DIGHTON RESIDENTS IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TOWN CLERK/TREASURER/COLLECTOR OFFICE HOURS: M-T-TH 7:30-4:30 –W-7:30-5:30-WED. EVE. 6:30-8:00 F-CLOSED

CONTACT THE DEPARTMENTS BELOW FOR OFFICE HOURS

Assessors:	508-669-5043	Dighton Water District:	508-824-9390	Police Non-Emergency:	508-669-6711
Accountant:	508-669-6011	Dog Officer:	774-218-5340	Prime Time:	508-669-6272
Building Inspector:	508-669-4524	Fire Non-Emergency:	508-669-6611	Selectmen:	508-669-6431
Cable:	508-669-4502	Health:	508-669-5182	Sewer:	508-669-5111
Council on Aging:	508-823-0095	Highway:	508-669-5461	Town Clerk:	508-669-5411
Conservation:	508-669-6431	Library:	508-669-6421	Treasurer/Collector:	508-669-5411
Dighton Fire District:	508-822-1820	Planning Board:	508-669-6636	Veteran Agent:	508-669-5027

PLEASE CALL THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE YOUR REAL ESTATE/EXCISE TAX BILL

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE A DROP BOX IS NOW AVAILABLE FOR TAX PAYMENTS (CHECKS ONLY NO CASH)

Real Estate:

- Quarterly bills due Aug. 1st, Nov. 1st, Feb. 1st, & May 1st. Fiscal Tax Year (July 1st to June 30th).
- Tax bills will be mailed twice a year, normally by July 1st & January 1st
- Each bill will contain **Two Payment Coupons**, one for each quarter.
- Request for previous years tax information: Mail in a request form or forms are available at the Tax Collector's Office (Information will be available within 10 days)
- Real Estate abatements are accepted only during the month of January in the Assessor's Office

Excise Tax:

- The first mailing occurs in the middle of February. Additional mailings occur throughout the year.
- **When transferring or canceling plates please notify the Assessor's Office**.

Sewer Bills:

- Mailed out twice a year (February & August) payments can be made at the Tax Collector's Office.

Town Census:

- Mailed in January. Complete form & return to the Town Clerk's Office. 979 Somerset Ave. Dighton, MA 02715.
- **It is very important to respond to the Census, as sending 2nd notices is an added expense to the residents of Dighton**.
- The local census is used not only to maintain voting and jury lists, but also to aid in school enrollment projections, public safety and senior citizens' needed for certain privileges, such as certain veterans' benefits and reduced tuition rates at state colleges and universities.
- Completing the census form **does not register you to vote**. See instructions below.

Town Meetings:

- **Please monitor Channel 9, local newspaper, sign in front of Town Hall, Town Website and local Post Offices for Town Meeting dates**
- Annual Town Meeting - 1st Monday in May. (The Annual Town Meeting may be delayed by the Board of Selectmen to a date which would still allow completion of the Town Meeting prior to June 30th) at Dighton – Rehoboth Regional High School
- Special Town Meeting – Check postings at Town Hall, Dighton & North Dighton Post Offices or Fire Station for date, time and location
- Selectmen's Office - Meetings Wednesday evenings 7:30PM@ Town Hall

Voter Registration:

- Voter Registration forms are available at the Clerk's Office, Library and the Police Station.
- If you are a Registered Voter and move out of Dighton, it is very important to notify the Clerk's office.
- A new form must be completed to make any address change, name change or party enrollment change.

Elections:

- All Elections for both Precinct 1 and 2 are held in the gym at the Dighton Elementary School.
- Annual Town Election - 1st Saturday following the 1st Monday in April

Dog Licenses:

- Available January 1st each year. Proof of rabies certificate is required in order to obtain a license. **FEES**: M - $5.00, F - $10.00, S/N- $5.00
- **Late Fees: After April 1st Add: Five ($5.00) Dollars After June 1st Add: Fifteen ($15.00)**
- If you have recently moved to town or newly adopted a dog or puppy, late fees would not apply when licensing the new addition to your family

Business Certificates:

- Anyone operating a Business in the Town should contact the Town Clerk's Office to obtain a Business Certificate.

Recycling & Landfill:

- Contact Selectmen's Office for information: 508-669-6431 **Landfill Hours** **Tues.** 9AM – 11AM **Sat.** 9AM – 12PM
- When there is a holiday, trash will be delayed by one day. **Large** $15.00 **Small** $7.50 **Recycle bins** $8.00
- Trash bags available at: Town Hall - Selectmen's office, Almeida's Country Store, Hannaford's, Mendoza's Liquors, Mt. Hope Village Liquors, Rt. 44 Liquors , Fast Mart & Value Gas

Local Cable:

- Please monitor Channel 9 for Town Meeting dates local information and current events.
- To advertise on our Local Cable Station, there are forms available in the Selectmen's Office.

Veterans Services:

- Assistance with obtaining Veteran Services is available at Town Hall. Tel: 508-669-5027. E-mail dhirschy@townofdighton.com
- Veterans should send their DD214 to Veterans Services to the Town Hall 979 Somerset Ave. Dighton, MA 02715

Passports Applications Processed at Dighton Town Hall

- Monday – Thursday 9AM – 2PM 2nd Wednesday of the month 6PM – 8PM. Passport pictures available for a fee of $10.00.