Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
November 7, 1990

Present: Ellen Foberg, George Riggan, James O'Brien
Melissa Quinn

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M.

The Board conducted interviews with three applicants for the position of Town Nurse. They were: Natalie Koncal of Greenfield, Ruthe Jubinville of Shelburne and Sue Sojka of Greenfield.

At 11:00 A.M. the Board met with Bret Calder and Chris Main of Med Waste Management, Inc. of West Springfield, Massachusetts to discuss legal disposal of used syringes and any other hazardous medical wastes generated by the Town and School Nurses under the Board of Health. Mr. Calder explained in detail how medical wastes are handled and disposed of by his company. All procedures adhere strictly to Commonwealth of Massachusetts regulations, 105 CMR 480.000. Waste materials are incinerated at 2000 degrees with any residue or ash being buried in a lined landfill. Metal needles are reduced to "BB" sized pellets. The cost to Rowe as a very small quantity generator, (less than 50 pounds every six months), would be $200 annually for two pick-ups per year. Pick-up of additional containers would be $45 each. Corrugated cardboard containers with liners are supplied by the company. It was the consensus to enter into an agreement with Med Waste Management for this service. A 5% discount for the first annual fee will be made to the Town upon receipt of a letter of reference from the Board for use by Med Waste Management in soliciting other agencies or businesses.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa S. Quinn, Clerk

Approved:

James E. O'Brien

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