Truth or Consequences?

250 Million Dollars is a lot of money. That's the truth. It's also a fair estimate of how much UPC Wind's proposed industrial wind power project(s) will end up costing. The questions Cohocton's citizens and leaders need to answer now are these: What else is true about UPC's project(s)? and What influence does this amount of money have on people's perception of the truth? As we all know, Truth often speaks in a still small voice. Money talks too, usually more loudly.

What is money saying in Cohocton these days?

- That UPC Wind and its outside sponsors can open a nice office, fund a staff, and conduct an expensive 2 year long public opinion campaign before they even turn an honest buck.
- That some people in Cohocton are already getting paid quite a bit, and a LOT more money will be "coming soon" (we just don't have any PILOT or host agreements to "prove" it yet).
- That an enormous industrial wind turbine installation is really a quiet and unobtrusive farming enterprise.
- That we have 2 medium-sized projects here, not one huge one.
- That "supporting" civic groups and youth organizations publicly with outside campaign money indicates genuine caring.
- That Cohocton can help "save the planet" etc., etc.

Come on, neighbors. It's time to wake up and follow the money trail a bit further. Who are we kidding? Who's on the UPC payroll in town, both over and under the counter? When the facts finally come out (and they will), some folks might be very surprised. Others won't.

Do you want to know the truth or would you rather press on and bear the consequences? Remember the time-honored warning that "all that glitters isn't gold" and don't let yourself be misled by money with all of its vain promises. Visit us at www.cohoctonfree.com, browse our "Updates" section, and then contact us to find out how you can help get out the vote this fall for people who will examine the facts more carefully and genuinely listen to all of us. Thanks!

