,374	2,503,948
Fringe Benefits	6,223,815	6,257,973
Debt Service:		
Principal	2,225,000	2,225,000
Interest	1,269,863	1,269,863
Total Expenditures	37,623,483	36,893,889
Excess (Deficiency) Of Revenues Over Expenditures	(200,000)	568,814

“NO SCHOOL” ANNOUNCEMENT

The “No School” announcement for the Pine Grove School and Triton Regional Middle/High School (Triton Regional School District) is given over TV stations WBZ (4), WCVB (5), WHDH (7), and FOX (25). In addition to the TV stations, the closures are posted on the district website at www.trsd.net and phone calls are made to all families via the district’s auto-dialer (ConnectED).

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