

**REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR- 2012**

Plainfield tax payers have continued to make timely payments which enables our town to pay its obligations without having to borrow monies. As I reflect on the last twenty-seven years, we have gone from hand posting of taxes to computer programs which have made record keeping more accurate and produce up to date reports easily making it possible to keep the town administration aware of payment trends or struggles. We do look at delinquencies and consider the circumstances of the taxpayers. The adoption of the tax lien process over the tax sale put the final disposition of delinquencies in the hands of the Selectboard. I have found that our governing board have dealt with problems with compassion and understanding and though we have deeded miscellaneous pieces of land, no one has ever been forced to leave their home.

As property taxes will continue to rise with expenses, it is still the will of the townspeople that control these expenses. While we all want the best for the Town, we must look to our fellow taxpayers and realize that not everyone can afford the increases in taxes that come with the added expenses.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Ruth Ann Wheeler**  
 Tax Collector

**TAX COLLECTOR'S FINANCIAL REPORT  
 Fiscal Year ending December 31<sup>st</sup> 2012**

-Debits-			
<b>Uncollected Taxes</b>			
	Beginning of fiscal year	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>
	Property taxes		\$299,552
	Timber yield tax		\$170
	Land use change tax		\$0
	Excavations		\$0
	Prior year's credit balances	(\$31)	
	This year's new credits	(\$4,842)	
<b>Taxes Committed to Collector</b>			
	Property taxes	\$6,894,167	\$10,892
	Land use change taxes	\$16,930	
	Yield taxes	\$26,568	
<b>Overpayments</b>			
	Property taxes	\$2,946	
	Interest collected on delinquent taxes	\$3,725	\$18,398
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>		<b>\$6,939,462</b>	<b>\$329,011</b>

-Credits-		
<b>Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year</b>		
Property taxes	\$6,536,208	\$144,604
Land use changes taxes	\$16,930	\$1,150
Excavation	\$0	\$0
Timber yield taxes	\$23,491	\$170
Interest on taxes	\$3,724	\$18,398
Converted to liens (principal only)	0	\$165,821
Prior year overpayments assigned	(\$31)	
<b>Abatements Granted During Fiscal Year</b>		
Property taxes	\$5,767	\$19
<b>Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year</b>		
Property taxes	\$352,193	
Timber Yield Tax	3,078	
Property Tax Credit Balance	(\$1,896)	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$6,939,462</b>	<b>\$329,011</b>

**TAX COLLECTOR'S LIEN REPORT**  
December 31<sup>st</sup> 2012

-Debits-			
<b>Unredeemed Liens</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2009+</b>
Beginning of year	\$0	\$108,463	\$109,606
New liens	\$178,146		
Interests/Penalties	\$2,283	\$10,418	\$19,820
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$180,429</b>	<b>\$118,881</b>	<b>\$129,426</b>
-Credits-			
<b>Remittance to Treasurer</b>			
Redemptions	\$60,568	\$37,959	\$56,411
Interest/Penalties	\$2,283	\$10,418	\$19,820
Liens deed to municipality	\$957	\$953	\$640
Unredeemed liens	\$116,621	\$69,551	\$52,555
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$180,429</b>	<b>\$118,881</b>	<b>\$129,426</b>