Determination?

Looking over the recent actions of Cohocton's elected officials makes one thing very clear: they haven't deviated at all from their goal to facilitate the industrialization our Town's hills with a massive wind turbine installation. No amount of appeal, remonstration, or criticism from citizens has altered their course in the slightest. Passing Windmill Law #2 (and trying to finesse SEQR in the process) is just the latest in a series of actions that cater to only one segment of our community.

Is this any way to run a responsive government?

- Many local citizens and taxpayers are ready to say "No!"
- Unfortunately, unless a Moratorium is declared, it appears that the only remaining way to influence the outcome constructively on behalf of our community will be to bring the matter to court.
- Court cases will be costly for both sides, resulting in unnecessary expense that could have been avoided by responsible action.
- It will be interesting to see how much of the Town's bill UPC will pay and even more interesting to see how much money they'll put into next year's elections. Can Cohocton be bought? We'll see.

These are pretty tough words, and folks in the YES! camp have taken us to task right here in these pages for not sounding as nice as we did earlier this year. They liked us much better when they could just ignore us. We're sorry, friends, but ignoring well-founded criticism and just pushing past it doesn't make it go away.

Are you starting to get fed up, too? If you're not already involved, this might be the time to start. Visit us online at www.cohoctonfree.com where we've posted a copy of Windmill Law #2 (and the Town's bid to exempt it from SEQR) for you to review. Then get in touch with us to share your ideas and find out how you can help. And while you're on the web be sure to read the latest in our "Updates" section. Thanks!

