

Encourage Tech Park Turbine

I was stunned by the following sentence in the article in last Friday's Enterprise titled "Neighbors Oppose Tech Park Turbine": "Yet many residents maintained that Mr. Webb was simply looking for a way to make a profit."

Well, absolutely. I applaud Mr. Webb's efforts to seek a profit. I further applaud his efforts to make a profit by reducing his use of fossil fuels by seeking a low-impact, local source of energy.

May I remind the residents of Falmouth that profit means positive cash flow. It means a successful, viable business. It is profit from local, independent, successful businesses that generates the wealth, locally, that is most likely to get fed back into local projects.

As has been pointed out recently in the local press, local charities are suffering from the buyout of local business (notably banks), which sucks the profits out of town, in turn reducing the money available for local charities.

Falmouth businesses do give back to Falmouth. We want to encourage more. We want to encourage people like Mr. Webb, who are using town land set aside just for business (Falmouth Technology Park) to solve problems in a creative and low-impact way.

Or perhaps Falmouth residents prefer more oil spills on Buzzards Bay, and perhaps next time, the oil will blow ashore and poison Falmouth beaches, one of the cornerstones of our economy. I am one Falmouth neighbor who is still waiting to celebrate the day when I can see the town turbine at the wastewater treatment plant turning from our deck. Don't tell me that the NIMBYs are holding that up, too.

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