

**Rowe Board of Health
Tuesday December 30th 2014 Public Hearing Minutes**

Called to Order at 6:00PM

One audience participant: Ted Palmer

Chair Jennifer Morse, read aloud the hearing notice:

"In accordance with Chapter 111, Section 31 of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Rowe BOH will conduct a Public Hearing for the purpose of amending Town of Rowe, Board of Health Regulations pertaining to "Regulations for Town Refuse Garden".

*The hearing will take place on **Tuesday December 30th at 6:00pm** in the Rowe Town Hall located at 321 Zoar Road in Rowe MA.*

The proposed amendments are available for review at the BOH office".

Chair Morse then read the proposed amendments;

1-Refuse Garden use is for the use of Home Owners and Residents in the Town of Rowe Only.

2-Stickers for the Refuse Gardens are required for entry and disposal of waste. These stickers will be provided by the Board of Health Office annually. The sticker must be displayed on the vehicle.

3-Stickers will only be given to Rowe Taxpayers who have a classified HOME, stickers will not be given to land owners and out building property owners.

4-A fine of \$100.00 shall be charged to any person or persons trespassing at the Town Refuse Garden and Dump facilities. Any non-resident is considered a trespasser.

5-The Stickers are the property of the Town and must be returned if a person is no longer a homeowner.

6-Evidence of improper use of a Rowe Refuse Garden sticker or the dumping facilities will result in the revocation of the refuse garden sticker and a fine of \$50.00.

7-White goods (household appliances) shall be placed in the designated area in an upright position.

8-Article VII, Section 8 of the Rowe Town By-Laws: "No person shall discard any container originally used for refrigeration purposes unless the door or doors have been removed from such container."

9-The compactor is for household/domestic trash - recyclable materials must be disposed of properly.

10-No hazardous materials may be discarded at any place or time at the facility.

The Chair then invited the audience to comment or ask questions.

Transfer Station Attendant, Ted Palmer questioned the regulation "*White goods (household appliances) shall be placed in the designated area in an upright position*" stating that often they are left on their side. The board advised him to use his best judgment.

The board also explained to Mr. Palmer that attendants would no longer be required to distribute vehicle stickers. Residents will now be obtaining their stickers via mail and the BOH office.

Chair Morse also asked that the attendant be more vigilant in checking vehicles for the proper sticker.

Motion was made to accept and adopt the amendments;

Motion seconded and passed unanimously.

Hearing Closed 6:10Pm

