Town of Rowe - FY2006
Board of Health

Minutes June 26, 2006

The meeting was caslled to otder at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Richard Alix.
Member present: Angela Fraley Foshay. Absent: Danette Reynolds Gallagher.
Audience: Michael Bradley, Christine and Richard Tower, Sheila Furgerson, JoAnn Brown, Robin Reed, Ruth Loomis (town nurse). Niina Martin-Anzuoni from FRCOG came in at 10:30/

OLD BUSNESS 51 Middletown Hill Rd (M2 L12)

Maple House. An enforcement letter was sent to Map[le House instructing them to have the septic tank capped and to have it pumped once a week. Michael Bradley presented a letter from Maple House asking to (see attached) have the order adjusted to allow him to monitor the level in the tank with a measuring stick provided by Bostley Septic Pumpers and to have the tank pumped only as often as necessary. This was based on the finding that Maple House usage had filled the tank only about a third full the first two weekly pumpings, and the cost of pumping in Rowe is $350 regardless of how much is in the tank

After some discussion, it was voted unanimously to allow the Bradleys to monitor the level in the septic tank and have it pumped only as often as indicated.

Transfer Station. Richard Tower (transfer station attendant) reported that people are managing to get into the area when he is not there and throw things into the compactor. As a result, the bears cocme in and pull the batgss out and litter the area with the contents. There was discussion f several posssibole remedies, such as a pull down gate to close the compactor and surveillance cameras to identify the intruders .

Having been informed of the problem in advance of the meeting, Dick Aliz submitted an article to be approved for publication in the Goal Post stating the problem and suggesting a $100 fine for trespassers at the Transfer Station. It was voted unanimously to accept the article for publication in the Goal Post.

Old Home /Day. Applications for vendors permits for Old Home Day need to be completed. Margaret Woodside will take care of this on the part of the Old Home 'Day Committee.

Perc Test. A perc tesdt was performed at the Fromson House at the (Rowe Camp, King's Highwa M3 L24) Rowe Camp and Conference Center on 6-14-06. It passed.

Permit . A permit was issued to Yankee Electric Company for the use of ecology cans.

Water test. A water test report was received for the Girard property. It passed. A letter to that effect was sent to Carol Balduc.

Inspection Report. A report of a routine inspection of the Rowe Camp and Conference Center by Fire Chief Edwin May showed no violations.

NEW BUSINESS

Emergency Planning. Nina Martin-Anzuoni representing FRCOG presented for our signature a document detailing essential tasks in an emergency that FRCOG has drawn up to standardize emergency procedures in the region. She had apparently sent copies to us for advance review which had apparently been set aside and not noted.. She outlined tasks divided into high, medium and low priority. The document is long and comprehensive. The Board decided that we needed to have the document for individual study before making a decision to sign on. This will be done. She distributed copies of Required Duties of Local Boards of Health in Massachusetts put out by the Regional Office of the Dept of Public Health. This will be useful as an outline for compiling our regulations specific to Rowe.

Pending Perc Tests.

Posever, June 29, 2006
Maple House, July 19, 2006
Snyder, August 4, 2006

Next Meeting Juloy 13,, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.
Adjournment The meeting was addjoourned at 11:00 aa.m..

Respectfully Submitted,
Angela Fraley Foshay

Approved:

Richard Alix, Chaiarman

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MAPLE HOUSE

BED AND BREAKFAST
MIDDLETOWN HILL ROAD ROWE,MA. 01367 #413-339-0107
Rebecca and Michael Bradley, hosts

RECEIVED 6/26/06

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To: Board of Health

From: The Bradleys

Re: Septic Tank Pumping.

We are requesting to pump the tank on an as needed basis. It was pumped 1500 gallons on 6/16 and 589 gallons on 6/23/06. Mike Bosley helped us set up a measuring stick to determine tank depth. He says it should be pumped @ 49". On 6/23 the height was 19" - approximately 1/3 full - as shown in pumping log. Since Bosley charges $300 for 1,000 gallons or less and $400 for 1500 gallons, we are having to pay $300 monthly for 1/3 tank. We would prefer to pump only when the tank is full