The Town of Bristol is excited to provide you with easier way to pay your taxes. We have set up the Direct-Debit Tax Payment Program.

What Is The Program

When you participate in the Direct-Debit Tax payment program, your property taxes are automatically withdrawn from your checking or savings account on the due date(s). For your protection, the program is governed by state and federal regulations, and you can stop participating at any time, with appropriate notification.

Why Should I Consider Signing Up?

• Provides you peace of mind – No chance of forgetting to pay your taxes on time or no need to worry about your payment being lost in the mail because the payments will be automatically withdrawn from your account on the effective tax due date.

• Your payments are made safely, accurately and timely by using the Automated Clearing House system, the same system that deposits millions of paychecks and over half of all Social Security checks.

• Saves you time and money – No more writing checks paying postage or mailing your payments, not to mention driving your payments to the town office on the due date.

• Utilizes your tax dollars more efficiently by saving the Town time and money.

How Does It Work?

• Sign-up for this service with by the Town Treasurer at least 15 days prior to the due date to effectively set-up a pre-notification to your bank and delay any unforeseen complications.

• Checking and savings market accounts are accessed through the Direct-Debit Tax payment program.

• If the respective tax due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday, the payment will be taken out on the next business day without penalty.

• Your bank statement will serve as receipt for your tax records.

How Do I Sign Up?

• Simply complete the form on the back of this letter or download the form from the Town website.

• Return the completed form, with a canceled check or deposit slip, to the Town office at the address below.

• You will receive an email to confirm your enrollment.

What Happens If I Don't Have The Money In My Account?

• We would treat this the same way we would a bad check. The same fees would apply and result in the Town assessing interest and delinquent penalty fees on any overdue balance at rates stated on the annual property tax bill.

Please contact the Town office if you have any questions.

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