

**TOWN OF LINCOLN
NOTICE
PROPOSED PROPERTY
TAX RATE CHANGE**

The Town of Lincoln proposes to increase its property tax levy to \$47,457,004 in the 2007-2008 budget year; the property tax levy this year is \$45,146,545. This is a proposed increase of \$2,310,459 (5.12%).

A statistical revaluation has been performed in the Town of Lincoln resulting in new assessed values for residential and commercial properties. Estimated tax rates for the budget year 2007-2008 reflect the estimated change in assessed valuations after application of eligible exemptions.

It has been estimated that the proposed increase in property tax revenues will result in a residential real estate rate of \$16.22 per \$1,000 assessed valuation as compared to the current property tax rate of \$19.49 per \$1,000 assessed valuation. It has been estimated that the proposed increase in property tax revenues will result in a commercial real estate rate of \$20.22 per \$1,000 assessed valuation as compared to the current property tax rate of \$23.71 per \$1,000 assessed valuation. It has been estimated that the proposed increase in property tax revenues will result in a tangible personal property tax rate of \$24.13 per \$1,000 assessed valuation as compared to the current property tax rate of \$27.62 per \$1,000 assessed valuation.

The property tax levy for the 2007-2008 budget year also includes motor vehicles at a tax rate of \$30.66 per \$1,000 assessed valuation and retail/wholesale inventory at a tax rate of \$2.46 per \$1,000 assessed valuation in accordance with recently enacted state law.

Property tax rates of \$16.23 for residential real estate, \$20.23 for commercial real estate and \$24.16 for tangible personal property (adjusted current property tax rate) would be needed in the coming year budget year to raise the maximum levy authorized by Section 44-5-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

The Town of Lincoln budget will be considered at the Annual Financial Town Meeting on May 14, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. at the Lincoln Town Hall, Old River Road, Lincoln, Rhode Island.

The above property tax estimates have been computed in a manner approved by the Rhode Island Department of Administration.

T. Joseph Almond, Town Administrator

Town of Lincoln Current and Proposed Budgets

Function purpose of expenditures	Amount actually budgeted for current year		Proposed budget year	
Expenditures	Operating 2006-2007	Capital 2006-2007	Operating 2007-2008	Capital 2007-2008
1 Education	44,752,971	239,649	46,627,649	533,792
2 Financial Administration	826,938		826,938	
3 Public Works	3,616,735	170,000	3,603,009	449,000
4 Public Safety	4,237,372	73,810	4,158,651	60,000
5 Fire Protection				
6 Sewerage	335,627	45,681	502,085	79,000
7 Other Sanitation	147,420	46,209	150,713	46,209
8 Parks and Recreation	583,356	30,000	598,076	40,000
9 Interest on General Debt	2,670,054		2,425,251	
10 Principal on general Debt	4,055,000		3,800,000	
11 General government	4,161,036		4,374,043	
12 Health and welfare	171,864		180,963	100,000
13 Libraries	938,061		963,915	10,000
14 Grants and contributions	66,000		66,000	
Summary	66,562,434	605,349	68,277,293	1,318,001
TOTAL EXPENSES	67,167,783		69,595,294	
Revenues		Proposed budget year 2006-2007		Proposed budget year 2006-2007
1 Local property tax		45,146,545		47,457,004
2 Local non-property		3,294,600		3,120,100
3 State		13,851,639		14,218,190
4 Video lottery		4,875,000		4,800,000
5 Surplus		-		-
TOTAL REVENUES		<u>67,167,784</u>		<u>69,595,294</u>