## ASSISTANT TO BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REPORT December 18, 2013

- The Turnpike Bridge is now open to traffic. A remaining guardrail issue will most likely wait until spring to be corrected. In the meantime jersey barriers will be used in place of the guardrail. Thank you to the Highway Department for completing this project and thank you to the residents of Ashby for your patience.
- The Board of Selectmen received an email notification from the Department of Energy Resources that the Town of Ashby has been designated as a Green Community. Along with this designation the Town has been awarded a grant of \$133,350. Thank you to the Energy Efficiency Committee for their efforts in successfully applying for this grant!
- Meat raffles will be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in January, February, and March at 2:00 p.m. at the American Legion.
- The Selectmen have received the following mail, email, memos and faxes:
  - ❖ Letter from Linda Stacy regarding Tree Lighting Ceremony Correction
  - \* Conservation Commission November 6<sup>th</sup> and November 20<sup>th</sup> Minutes
  - ❖ Letter from Derek Saari regarding Property on Fitchburg State Road
  - ❖ Montachusett Regional Transit Authority FY13 Audit (One Original submitted to Chairman)
  - Letter from MMA regarding voting Procedures for Annual Business Meeting
  - ❖ Letter from MMA regarding Annual Meeting & Trade Show Registration
  - **❖** MMA's The Beacon

## • Public Service Announcements:

- + All eligible individuals (seniors and ADA qualified) wishing to participate in the Meals on Wheels Program should contact Kathryn Becker at 386-2424, ex. 27. Meals are only \$2.25 and are now delivered Monday through Friday around noon.
- + MART Shuttle Service is available to all eligible (60 years or older and ADA qualified) individuals. Ashby residents may use the van Monday through Friday for medical appointments, social day care 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: Board of Assessors, Board of Health, Cultural Council, Historical Commission, Historic District Commission, Parks Commissioner, Senior Tax Work-off Program, Waste Oil Coordinator and Zoning Board of Appeals