

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the tax rate?

The 2011 tax rate has been set at \$12.20 per 1,000 of assessed valuation.

What is the tax year?

Throughout the state of New Hampshire the tax year runs from April 1 through the following March 31. Property assessments are based on the condition of the property as of April 1st each year.

When are property tax bills due?

Tax bills are issued twice each year. The first bill of the year is an estimate, based on one-half of the previous year's tax rate. This bill is mailed out at the end of May and is due and payable on July 1st. The tax rate is set by the State of New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration in the fall of each year. The second tax bill is issued after the new tax rate has been set and is due and payable on December 1st. This bill is calculated using the new rate multiplied by the property's assessed value as of April 1st, minus any payments made on the first bill.

What if my taxes are escrowed by my mortgage company?

Your bank or mortgage company will instruct you as to whether or not you need to send them a copy of your tax bill. Contact the tax office for payment verification.

Where do I sign up for electric service?

For existing services, applications are available on the town website or at the Town Offices located at 84 South Main Street – (603) 569-8150. For new services, contact the Municipal Electric Department Technical Operations Center located at 133 Middleton Road - (603) 569-8157.

To protect against loss, the Department may require a security in the form of a cash deposit or other guarantee for new tenants.

When are electric bills issued?

Electric accounts are billed monthly. Each section of town is divided up into routes which are read and billed around the same time each month. Charges for service are predicted on monthly billing which, as far as practicable will be a minimum of twenty-five (25) days apart. All bills are due on presentation.

Where do I sign up for water/sewer service?

Applications for both existing and new water and/or sewer services are available on the town website or at the Town Offices located at 84 South Main Street – (603) 569-8183. Water/sewer services are billed to the owner of the property as listed on the Town tax records. Upon request, copies of bills (3rd party billing) may be sent to tenants.

When are water and/or sewer bills issued?

Water/sewer bills are presented on a quarterly basis and are computed on the basis of consumption as determined by meter readings. Seasonal customers are billed annually in August of each year.

Where can I pay taxes, electric and water/sewer bills?

Payments can be mailed to PO Box 629, Wolfeboro, NH 03894; brought into the office at 84 South Main Street; or dropped off at the 24 hour payment slot located in the last door on the left in the Town Hall building.

Property taxes can also be paid on-line or by phone with your credit card. On-line just follow the links located on either the Home page of the website or the Tax Collector's page or by phone call toll free **1-866-923-2197**. You will need the account number from your tax bill to use this service.