Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
September 13, 1988

Present: Ellen Foberg, George Riggan, Marion Boggs, Melissa Quinn

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 P.M.

It was noted by the Chairman that the letter sent to Dana Rice (Rice Camp, Hazelton Road) on August 30th should have been sent to Gail Rice by certified mail. Mrs. Quinn was directed to re-send the letter and mail it to Ms. Rice by certified mail indicating a new date of vacancy of October 14, 1988. (see attached)

Mrs. Foberg reported that William Enser (Berkshire Enviro-Labs) called her on September 12th to inform her that the test performed on a water sample taken at the Rowe School on September 7th was unsatisfactory. He asked if plumbing work had been done recently at the school, which could account for the test results. It was reported by Margaret Rice (School Committee) that such work had been done the week of September 2nd. Sharleen Moffatt R.N. (School Nurse) had taken another sample on September 13th and Mrs. Quinn had mailed it to Mr. Enser for another test. The school custodian will take a water sample on Monday, September 19th, to be mailed to Mr. Enser for a lead level test.

Mrs. Foberg reported that there has been refuse illegally dumped at the site of the new stump dump. She and the Highway Superintendent removed most of the material and it was placed in the bulk bin. The Highway Crew covered the site with a layer of soil and erected concrete barriers, and Mrs. Foberg placed a sign forbidding any dumping.

John Brickett (Health Agent/Sanitarian) called the Chairman to report that Carol Bolduc (Ford Hill Road) had installed a septic system and Mr. Brickett had inspected it, but no paperwork had been processed. Mrs. Foberg called Ms. Bolduc and was told that the paperwork would be mailed to the Board of Health.

Results of water tests performed at the Park (Beach and Pitcher Pump) in July were received. The results were:

Beach	20	Total Coliform
	00	Fecal Coliform
	00	Fecal Streptococcus
Pitcher Pump	00	Total Coliform
	00	Fecal Coliform
	00	Standard Plate Count

Results will be given to the Park Commission.

By consensus, it was agreed to mail forms for a survey regarding herbicide spraying on power line right-of-ways only to those possibly affected, instead of every householder. Forms and information will also be available at the Town Hall. An announcement will be placed in the Goal Post to that effect.

Mrs. Foberg will look into radon testing, and report at a later meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa S. Quinn, Clerk

Approved:

Ellen L. Foberg

Ellen L. Foberg, Chairman

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From the Office of

Board of Health

September 14, 1988

Gail Rice
P.O. Box 51
Charlemont, Ma. 01339

Dear Ms. Rice:

Unless evidence is presented to the Board of Health within thirty (30) days from the date of this letter (October 14, 1988) of feasible plans for potable water and a sanitary system, the camp (on Hazelton Road) will be posted as unfit for human habitation and any inhabitant will be required, by law, to vacate the premises at that time.

Sincerely,

Ellen L. Foberg -msq

Ellen L. Foberg, Chairman
Board of Health
Town of Rowe