

## **WLLID 2023 Tax Report AGM**

### Tax Rate

The tax rate has remained at \$50.00 per parcel since 2014 and did not increase in 2023. The rate is set by the annual by-law and is not based on improvements or the size of the lot. It is the same \$50.00 charged for every property.

### Tax Date

Tax notices were mailed/emailed starting June 2<sup>nd</sup> and were due on July 15<sup>th</sup> providing a 6 week payment window. Late payments received a 10% penalty.

### Tax Payment

The majority of taxpayers paid by e-transfer this year. Paying by e-transfer is advantageous to tax payers because it takes less time, usually does not cost anything, is faster and more reliable than mail and you receive a receipt from the bank as soon as it is accepted. WLLID set an auto-deposit on the account this year removing the need to create a password for payment.

### Late Payers (over 2 years)

We were able to clear up a number of late payers this past summer. Based on the current data:

1 parcel in arrears since 2020

2 parcels in arrears since 2021

5 parcels in arrears since 2022

14 parcels neglecting to pay late penalty

19 parcels who have not paid 2023 invoices/late fees/penalties

Balance owing to date is \$2347.54

The Local Government Act Division 6 allows for recovery of taxes by tax sale. Other options would be collection agency or small claims court.

Outstanding tax statements were emailed/mailed to all parcel owners in August. These notices included the WLLID statement (attached) of the validity of our tax collection.

All those who own in the Wasa Lake Land Improvement District have a moral and financial responsibility to pay the taxes, penalties and interest on their account under the Community Charter, Local Government Act and the ID Tax Bylaw.

All parcel owners are encouraged to contact the WLLID to ensure their mailing address and/or email/phone details are current and up to date. It is the responsibility of the parcel owner to ensure their contact information is accurate.