Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
Janaury 21, 1992

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

The meeting was called to order at 8:25 P.M.

At Mr. Laffond's request, Mrs. Quinn contacted Ellen Foberg, Chairman of the Stump Dump Siting Committee regarding the status of the stump dump project. Mrs. Foberg reported that while the proposed site off of Zoar Road across from the former stump dump site had received preliminary approval from the Department of Environmental Protection, an application would still have to be made for a permit to use the site as a stump dump. Required as a part of this application would be maps and diagrams of the surrounding area, as well as a detailed explanation of the intended use. Brush could not be accepted at this site, but the DEP stated that brush could continue to be temporarily stockpiled at the site across Zoar Road. Periodically this brush could be chipped and stockpiled for use by the Road Crew or town residents. Grass clippings and leaves must be composted. The proposed site could only be utilized for actual stumps. In order to control both access to the site as well as the material being dumped, it was felt that only the Road Crew should be permitted access. Residents needing stumps disposed of could contact the Road Crew for pick-up. (It was pointed out that on private land, stumps may be buried on site, and need not go to a dump.) It was estimated that construction of a road into the site would cost approximately $10,000. Fencing and a gate would cost an estimated $5,000. The site would also have to be cleared of trees and brush; that cost was not estimated. The Committee felt that the demand for disposal of stumps did not justify the expense. Mrs. Foberg suggested talking it over with the Selectmen and Pete Brown to see if it was felt that this expenditure was warranted at this time. It was the consensus of the Board that at the present time, it is not.

It was noted that the Board has received a video from the Franklin County Commissioners. This video contains three segments; the three subjects covered are well water, septic systems and underground storage tanks. Mr. O'Brien will look into having a copy made so that one can be kept on file and one can be loaned out upon request.

It was noted that the Franklin County Solid Waste District Committee is proposing a Hazardous Waste Collection Day for the summer or fall of 1992. It was the consensus of the Board that an appropriation should be sought for this purpose in the FY 1993 budget.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa S. Quinn, Administrative Assistant

Approved:

James E. O'Brien

Leonard J. Laffond