Tax Collector’s Report for the Month of – **August 2022**

Collection Rate:

Current Taxes Collected: $1,157,761.10

Interest on Current Taxes Collected: $10,240.89

Delinquent Taxes Collected: $71,548.47

Interest on Delinquent Taxes Collected: $28,233.88

TOTAL COLLECTED IN JULY: $**1,267,784.34**

Notes:

* + During the past month the office has been working on our delinquency enforcements:
    - Tax Sale: we are down to 10 properties. The sale date is scheduled for October 28th, 2022 10:00am in Meeting Room 1. Interested parties may purchase a bid packet from my office – packets are $20.00/ea.
    - The office sent over 548 records to Tax Serve our collection agency. If you receive a letter from Tax Serve please respond to them so that we do not take further actions.
  + New Electronic Payment company “Invoice Cloud” will be online starting Monday September 19, 2022. Taxpayers can sign up to receive text/email alerts for when they have a bill. They can also pay their bills electronically using apple pay, google pay, Venmo, PayPal, Visa, Master Card, Discover, AMEX, and checking account. Additionally, Taxpayers can pay by text alerts and set up their accounts for auto payments. Please remembers that Fees do apply when using these features: ACH/EFT (checking) Flat fee of $1.50 – all other payments 2.95% of the charged amount with a min. fee charge $2.50
  + Peoples’ Bank merged with M&T over Labor Day weekend. The Tax Office has had numerous obstacles/ seen some serious deficiencies to their new ways of banking that do not meet our standards and will not pass an audit. Additionally, The Tax Collector’s Association as a whole is attempting to address these issues and it’s falling on deaf ears. I have met & spoken to the First Selectman/ Finance Director & Town Treasurer to put out an RFP for services.