

## ASSISTANT TO BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REPORT

July 21, 2010

- The Town of Ashby has received \$802,179 in Community Development Block Grant funding for the reclamation and repaving of Wheeler Road and Housing Rehabilitation for 10 units. Plans for submitting another grant application by December 1<sup>st</sup> through MRPC will be discussed at the next Selectmen's meeting, August 4<sup>th</sup>.
- The Town of Ashby has received official designation as a *HeartSafe Community*. Please read award letter and show Award on camera.
- Mass DOT started the Turnpike Road bridge repairs on Tuesday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. The repairs are estimated to take 6 days.
- The Ashby Council on Aging is looking for kids (14 and older) and adults to help Ashby seniors with yard work. To sign up please call Kathy Becker, CoA Outreach Coordinator at 978-386-2424, ex. 27.
- ARCTS is also now accepting for recycling, free of additional charge, compact fluorescent bulbs, fluorescent tubes less than 2 ft in length, and 10" & 12" diameter circular fluorescent bulbs. These should not be thrown in the trash or in with the glass bottles for recycling as they contain mercury, a neuro-toxin. The Center is open the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday each month from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- The Selectmen have received the following mail, email, memos and faxes:
  - ❖ Weekly Highway Reports, Mass DOT Plans for Turnpike Road Bridge Repairs and Office Copy of Submitted STRAP Grant (Chairman Only)
  - ❖ Conservation Commission June 16, 2010 Minutes
  - ❖ Copies of Notification Letter from State Treasurer regarding 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter State Local Aid Distribution
  - ❖ Memo from Lillian Whitney
  - ❖ Email from MRPC regarding New TIP Program
  - ❖ Office Copy of NRWA's *Low Impact Development and Stormwater Management Toolkit* (Chairman Only)
  - ❖ Letters from Comcast regarding Program Changes
- Public Service Announcements:
  - + All eligible individuals (seniors and ADA qualified) wishing to participate in the Meals on Wheels Program should contact Angie Godin at 386-6800. Meals are only \$1.00 and are now delivered Monday through Friday around noon.
  - + MART Shuttle Service is available to all eligible (60 years or older, ADA qualified) individuals. Ashby residents may use the van on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays for medical appointments and shopping. Interested residents should call Jennifer Collins Monday through Thursday at 386-2501, ext. 11 to apply and schedule use.
  - + Current Board, Committee, and Department Vacancies: Cultural Council, Historical Commission, Senior Tax Work-off Program, Cemetery Commissioner, and ZBA