

## State confirms tax rate at \$23.82

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The tax rate for Newport this year is \$23.82 per \$1,000 of assessed property value, down from \$23.95 last year, state officials confirmed Monday.

**Newport** The town portion of the tax rate decreased by one cent per \$1,000 of assessed property value, from \$8.72 in 2008 to \$8.71 this year. The local school portion decreased by 25 cents, from \$10.52 to \$10.27 per \$1,000 of assessed value,

Newport Finance Director Paul Brown told the Newport Board of Selectmen last night.

The state school portion of the tax rate increased by 9 cents from last year, going from \$2.14 to \$2.23 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The Sullivan County portion increased by 4 cents, from \$2.57 last year to \$2.61 this year.

The New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration confirmed the final rate Monday. Brown said tax bills would be mailed to Newport property owners by Nov. 1, with payment due by Dec. 1.