August 7, 2020

To: The Honorable Council Chair, Members of the Town Council, Town Manager, Finance Director, and Town Clerk of the Town of Cape Elizabeth, Maine.

Subject: 2020 – 2021 Tax Rate Composition and Percentage Breakdown.

Dear Honorable Council Chair, Council Members, and Town Manager:

As a result of the annual valuation analysis of the Town of Cape Elizabeth’s taxable properties, I am setting the tax rate at $19.92 per thousand dollars of valuation for fiscal year 2021.

The town’s certified ratio, as reported to Maine Revenue Services, for fiscal year 2021 is 80%; this is based on the ratio of ASSESSED value versus SALE prices. The silver-lining is that sales are strong, unfortunately, we have to adjust our exemptions by 80%. Homestead Exemptions are $20,000, Veterans/Widow Exemptions are $4,800 and Blind Exemptions are $3,200 in reduced taxable value.

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<tr>
<th>Total Assessed Valuation &amp; Tax Revenue</th>
<th>$ 1,744,146,500</th>
<th>0.01992</th>
<th>$ 34,743,398</th>
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Taxes to be raised:

- Gross Appropriations (from Budget): $46,896,557
- Less Homestead Exemptions Reimbursed: $(616,046)
- Less BETE reimbursed: $(15,450)
- Less non-tax revenues: $(11,738,141)
- Net minimum to be raised by taxes: $34,526,920
- Plus Overlay (covering abatements and un-collectables): $216,478
- Net to be raised by taxes: $34,743,398

Taxes are committed to the Tax Collector on August 7, 2020, and the tax bills will be mailed out on or around August 16, 2020. The due date for tax payments will be October 1, 2020 and April 1, 2021, with a late interest rate of 8% per annum (as mandated by the State). The last date for appeals would be February 8, 2021 (185 days after commitment date).

Sincerely,

Clinton J. Swett, CMA #722
Cape Elizabeth, Maine, Town Assessor
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Dear Honorable Council Chair, Council Members, and Town Manager:

The 2020-2021 Tax rate has been set at $19.92 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. This rate is set for fiscal year 2021.

With the establishment of a tax rate there are many questions as to the composition and percentage breakdown of the rate by which a property is taxed. I have done a complete breakdown by consolidating municipal, County, and school departments. This breakdown is identified below, and contains the tax rate per grouping and the relationship of each rate as a percentage of the overall tax rate.

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<th>Tax Rate Composition and Percentage Breakdown</th>
<th>2021 Budget Amt</th>
<th>Percentage</th>
<th>Rate</th>
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<tr>
<td>Town Services</td>
<td>$6,957,976</td>
<td>20%</td>
<td>$3.989</td>
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<td>County Assessment</td>
<td>$1,518,473</td>
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<td>School Department</td>
<td>$26,271,063</td>
<td>76%</td>
<td>$15.062</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$34,743,398</strong></td>
<td><strong>100%</strong></td>
<td><strong>$19.922</strong></td>
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This information is supplied as an additional source of data on the composition of the tax rate for the Town of Cape Elizabeth. I hope that it is useful in discussions and in gaining a stronger understanding of the property tax rate.

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Cape Elizabeth, Maine, Town Assessor