

## Report of the Tax Collector As of March 31, 2020

- March deposits were \$5,773.47 reflecting \$1,984.80 from Hebron current year taxes, \$2,770.56 from Lebanon current year taxes, \$312.88 Hebron prior year taxes, \$444.71 Hebron Interest, \$179.70 Lebanon interest and \$80.62 Hebron lien fees.
- Year to date collections through March are \$153,825.39.
  - Hebron: \$58,200.25;
  - Lebanon: \$95,625.14.
- On April 1<sup>st</sup>, Governor Ned Lamont signed Executive Order 7S. Among other things, it addressed programs to offer relief to taxpayers by way of reduced interest on delinquent taxes and/ or a deferred deadline for payments extended to October 1st. The Board will need to vote on which, if any programs the District will offer. The deadline to notify OPM of the decision is April 25<sup>th</sup>. Note: On the statewide conference call with Martin Heft of OPM, the general feeling was that most towns will offer the Deferment Program but not the Low Interest Program. I confirmed this with Adam Cohen. Also almost all towns are offering the October 1<sup>st</sup> deadline to ALL taxpayers, not just those who would attest that they were financially impacted by a reduction in income of 20% or more.
- Banks that escrow taxes must continue to pay on time (no extension).
- Liens must still be filed by June 30<sup>th</sup>. Notices must go out at least 10 days before the liens are filed. Normally I send the notices in April and file the liens near the end of June but I will wait until early June to send the notices this year.
- I have been discussing the option of offering online tax information and payments through QDS,. They would provide a link to our website and maintain it for us. There is normally a charge to set up the program and a monthly maintenance fee but they are offering free set up and services through 6/30/2021. I've put out RFP's (Request for Proposal) to Fastpay, Point and Pay and Cloud Invoice. I do not yet have information about costs to the District. Fees are generally paid by the tax payer but we certainly don't want any surprises. All three vendors can work with TD Bank.
- The tax sales being conducted by Adam Cohen in conjunction with the Town of Lebanon that were scheduled for May 12<sup>th</sup> at the Town Hall have been suspended.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eileen Curtin". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the closing phrase.

Eileen Curtin  
Amston Lake Tax District  
Tax Collector