Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
July 7, 1992

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M.

Also present was Maggie Rice (Rowe School Committee) and Prue Berry and Doug Wilson (Rowe Camp/Conference Center).

Mrs. Rice reported that the new dump hours have created a problem for the custodian at the Rowe School. The custodian normally goes to the dump at least once every weekday. Now that access is limited to one day each week, he must stock-pile trash and garbage up to a week before he can dispose of it. Unless the custodian is permitted daily access, the School Committee will have to look into other options for handling trash, such as contracting with a hauler for their own dumpster or constructing a shed in which to store trash and garbage until it can be hauled to the dump. The Board explained that there have as yet been no exceptions made regarding access to the dump, but they would take the matter under consideration and let the School Committee know when a decision is made.

Ms. Berry and Mr. Wilson explained that the Camp/Conference Center is considering the purchase of the Kevin Hale house on Kings Highway, and they wanted to know if there were any problems or drawbacks with the property that the Board was aware of. The Board noted that overuse, misuse or failure to maintain the septic system could cause a breakdown of the system, which could require expensive repair or replacement. Ms. Berry stated that there would be a maximum of four (4) individuals using the dwelling. Ms. Berry questioned the current use of a spring as a water source. She was told that so long as the water is potable, use of a spring is acceptable. In the course of the discussion, it was mentioned that another property owned by the Camp/Conference Center, (former Schubert property) has as a water source a well drilled by the Town of Rowe several years ago. The Board noted that use of this water source for the Hale property would not be possible.

It was noted that a letter was received from Margalee Riggan (Leshure Road) regarding the dump hours. Ms. Riggan finds the present hours difficult and would prefer either early morning hours or later afternoon hours. Others that have voiced concerns in this regard are as follows:

Robin Reed	prefers evening hours
Jean Pruitt	prefers evening hours
Stan Chilson	asked for a key (Bear Swamp)

The only other request was from Margaret Woodside (Old Home Day Committee). She asked if the dump could be opened at 10:00 A.M. on July 12 so that the Rowe Camp volunteers could take the Old Home Day trash to the dump. The Board voted to deny the request, noting that the dump opened only two hours later, at noon.

It was the consensus to take all requests/complaints under advisement in order to give the trial period a little longer and thereby have additional time for more commentary from citizens.

Water test results were received for the Town Hall, Avery Fountain, Park (beach and pump) and Rowe School. All results were satisfactory and within allowable limits. Copies will be mailed to the appropriate departments. (see file for originals)

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa S. Quinn, Administrative Assistant

Approved:

James E. O'Brien

Leonard J. Laffond

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