TAX COLLECTION LEGAL NOTICE - 2025

Susan Lynn Brown, Town of Bethel Tax Collector

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Notice is hereby given: that I, Susan Lynn Brown, Town of Bethel Tax Collector have received the Tax Roll and Warrant for Collection of property taxes in the Town of Bethel, Sullivan County, New York for the year 2025 and fixed the following information/schedule for receiving taxes:

CHECKS SHOULD BE PAYABLE TO "TOWN OF BETHEL TAX COLLECTOR"

ALL CHECKS ARE SUBJECT TO COLLECTION

1. IF PAYING BY REGULAR MAIL:

Town of Bethel Tax Collector

PO Box 561, White Lake, NY 12786-0561

2. IF PAYING IN PERSON OR BY OVERNIGHT MAIL:

Town of Bethel Tax Collector

3454 Route 55, White Lake, NY 12786

3. IF PAYING BY DEBIT/CREDIT CARD or by ACH/eCheck,

GO TO: https://townofbethelny.us/tax-collector or www.TaxLookup.Net, Sullivan County, Town of Bethel (NOTE: For debit/credit cards, the vendor charges a 2.65% service fee, \$3.00 minimum)

FOR ACH/eChecks, the vendor charges a \$1.50/transaction fee)

TAX COLLECTOR OFFICE HOURS:

9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on the following dates:

JANUARY 2025: every Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday

FEBRUARY 2025: Tuesday, February 25th, Thursday, February 27th, Friday, February 28th MARCH 2025: Thursday, March 27th, Friday, March 28th & Saturday, March 29th & Monday, March 31st

Any changes to the above in-person schedule will be posted on the Town of Bethel website: <u>www.townofbethelny.us</u> or the Town of Bethel Facebook page: **Town of Bethel New York.**

ALL PAYMENTS WITH CASH MUST BE EXACT – WE WILL NOT HAVE CHANGE FOR CASH.

Please bring/send your tax bill or photocopy of the bill when making payments. Write your **Tax Map Number (SBL)** on your check and please provide us with your **phone number and email address.** Without the proper bill/owner identification, we will **NOT** be able to process your payment. We are not liable for mistakes made by the payee.

- An additional \$2 penalty will be added to your bill when the unpaid notices are sent on or before March 3rd (NYS Law)
- (Upon Request) Receipts will be mailed for full/final payment.
- \$20 Returned Check Charge (NSF) plus bank fees (if any), per check. Re-presented checks must be bank checks, i.e. Certified Check

 ** PAYMENT SCHEDULE **

<u>Full Payment in January 2025</u> If, paying in full, please return the entire tax bill with your payment (including your telephone number) *Installment payments* MUST be paid as follows:

January - 50% due by 1/31/2025 at 0% interest. Please send the "Payment #1" stub with your check & add your telephone number. February - 25% due by 2/28/2025 at 1% interest on remaining amount. Please send the "Payment #2" stub & add your telephone number. March – 25% due by 3/31/2025 at 2% interest + \$2.00 unpaid notice fee. Please send the remainder of the bill & add your telephone number.

RECEIPTS FOR JANUARY & FEBRUARY INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS WILL ONLY BE SENT UPON REQUEST. You may obtain a duplicate tax bill/receipt or check the status of your 2025 payment at www.TaxLookup.net, Sullivan County, Town of Bethel.

If payments are not timely (i.e., postmarked by the US Post Office), they will **not** be accepted. (Postage meter stamps are **not** acceptable) If you miss the January 31, 2025 (postmarked) deadline, the installment payments are no longer an option. All tax payments postmarked after January 31, 2025, will be subject to a late penalty (or penalties), as listed above. **LATE PAYMENT PENALTIES WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.** Credit, Debit & eChecks can only be made with the first payment you make (meaning you cannot pay by credit, debit & eChecks for all installment payments, just the full payment or the first installment payment.)

If you no longer own the property as of January 1, 2025, or your address has changed, please note your new address & return it with the tax bill (as well as your payment); we will update our records. All address changes must be in writing. Property Owners 65 years of age or older may be eligible for senior citizen's tax exemptions on their primary residence. IF YOU ARE A SENIOR CITIZEN, A PERSON WITH A PHYSICAL DISABILITY AND/OR A VETERAN, YOU MAY BE ENTITLED TO A PARTIAL EXEMPTION FROM PROPERTY TAXES. Eligible homeowners have until March 1, 2025, to apply for exemptions. Renewal exemptions are required annually. Please contact the Town of Bethel Assessor's office (845-583-4350 extension 103 or 104) for more information.

The Town of Bethel Tax Collector's Warrant expires March 31, 2025. If you need to make a payment after March 31, 2025, please contact the Sullivan County Treasurer's Office at (845) 807-0200 – 100 North Street, Government Center, Monticello, New York 12701.