IMPORTANT NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

**Real Estate Bill**
If a bank pays your taxes for you, the bill will go directly to your bank. If you receive a bill, please forward to your bank.

**Motor Vehicle Bill**
If you no longer own a vehicle, have assessment or exemption questions, call Assessor’s office at 860-767-4340 ext.124) or e-mail assessor@essexct.gov. DO NOT IGNORE BILL.

**Personal Property Bill**
If you were in business as of October 1, 2021, the tax is due and payable in full.

Interest is normally charged at the rate of 1.5% per month, 18% per year from the due date of the tax, with a portion of a month being considered a full month.

**We are enclosing envelopes for your convenience in mailing your payment or dropping in our parking lot mailbox.**

MOTOR VEHICLE TAX is based on the assessment date of October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022. If your vehicle was not replaced but was SOLD, DESTROYED OR STOLEN, contact the Assessor’s Office for a possible credit adjustment. Return original tax bill with proof before the 15th of the month tax is due. Remember plates must be returned if vehicle is no longer owned by you or if you move out-of-state. All information on your tax bill comes from the Motor Vehicle Department including your mailing address. Any changes must be made through that department.

SUPPLEMENTAL MOTOR VEHICLE TAX is for new replacement vehicles purchased after October 1, 2021 and prior to August 1, 2022 and will receive a tax bill by January 1, 2023. Supplemental tax bills are prorated during the assessment period October 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022. If your plates were transferred to another vehicle, an automatic credit will appear on your bill for the period the replacement vehicle was registered allowing a credit from your July bill.

The mill rate for the Grand List of 2021 has been set at 22.65 for Real & Personal Property, and 19.50 for Motor Vehicle.

The current estimate of revenue from the State of Connecticut for various state financed programs for fiscal year 2022-2023 is $452,676 for the Town of Essex. Without this assistance your 2022-2023 property tax rate would be 23.32 mills.