

TOWN ADDS CREDIT CARD OPTIONS FOR ON LINE PAYMENTS

As of January 1, 2008, homeowners and residents can pay property taxes, motor vehicle excise taxes and personal property taxes on line via a checking account or a credit card. The checking account option has been available to taxpayers since mid 2004. According to Treasurer/Collector, Kevin Sorgi, the addition of the credit card feature will require the payment of a convenience fee assessed by the credit card company to the credit card holder. This fee will correlate to the amount paid. For example, the payment of a \$100 excise tax bill will cost the cardholder \$106.00. The payment of a \$700.00 excise tax bill will cost \$725.00. The payment of a \$1,500 property tax bill will cost \$1535. The complete schedule will be posted on the Treasurer/Tax Collection link, under Town Government at the official website of the Town of Milton (www.townofmilton.org).

Credit card use is limited to MasterCard and/or Discover, no other cards will be accepted. The use of the checking account payment option will still be available for no charge. Since this programs inception in July 2004, 620 ACH transactions have been successfully processed. Presently there are approximately 175 communities utilizing this payment feature which is owned and operated by UniBank, who through years of financial experience has developed this product which uses state of the industry encryption to ensure the protection of all transactions so that access to account information will never be compromised.

The payment procedure for those who wish to employ this method is as follows: 1: go to www.townofmilton.org and click on the Town of Milton (official website); 2: then click "Online Tax Payment" and follow directions from that point. You must know your bill number and the Fiscal tax year of the bill.