

**TA Report 1.6.12**

**SHUTESBURY TAX RATE SET**

The new tax rate has been set at \$19.56/1000 valuation for FY12. This is an increase of .98% (less than 1%) from last year's (FY11) tax rate of \$19.37/1000 valuation.

**DEBT EXCLUSION ELECTION to FUND PROPOSED NEW LIBRARY is  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 7AM TO 8PM, AT THE TOWN HALL**

**BOB GROVES AND SUSI MOSHER outlined the proposed new library to scale on Town Common. It is there for all to explore.**



**U28 Survey.** U28 (our local elementary school union) is looking for community feedback on how they communicate with residents, parents, town officials and staff. Surveys are available in town hall with an envelope to deposit them in. The survey is also available at the post office, elementary school, library and online. The survey closes January 23, 2012.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/Union28Survey>

**REPORT FROM LICENSED SITE PROFESSIONAL, ALAN WEISS, ON PROPOSED LIBRARY SITE**

On Friday I forwarded the report from Alan Weiss regarding lot O-32, the proposed new library site, to town officials, Gazette reporter, Ben Storrow, and community member Michael Hootstein.

Licensed Site Professional, Alan Weiss, reviewed the report with me. Most notable in the report is that all lab reports have come back with levels well below applicable Reportable Concentrations. From the report:

“Analytical data from the on-site monitoring wells and surface soil/water samples shows that soils and groundwater at the subject property do not exceed the applicable Reportable Concentrations. **Notification to the MADEP of the facts and findings included in this report is not required at this time.**”

Alan Weiss reviewed the data with DEP Waste Site Specialist, Tony Kurpaska and Licensed Site Professional, Jim Okun.

Further actions recommended are:

1. Close the floor drain in the garage in accordance with MADEP Underground Injection Closure (UIC) Regulations.
2. Re-inspect and re-sample area around the drum after drum is removed.
3. Analyze ground water samples from floor drain outlet and drum area for PCBs
4. Analyze and additional soil sample from the floor drain terminus for PCBs
5. Put together a disposal plan to remove debris piles in presence of an LSP, inspect ground surface and determine if further action is needed

#### **LIBRARY HOURS**

**Monday &**

**Wednesday:**

11am-1pm & 3-7:30pm

**Tuesday & Thursday:**

3-7:30pm

**Friday:** Closed

**Saturday:** 10am-1pm

**Sunday:** 3-6pm

#### **Volunteers Needed:**

On the Personnel Board, Conservation Commission and Recreation Committee

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