Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
September 3, 1991

Present: Douglas Corarito, James O'Brien, Leonard Laffond, Melissa Quinn

The meeting was called to order at 7:43 P.M.

Test results of a substance taken from the handicapped bathroom, the south vestibule and the main hallway of the Town Hall, were received from Con Test Laboratories . Mrs. Quinn will call Con Test to ask for their recommendations for eliminating the problem. (see attached report)

It was noted that no paperwork has been received from John Brickett, (Health Agent/Sanitarian), for the repairs to the septic system on the Kenney lot on Zoar Road. Mrs. Quinn will contact Mr. Brickett and request copies of those documents for filing.

Mr. O'Brien reported that he had received a call on Friday, August 30, from Town Nurse Dianne Rode relative to a request from Margaret Woodside of Rowe Camp and Conference Center for on-call nursing coverage for guests scheduled to arrive at the Camp for the Labor Day weekend. Mrs. Rode was informed that some of these individuals were HIV* positive, and some were being treated for symptoms and complications relative to the AIDS** virus, (including intravenous treatment). Mrs. Woodside was informed that any needles and/or other materials contaminated with body fluids must, according to law, be disposed of in an approved manner. A "sharps container" for needles was made available, upon request, to the camp. After discussion, it was the consensus that it is not the responsibility of the Board of Health to provide nursing coverage for a private business, (such as the Camp and Conference Center). It was also the consensus that the Camp should be encouraged to contact a medical waste management firm and arrange to have bio-hazardous waste materials disposed of in a legally approved manner, rather than rely on the Town to provide such a service at taxpayers expense.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa S. Quinn

Approved:

Douglas C. Corarito

James E. O'Brien

Leonard J. Laffond

*human immuno-deficiency virus
**Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

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August 22, 1991

Town of Rowe
Board of Health
Rowe Town Hall
P.O. Box 279
Rowe, MA 01367
Attn: Melissa Quinn

Invoice #L5407
Date Sampled: 08/08/91
Date Received: 08/09/91
Date Analyzed: 08/15/91

Sample Matrix: Solid

Ref: Rowe Town Hall
Handicapped Bathroom

The results of analyses requested are listed below:

Lab # Sample #	Location/Application	Results
91B07207 (#1)	Floor, Vestibule Floor, Vestibule Heat Register	10 C.F.U. Penicillium Species * 6 C.F.U. Cladosporium Species * 2 C.F.U. Alternaria *

Comment(s): * = Common environmental isolate, typically saphrophytic in nature, rarely an etiologic agent of disease in normal human population.

Resembles fungal species commonly known as mildew.

C.F.U. = Colony forming units.

Sincerely,

CON-TEST, Inc.

Edward Denson

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Laboratory Director

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