Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
July 27, 1993

Present: Ellen Foberg, James O'Brien, Melissa Quinn
Absent: Leonard Laffond (vacation)

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 P.M.

It was noted that on July 27th the Rowe Camp/Conference Center requested a hearing relative to an inspection report and order to correct public health and safety violations (inspection conducted June 29, 1993 by Charles Rudnick, (DPH) Ellen Foberg and Leonard Laffond). After consulting with Board of Health member James O'Brien, the Chairman had set a hearing for July 30 at 10:00 A.M. and the Camp Director was so informed. Another request was received from Executive Director Doug Wilson asking for a postponement of the hearing to the end of August. Chairman Foberg contacted Charles Rudnick and subsequently the hearing was postponed to a later date. The follow-up inspection will still be conducted on Friday, July 30 at 10:00 P.M.

A letter was received from the Department of Public Water Supply noting approval of the water testing program at the Rowe Elementary School. (see file)

It was noted that several residents have experienced water shortages and/or losses with their springs and wells due to the extended drought. New wells have been drilled or are scheduled to be drilled at the following: Terry Veber (Zoar Road), David Wayne (Dell Road), and Brian Donelson (Potter Road). The Rowe Country Store spring has gone dry, the Lehr House (Zoar Road) spring has gone dry and the Bradley house (Middletown Hill Road) spring has gone dry. A notice will be placed in the *Goal Post* cautioning residents to conserve water.

On July 27th twelve water samples were taken from Pelham Lake in front of the Lakeside cotteges and sent to Berkshire Enviro-Labs for testing.

It was noted that the septic system at the Rowe Historical Society Museum has failed. Chairman Foberg ordered them to stop using the system immediately. The Museum has very little available land to install a new system, and may require a variance for a "tight tank". (Note: The Museum is only open on Sunday afternoons during the summer months.)

Plans for the Howe septic system (Newell Cross Road) were received, approved and mailed to installer Thomas Danek.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa S. Quinn, Administrative Assistant

Approved:

Ellen L. Foberg

Ellen L. Foberg, Chairman

Leonard J. Laffond

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