Town of Rowe – FY2005
Board of Health
Minutes – June 08, 2005

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM

Present: Dick Alix, Angela Foshay, Danette Reynolds-Gallaghar
Dick Tower, Refuse Gardens Attendent

Audience: Sheila Furgerson

OLD BUSINESS
Minutes: The minutes of the March 16, 2005 meeting were read. Angela Foshay voiced objection to the reference in the minutes that she made no comment on the vote concerning the use of the Refuse Gardens by Rowe Camp & Conference Center. Danette informed Angela that she was recorded on audio tape as remaining silent during the vote. The minutes were approved as submitted.

The minutes of the May 11, 2005 meeting were read and signed by Dick Alix and Angela Foshay. Angela said that Danette did not need to sign the minutes as she was not present at that meeting. Danette did request that Angela add addresses and map and lot numbers to properties discussed in the minutes.

NEW BUSINESS
Reorganization: It was unanimously voted to re-elect Dick Alix as Chairman to the Board of Health.

Appointments: The following appointments were made:

BOH Clerk	Ellen Babcock
Health Agent:	Sharon White
Health Agent for Title 5:	Lisa Danek Burke
Town Nurse Practitioner:	Ruth Loomis
Transfer Station Attendant:	Dick Tower

Williams College, 64 Cross Rd (Map 11 Lot 17 & 18): The BOH received notice on June 7, 2005 from Lisa Danek Burke (Health Agent for Title 5) that installation of a tight tank system at the Williams College property on Cross Rd. had begun. The installer, DTK Construction, was not a licensed installer in town. Board members Dick Alix and Danette Reynolds visited the site on June 7 and found the tank had already been installed and backfilled. Danette informed the company owner, Dave Krutiak, that the installation was illegal as he was not licensed. Danette also reminded Dave Krutiak that during a telephone conversation they had on June 3rd, Dave never mentioned he had started the project. Dick and Danette decided to shut down the operation until the matter could be resolved.

A telephone call was made to Paul Nietupski of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) during the meeting. Mr. Nietupski said DTK Construction was in violation of Title 5 and could face a minimum $5,000.00 penalty if the matter came before the DEP. Mr. Nietupski also said the permit to install a tight tank could be revoked. The BOH was told they had the option of handling the matter themselves or turning it over to the DEP.

Ellen Babcock, BOH clerk and a member of the Conservation Commission (ConCom), pointed out that DTK did not contact the ConCom 48 hours prior to the start of work as stipulated in the approved plans.

The BOH has also not received an operations and maintenance plan or a signed 2 year contract with an approved septage pumper/hauler as required in the DEP approval of the system.

Danette Reynolds will contact Charlie Kaniecki (Department of Public Health) and Town Counsel to discuss the situation.

Virginia Gary, Cyrus Stage Rd (Map 6 Lot 57): The BOH received the Application for Disposal System Construction Permit and the system plans from Virginia Gary. A motion was made to accept the plan on condition that there is not a wetland within 100 ft of the proposed system. The motion passed with Dick Alix and Angela Foshay voting in favor of accepting the plan. Danette Reynolds abstained from the vote.

Virginia Gary will need to sign the application.

Dick Tower, Transfer Station Attendant: Transfer Station Attendant Dick Tower informed the BOH that he had contacted Palmeri Electric to install lights in the compactor bin area. The contractor who handles the bin was concerned that he would not be able to detect bears in the dimly lit area. There is to be a flood light on the side of the building with a switch in the contractor's work area.

Dick also had Palmeri Electric disconnect electricity to the old card readers near the entrance gate.

Mattress Disposal: As of July 1, 2005, the Town will be charged $25.00 for each mattress disposed of at the Transfer Station. The BOH will need to discuss whether to institute a fee for mattress disposal and, if so, how to collect it.

Ruth Loomis, Town Nurse Practitioner: Town Nurse Practitioner Ruth Loomis informed the BOH that she has 11 hours of personal time she needs to take before July 1, 2005. Ruth also asked the BOH is she had to use her personal time when subpoenaed to appear as a witness in court. Ruth was asked whether she was personally involved in the court case to which she responded that she wasn't. The BOH voted unanimously that Ruth Loomis did not have to use her personal hours for an appearance as a subpoenaed witness and that the time spent in court would count as regular working hours. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 1:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Danette Reynolds-Gallaghar

Approved:

Richard Alix, Chairman

Angela Foshay

Danette Reynolds-Gallaghar