

## ***It's Election Year!***

This fall Cohocton voters will have their first chance to express their opinion about UPC Wind's \$250,000,000 windmill project at the polls, even if it's indirectly. So far, our incumbents have carefully kept the whole matter **out of the hands of the electorate**, refusing even a non-binding referendum. Local leaders in Webster, NY, on the other hand, recently put their town's proposed \$15 million community center proposal before the voters, only to **see it defeated**. Webster Town Supervisor Ron Nesbitt responded to the vote by saying, "Scaling down the project may be the **best bet to gain the public's approval**."

### ***Do our incumbents want to gain the public's approval?***

- They sure do! But their tactic is to say YES first and then wave money at us all without even giving us a chance to look at the carefully crafted promises that are behind all this supposed money.***
- In the meantime, we've been told that construction is going to proceed, even though valid building permits haven't been issued, fees haven't been paid, bonds haven't been secured, the PILOT agreement hasn't been ratified in Bath, etc., etc.***
- Yes, they would like you to approve a project after they've gotten us all so deep into the building process that there isn't any way out but to try to clean up the mess. This is the YES way.***

Even if **cleaning up the mess** is all we're left with, however, it's a task that's going to need new leadership, people who will trust and respond to the electorate. **We need a new group of people** who can ask UPC Wind the tough questions and hold the line with them, not the same YES folks that got us into this pickle in the first place.

**Elections in Cohocton** have been traditionally decided in September's Republican primary races, which **are coming up very soon**. Examine the qualified slate of candidates being put forward by Reform Cohocton by visiting us online at **[www.cohoctonfree.com](http://www.cohoctonfree.com)**. Then pray with us for wisdom and justice to prevail and let your voice be heard!

