TOWN MANAGER EXTENDS PAYMENT DUE DATES FOR TOWN BILLS AND EXEMPTIONS AND TAX DEFERRAL APPLICATIONS

BARNSTABLE, MA – Town Manager Mark Ells, acting under newly granted authority by the Legislature and Governor, is announcing the extension of due dates for the following real estate and personal property bills, motor vehicle excise bills, water and sewer utility bills, and exemption and deferral applications:

Fourth Quarter Real Estate and Personal Property Tax Bills:
- Original Due Date: May 1, 2020
- New Due Date: June 1, 2020

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:
- Any bills issued with a due date of March 10, 2020, or later are now due on June 1, 2020, regardless of the due date printed on the bill

Water and Sewer Utility Bills:
- Any bills issued with a due date of March 10, 2020, or later are now due on June 1, 2020, regardless of the due date printed on the bill

Property Tax Personal Exemption and Tax Deferral Applications:
- Original Due Date: April 1, 2020
- Extended Due Date: June 1, 2020

In addition to extending the due date for payments, The Town Manager is also waiving the payment of interest and other penalties in the event of late payment of any real estate, personal property, motor vehicle excise, boat excise, and water or sewer utility bills for an additional month, giving Barnstable taxpayers until June 30, 2020, to make payment without incurring interest or demand late fees.

Please note that this newly granted authority only allows municipal chief executives to extend statutory payment deadlines and waive statutory interest and penalties through the end of the fiscal year on June 30, 2020. Under the new state legislation, payments made after June 30, 2020 will be subject to interest and penalties back to June 1, 2020.

During the COVID-19 emergency, the office of the Treasurer/Collector is closed to the public. However, there are several optional payment methods available:
1. Mail checks using the envelope provided or to the Town of Barnstable, PO Box 40, Hyannis, MA 02601
2. Online thru the Town of Barnstable website under Quicklinks/Pay bills online
3. Leave check payments in the outside drop box located next to the walkway leading to Town Hall. Please do not leave any cash in the drop box, checks only.

If you have any questions regarding property, excise and sewer bill payments, please call the Tax Collector’s Office at 508-862-4054 or email to taxcollector@town.barnstable.ma.us

Questions regarding water bills can be directed to the Town’s Water Supply Division at 508-775-0063.

Questions regarding Residential, Veterans, Seniors, and Blind Exemption applications can be directed to the Town Assessor’s office by calling 508.862.4022 or 508.862.4020 or email to assessor@town.barnstable.ma.us

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