

Town of Vermont
Becca Thompson, Treasurer
PO Box 254, Mount Horeb, WI 53572

Dear Town of Vermont Resident:

Please read this letter carefully to ensure proper payment of your property taxes and dog licenses.

Make checks payable to “Town of Vermont” – A separate check for dog licenses please.

Escrow checks from your mortgage company: If the check is made out to:

You: Deposit the check into your bank and write a new check to “Town of Vermont”.

You and the Town of Vermont: **Endorse the check** and send it with your tax bill.

Town of Vermont: Just send it with your tax bill.

Payments (at least 1st installments) must be received by **January 31, 2021** to avoid interest and penalties. A post mark by this date is not good enough. I must **receive** your payment on or before January 31st. I am required by ordinance to forward any payments that I receive after this date to the county, regardless of post mark date. My experience lately is that mail delivery has been slower than usual. I highly recommend you do not wait until the last minute to mail your payment.

Payments received or postmarked on or before December 31, 2020 will be recorded as paid in 2020. Yes, a postmark in this case is acceptable.

Payments by Mail: Payments can be mailed to the address listed above. Please send the bottom portion of the tax bill with payment. This helps to ensure your payment is recorded correctly. If you would like a receipt mailed to you, you must provide a self-addressed stamped envelope with your payment. If you would like a receipt e-mailed to you, please provide an e-mail address on the bottom portion of the tax bill when remitting your payment.

Payments in Person: Given current public health concerns, we strongly encourage you to mail in your payment or drop off your payment at Town Hall (4017 Cty Hwy JJ) via the drop slot on the front door at any time. For those who require in person payment, I will be available at Town Hall during the following times:

Tuesday, December 29th, 4pm – 7pm

Thursday, January 28th, 4pm – 7pm

Credit Card Payments

The Town of Vermont does not have an on-line or credit card payment option.

(More Information on Back)

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Dog Licenses

Cost: **\$15.00/each** if spayed or neutered

\$20.00/each if not spayed or neutered

Please make check payable to “Town of Vermont” **but separate from your property tax check.**

If you licensed a dog with the town in 2020, their rabies expiration information will appear on the back of this letter. To re-license them in 2021, you will need to provide a copy of current rabies information from a veterinarian (if rabies vaccination is expired), pay the appropriate fee, and, if remitting by mail, **enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope** so the dog tag(s) can be mailed back to you. You do not need to complete a new application.

If you need to license a dog that was not licensed in 2020, please fill out the application on the back of this letter, provide a copy of current rabies information from your veterinarian, pay the appropriate fee, and, if remitting by mail, **enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope** so the dog tag(s) can be mailed back to you.

**** Rabies information that is provided will not be returned to you. Please send a copy. ****

Covid-19 Safety Precautions for In-Person Payment Dates

In order to increase the safety of the residents of our town, we ask all those who are able to mail their payment into our PO Box or to utilize the drop box on the front door of town hall. If you choose to attend one of the in-person collection dates, you will be required to wear a face covering, sanitize your hands upon entering and adhere to social distancing practices. Please check the front door when you arrive during collection time for further instructions and limits on the number of people allowed into the building at one time. Last year I genuinely enjoyed meeting residents during in-person collection dates and am sorry to miss the opportunity this year. But I must do my part in keeping the community safe.

Mount Horeb Fire Department

Upon completion of the new Mount Horeb Fire Department public safety building, the Department secured a loan with USDA Rural Development. The town of Vermont is responsible for covering our share of the annual payment over the 40-year life of the loan. The town board voted to use our share of the proceeds from the sale of the old building to make the required payments in 2020 and 2021. Beginning with next year's tax bill, the total levy and mill rate for property owners within this district will increase to include the required annual loan payment.

Referenda/Resolution Information

See the back side of your tax bill for Referenda/Resolution information. This applies to property owners in the Wisconsin Heights School District as well as the Mount Horeb Area School District.

Tax and Assessment Information Available On-Line

Dane County maintains a public website called Access Dane. This website contains assessment and tax information, including tax payment history. Be aware that payment information for the current tax year takes a few weeks to be posted by the county. The web address is <http://accessdane.co.dane.wi.us>.

Since assessment and tax information is publicly available on Access Dane, a tax roll summary sheet will not be prepared. If you have questions or need assistance using Access Dane, please feel free to contact me.

Assessor

If you have questions about your assessment, please contact the Town of Vermont Assessor, Equity Appraisal, at 608-826-0009.

If you have any other questions, please feel free to contact me at one of the following:

**E-mail: treasurer@townofvermont.com
Phone: 608-720-9897**

Wishing you a Happy and Safe Holiday Season!

Becca M Thompson, Town Treasurer

Application for Dog License

Owner's Name	Rabies Shot Given
Phone Number	
Street Address	Zip Code
Name of Dog	Breed
Color/Markings	Age
Name of Vet	Rabies Tag No.
	Manufacturer Name
	Manufacturer Serial #
Neutered Male <input type="checkbox"/>	Unneutered Male <input type="checkbox"/>
Spayed Female <input type="checkbox"/>	Unspayed Female <input type="checkbox"/>