Board of Health
Meeting Minutes
October 26, 1998

Present: James Brown, Ellen Foberg, Leonard Laffond, Melissa Quinn

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM.

A report was received from the Department of Public Health noting that a town resident had been exposed to TB. (See file.)

Three Title 5 inspections were conducted by Mike Bostley and observed by the Jim Brown and Lenny Laffond on Monday, October 26. Jim Williams did the digging. They were:

Jonathan & Joan Miller (Potter Road)	Map 11, Lot 72	Passed
Paul & Marie Vernes (Potter Road)	Map 12, Lot 55	Passed
Tom Chiofalo (Potter Road)	Map 11, Lot 75	Passed

Mr. Brown and Mr. Laffond also conducted an informal inspection of the septic system at the Vincent Sullivan property on Cross Road (Map 11, Lot 20). There was no breakout and the system is working fine. However, in the event of the sale of the property, it was determined that a whole new system would be required. Mike Bostley and Jim Williams were also present.

A letter was received from Health Agent Sharon White. She approved a septic system application for the Daureen Petersen property on Zoar Road (Map 4, Lot 44) contingent on the Board granting two variances: one regarding the 75 foot setback requirement and the second regarding the 4 foot to 3 foot vertical clearance. Both variances are described in 310 CMR 405. Ms. Quinn was directed to contact Bob Leet to request the variances in writing so that the Board may act on them.

Ms. White also stated in the letter that a percolation test and soils evaluation test performed at the Chiofalo property on Potter Road (Map 11, Lot 75) prior to issuance of a building permit for an addition. Chairman Brown disagreed with her assessment and stated that the present system was designed for three bedrooms and the house only has two. (He noted that the third room (currently used as a meditation room) does not meet the building code requirements for a bedroom, therefore the addition of a bedroom would bring the number of bedrooms to three, the maximum number allowed for the present system. Jim will contact Ms. White to discuss this matter with her.

In answer to a question from Don Atwood regarding his property on Pond Road (Map 2, Lot 17), Ellen Foberg was told by Larry Golonka (DEP) that it is not permitted to locate a septic system on an adjoining property via a 99 year lease, but there is nothing in Title 5 prohibiting location of a system via easement deeds.

The job description for the Town Nurse was reviewed and amended slightly. Chairman Brown reported that Dr. French is also willing to oversee the position. The job description will be

re-written as amended and an ad will be placed in the newspaper as soon as possible. Postings will also be placed appropriately.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa S. Quinn, Administrative Assistant

Approved:

James D. Brown, Chairman

Ellen L. Foberg

Leonard J. Laffond