

## **TA Report 7.30.10**

**FIRE STATION GASOLINE LEAK** We start digging at the Fire Station parking lot and in Leverett Rd. Monday, August 2, 2010. The DEP contract for the fire station has been awarded to Clean Harbors. With the adjustment the bid is \$108,000 to be paid out of ARRA funded LUST funds, Leaking Underground Storage Tank, and at some point post audit to be reimbursed by the town. We are working with our LSP firm, OTO. DEP is the project manager but is looking for significant input and direction from our consultant. More than half of the fire dept. parking lot black top has been removed. An area in the back has been cleaned up for 30 ton trailer dump trucks to enter, load and exit. We anticipate the highway crew will start excavating at 6am every morning and potentially 200 tons of contaminated soil will be trucked out every day. We are hoping for dry weather so we do not have to use the fract tank for water collection very often. The police will have a detail on while the road is dug up. **WE ASK FOR PATIENCE AND CAUTION TRAVELING ON LEVERETT RD. FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS.** Thank you in advance. We know this is an inconvenience but we are addressing a serious problem. DEP has advised that removal of contaminated source material is the best way to improve the situation.

**POLE MOUNTED SOLAR PANELS BEHIND TOWN HALL!** Two of the 4 panels are up and making electricity. The SREC market is taking shape. The town may benefit financially.

**SOLAR REPORT 844.9 kWh produced in 470 Hrs (of day light), 7/30/10 at 4:45 pm** (go-live date was 6/28/10 at 4pm). On Monday, 8/2, Fall River Electric is coming back to install 2 more Sharp panels! Solar panels became very difficult to get this summer due to the large amount of projects going up in the northeast. While we had to be patient that fact is good one. Next week we should be producing with 10kWt instead of 5kWt. Our July electric bill will be reduced by 800 kWt/hrs, from around 2100kwthrs to around 1300 kwt/hrs.

**BRIDGING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE** Senator Kerry's letter and the Gazette article has gotten Verizon's attention. If you are having problems, DSL or telephone service please let me know. I compiled a list of 54 people who lost DSL service. I am starting a file on those who have lost telephone service as well. We hope to have a productive meeting with Donna Cupelo and her staff in the next couple of weeks and figure out how improvements to our service can be made. It is not normal to have your phone service out 3 days every month or DSL that goes out for the better part of 10 days at a time. So please drop me a line however you can. Thank-you.

## **SHUTESBURY FARMERS MARKET, Saturday, 8:30am – noon**

- **Library Bake & Book Sale! (Mary Anne's zucchini bread)**
- **Trash Bag Distribution. Reusable Grocery Bags on Sale- \$3**
- Beautiful bonnets, functional and fun aprons, clothespin bags for solar clothes drying and felt hand stitched accessories- Linda
- We will be there with organic olive oil, onions, kale, garlic, berries, tomatoes, potatoes, vegetables, herbal tea from Birch Moon Farm! - Sarah and Keith
- Cooleyville Farm, Gary and Pat will be there. We will have maple syrup, Kohlrabi, kale, summer squash, wax beans, potatoes, tomatoes, dill, peppers, basil, cilantro -Pat
- Hand woven farm baskets, house baskets, all sizes and shapes – Lori

- Live sprouts: Adzuki bean, mung bean, red lentil, green lentil, french green lentil, fenugreek, broccoli, clover. Sprouting Kits – Kiran
- Turnips, kale, leaf lettuce, tomatoes, cilantro, corn - Lauren
- Shitake mushrooms, flowers! – Deacon and Susan
- Wooden and painted wooden baskets –unique sizes for pies, 8 quarts of berries, casseroles - Rus
- Earth and Botanical Landscape Photography - Miali



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