

STATE OF CONNECTICUT - COUNTY OF TOLLAND INCORPORATED 1786

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WARNING NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TOWN OF ELLINGTON

December 10, 2012

Electors and citizens qualified to vote in town meetings of the Town of Ellington, Connecticut, are hereby warned that a Special Town Meeting will be held at the Ellington Town Hall, 55 Main Street, Ellington, Connecticut, on Monday, December 10, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. prevailing time to discuss and vote upon the following:

- 1. An appropriation in the amount of \$45,500 from the FY2012-2013 Unassigned Fund Balance to the FY 2012-2013 Police Budget to fund the 2013 DUI Enforcement Program Grant. This appropriation is 75% reimbursable through a State of Connecticut DUI Enforcement Grant in the amount of \$34,125. The net cost to the town is \$11,375.
- 2. Accept and expend the FY2013 DUI Enforcement Program Grant in the amount of \$45,500.
- 3. Adoption of the Tax Exemption for Farm Buildings Ordinance.

The proposed new Tax Exemption for Farm Buildings Ordinance is available for review in the Town Clerk's Office and at www.ellington-ct.gov.

Dated at Ellington, Connecticut, this 9th day of November, 2012.

PER ORDER OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Maurice Blanchette

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First Selectman

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TAX EXEMPTION FOR FARM BUILDINGS:

Pursuant to the authority granted by Connecticut General Statutes, Section 12-91(c) that gives the Town the option to provide an additional exemption for farm buildings, the Town hereby provides that the Assessor shall grant a reduction on the property tax assessment for any building used actually and exclusively in farming, as defined in Section 1-1, or for any building used to provide housing for seasonal employees of such farmer in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) in the assessed value of each eligible building. The exemption shall not apply to any residence except for a building used exclusively as a residence for seasonal employees. On or before the first day of November on which the Assessor's Office is open, the owner shall make written application on forms prescribed by the Commissioner of Agriculture or as adopted by the Assessor identifying each building for which this exemption or reduction in assessment is claimed listing the then current assessed value of the building and the claimed exemption. The application shall include a notarized affidavit certifying that the owner, derived at least fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) in gross sales or incurred at least fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) in expenses related to such farming operation, with respect to the most recently completed taxable year of such farmer prior to the commencement of the assessment year (October 1) for which such application is made. In the event the farm is owned by one person or entity and leased to another who actually farms, then the lessee shall also file the financial affidavit and it is the lessee's income or expenses that must meet the minimum amount. Any rental expense shall be a lessee expense except rent paid to an immediate family member or entity owned by an immediate family member. The owner shall file an affidavit attesting to the identity of the lessee. Failure to file the application on or before the first day of November on which the Assessor's office is open shall be considered a waiver of the right to such exemption for the assessment year. Any person aggrieved by any action of the Assessor shall have the same rights and remedies for appeal and relief as are provided in the General Statutes for taxpayers claiming to be aggrieved by the doings of the Assessor.

APPROVAL RECORD FOR ORDINANCES: Board of Selectmen Approved for Public Hearing: October 15, 2012 Public Hearing Notice Published On: October 25, 2012 November 5, 2012 November 5, 2012 Town Meeting Notice Published On: November 5, 2012 November 29, 2012 Approved by Town Meeting On: Town Clerk Published Legal Notice upon Passage On: Effective Date of Ordinance: