

**TOWN CLERK
APRIL 2023**

Tax Season

Total warrant is \$15,638,702.13. To date we have collected \$14,812,908.13. The last day to pay taxes in our office was March 31, 2023. We have reconciled and all monies have been paid to Town of Lansing Supervisor and Tompkins County Finance.

Cayuga Lake National Bank

Cayuga Lake National Bank has a municipal savings account rate of over 4%. We deposited tax payments in the savings account to earn additional interest until it was time to pay Tompkins County. The savings account earned \$20,647.82 in interest on deposits made in February and March. This interest has been paid to the Town of Lansing Supervisor. Our total interest earned in 2022 was \$254.81.

One Day Marriage Officiant License

New York State passed an act to amend the Domestic Relations Law which requires some marriage officiants to buy a one-day marriage officiant license from the Town Clerk that sold the marriage license. The officiant license is specific to the marriage license that the couple purchased. The Town keeps all of the \$25 fee that is charged for this. We will learn more about this at our New York State Town Clerks Conference later this month.

Tax Exemption for Qualifying Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Members

Our office worked together with Town Counsel to draft a local law granting a property tax exemption to Volunteer Firefighters and Volunteer Ambulance Members who qualify. A public hearing is being set for the May meeting, after which a local law will be voted on.

Water & Sewer Bills

The next quarterly water and sewer bills will be sent out on April 28th. Payments are due by May 25th. Residents may apply for assistance with their water and sewer bills through the NYS Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program. <https://otda.ny.gov/programs/water-assistance/>

Rabies Clinics (Tompkins County Health Department)

Tompkins County Health Department is hosting two upcoming Rabies Clinics. April 22 at the TCAT Bus Garage and May 3 at the Danby Fire Station. Visit their website for more information - <https://tompkinscountyny.gov/health/rabies#clinics>