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TOWN HALL There was a painting party at town hall this weekend. Leslie Bracebridg, Ken Rotundi, Walter Tibbetts, Dale Houle and Catherine Hilton pitched in to put a fresh coat of paint on the hallway, copier room and bathroom. These rooms were beyond our original budget approved by the Building Committee. Thanks to those who pitched in. We still have the stairwell to do so if you are interested and skilled in swinging a brush and/or roller let me know and I will put you on my list for future projects. The new ceiling and finished rooms are getting rave reviews.

Please note that the Assessors/Collector/Treasurer office has a new commercial olefin carpet in it. Although it is being ventilated aggressively it will continue to off gas. Please let us know if accessing this room is a concern for you so we can make arrangements to have your needs met in another area of town hall. Thanks for your attention to this matter.

FIRE STATION CLEAN UP Last Monday morning we met with Boston LUST Recovery personnel and Eva Tor from Mass DEP Springfield, Representative Steve Kulik, his Aide Paul Dunphy, Fire Chief Walter Tibbetts, Selectboard Members Elaine Puleo, Al Springer, and April Stein, Selectboard Secretary Leslie Bracebridge and Becky Torres, Town Administrator. The meeting was productive. We discussed the history of the project, the unusual composition of the contamination, shared photos of burning soil, and came to agreement regarding the \$200,000 of LUST funds. We were able to get a 12-month extension agreeing to negotiate forgiveness and or terms once the full cost or future determinable costs are figured out. Eva Tor will set up a technical meeting with us in the next week or so. We are exploring the possibility of building a new fire station, tearing down the one we have and removing the remaining contaminated soil. The estimated costs on remediation under the fire station have grown dramatically encouraging us to consider this approach.

CUSTODIAN JOB OPENING! HELP WANTED!

So, if you are interested in a 6-10 hour a week position cleaning, scrubbing, shining town hall and the library, and have an interest and hands on approach in the maintenance of composting toilets please call me at 413-259-1214.

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 \$10.31/hr. Schedule is flexible at least 2 blocks of time a week for 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.

AMHERST REGIONAL SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH Last interview of the 3 candidates, interim Superintendent, Maria Gyrek, is postponed to Thursday, Feb. 3, between 6-8 at the Amherst Regional High School Library. The Regional School Committee will vote on the new Superintendent on Feb. 6, Sunday, between 1:00-3:00pm Super Bowl Sunday at the Amherst Town Hall. If you want to express your preference for candidate to the Amherst Regional School Committee prior to their decision



LFNAC members Lori Tuominen, Weezie Houle and Library Director Mary Anne Antenollis drove to Boston on Sunday to hand deliver the MBLC grant for the new library Monday, January 24, morning.

NEW UNION 28 FINANCE DIRECTOR hired this week. Greenfield's Town Accountant, Michael Kociela, has accepted the position of the Union 28 Director of Finance and Operations. The hiring committee's decision was unanimous. He is joining the Union with high marks from Greenfield references. We believe he has the experience and skills to step right into the position without missing a beat. Because of the multiple reporting requirements of the Union, one set for each of the 3 towns and the Swift River District, this job is complicated. Thanks to Joan Wickman and her staff for coordinating the hiring process.

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