

PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

For more even revenue flow and to avoid the expense of short term borrowing, the Town of Barnstable will issue tax bills on a quarterly payment schedule. The Barnstable Town Council voted to change from semi-annual to quarterly tax billing in fiscal 2006 which began July 1, 2005.

Payment Schedule for Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes for Fiscal 2010

Preliminary Tax Bills mailed by July 1, 2009

- ✓ First Quarter due August 3, 2009
- ✓ Second Quarter due November 2, 2009

Actual Tax Bills mailed by January 29, 2010

- ✓ Third Quarter **due March 1, 2010**
- ✓ Fourth Quarter **due May 3, 2010**

Check the Town Website at www.town.barnstable.ma.us to explore the option of scheduling your payments on line. Click on **Ebill** on the website's home page for details. For information regarding abatements and exemptions, contact the Assessing Division at 508-862-4022. Inquiries on tax payments should be directed to the Town Collector's Office at 508-862-4054. For further information on the Town Council vote, contact the Town Council's Office at 508-862-4602.

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

The Town of Barnstable has accepted MGL Chapter 60, Section 3D, which allows the Town to establish a fund to defray the real estate taxes of low income elderly and disabled persons. It allows taxpayers to contribute to the fund through a voluntary check-off on their tax bill. Please indicate your donation on the front of the tax bill and add the amount contributed to the tax due. Enclose one check payable to the Town of Barnstable. In fiscal 2009, 18 residents received BEDTAC awards.

For more information on the Elderly/Disabled Fund, call Treasurer at 508-862-4653.

The success of the Martin J. Flynn Scholarship Fund program lies in your hands. We have been able to help 16 deserving Barnstable residents in their efforts to achieve higher education last year. To assist us in our goal, please indicate your contribution in Scholarship Fund box on the front of the tax bill. Then add the amount contributed to the tax due. Enclose one check for the entire amount payable to the Town of Barnstable. We are growing and your contribution will keep it going!

For additional information on the Martin J. Flynn Scholarship Fund, call Town Manager at 508-862-4610.

ON-LINE TAX PAYMENTS--EBILL

We are pleased to offer taxpayers in our community a new, convenient method to pay real estate and personal property tax bills on line. To make an electronic payment, visit the Town Of Barnstable's website at www.town.barnstable.ma.us and click on **Ebill**. This payment option is available **until the due date** of the tax bill. There is no sign up cost. **Please use your current bill number or Parcel Identification number.**

- ❖ Easy, convenient, and secure
 - ❖ Electronic bank transaction
 - ❖ Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
 - ❖ 25 cents per ACH transfer (electronic check), less than a stamp. Use a checking or savings account
 - ❖ Use debit/credit card for an additional percentage based fee for the transaction
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PLEASE NOTE: If you are using your own on-line banking process, please make sure that you have the correct mailing address on record. Please use Town of Barnstable, P.O. Box 40, Hyannis, MA 02601 to avoid any delay. These checks require a manual process to post to your account.

Due to the enforcement of Postal Regulations, it is imperative that your correct mailing address is on file with the Assessor's office. This is your responsibility!