

## **TA Report 3.12.10**

### **PART TIME JANITOR SHUTESBURY**

**The Town of Shutesbury is seeking applicants for the position of part-time Custodian. The Custodian is in charge of day-to-day cleaning and maintenance of the Town Hall and M.N. Spear Memorial Library. Salary is \$9.86/hr. Schedule is flexible for at least 2 blocks of time a week up to 8 hours. Please submit resume to Becky Torres, Town Administrator, P.O. Box 276, Shutesbury, MA 01072. Call for job description or more information 413-259-1214. AA/EOE.**

**WINTER USE OF LAKE WYOLA BY-LAY COMMITTEE MEETING, Monday, March 15, 6:30pm at the town hall.** The Selectboard has appointed a committee to create a bylaw for winter use of Lake Wyola to bring to the May 1, 2010 Annual Town Meeting.

**FIRE STATION GASOLINE LEAK** – Chief Walter Tibbetts and I walked the wetland site by the fire station on Thursday. The snow is slowly melting away. The booms and pads that are there to absorb the contaminated soil were still frozen in place. Chief Tibbetts added new booms in preparation for the weekend's rain. The drinking water samples from homes near the fire station have come back negative for VOCs (volatile organic compounds). We are still waiting on the results of the long term air quality tests. On Friday, March 19, the Selectboard, Chief Tibbetts and myself will be meeting with DEP in Springfield, along with our LSP, Jim Okun, to develop a scope of work. A second tank was not found.

### **BUDGET AND FINANCE 2010**

The police department's SUV is soon in need of replacement, according to our local auto repair experts at ESP. The Selectboard has discussed the issue and will wait for feedback from Capital Planning and Finance Committee the week after next on how best to proceed. There is no community policing grant money this year from the state. And the chief just received notice that the Highway Safety Division's budget is down so they will not be awarding \$3000 they had hoped to award earlier in the year.

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE/SELECTBOARD Meeting rescheduled for 3/18/10, 9:00pm,** Thursday night at the school committee meeting at the school. The meeting is to discuss the formation and charge of a committee "to engage in reflection of educational goals and to explore options." The Selectboard and School Committee want this committee to be a broad based representative body to take on the challenges of research, public discussion, brainstorming, evaluation, and reporting of educational options.

There is renewed talk at the state level for towns to create new efficiencies through new collaborations. It is important for the town to explore these issues before directives come from the state and we are caught without having researched and discussed these issues as a community. There are many cost efficiencies and educational benefits in being a part of Union 28. We have a solid baseline for comparison while reviewing these issues.

### **SHUTESBURY/FARMERS MARKET MEETING SATURDAY 3/20 AT 8:30AM**

At town hall in Shutesbury

Becky Torres,  
Shutesbury Town Administrator  
[townadmin@shutesbury.org](mailto:townadmin@shutesbury.org)

413-259-1214

Openings on:

Conservation Commission (only 1 spot)

Building Committee (only 1 spot)

Lake Wyola Advisory Committee

Water Resources Committee

And

Recreation Committee (we need lots of people! Committee is down to 0)

Please come to meetings you are interested in becoming a member of to see what is going on. Meeting notices are on the bulletin board in lobby of town hall. Please call if you have any questions.



We might not see much more snow if we are lucky! I want to send out a huge thank you to our highway crew for a job well done. They have to follow the weather and there is never a sure way to know which way it is going. I am thrilled that the increasing use of magic salt is reducing the amount of sand on our by ways and in our water ways. Thank you, Tim, John, Bob, and the part-timers for all your hard work, plowing and sanding our roads this year.