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Taxes up across the board in county

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When tax bills begin arriving in early November, county residents should be prepared to see a spike in their county tax rate because

Newport the amount to be raised by taxes has increased to \$12.96 million, up almost 25 percent from this year's \$10.4 million.

The actual tax rates for each town have yet to be released, but the amount that each town will have to raise of the \$12.96 million was furnished by the Department of Revenue Administration's report given to the Sullivan County Commissioners on Oct. 1.

During the last fiscal year, Claremont was apportioned \$1.8 million, or roughly 18 percent of the total amount for Sullivan county. In the next fiscal year, Claremont's portion will increase to \$2.2 million, an increase of about \$400,000.

Once again, Sunapee will be hard hit by county taxes. Last year, Sunapee raised about \$2.5 million or about 24 percent of the total for the county. This year the rate will remain at about 24 percent, but the amount to be raised will increase by \$700,000 to \$3.2 million.

Cornish will need to raise \$504,000 from the last fiscal year's \$437,000, an increase of about

\$168,000. Cornish accounts for about 4 percent of the county taxes.

Grantham's portion will increase from \$1.2 to \$1.4 million, an increase of about \$200,000 in the upcoming fiscal year. Grantham accounts for about 12 percent of the county.

Newport's will go from roughly \$1 to \$1.3 million, an increase of about \$300,000. Newport accounts for about 10 percent of the county taxes.

Plainfield will raise taxes from last year's \$594,000 to \$703,000, an increase of about \$209,000. Plainfield accounts for about 5 percent of the amount to be raised by

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taxes.

Unity will increase from \$295,000 in the last fiscal year to \$360,000, an increase of \$65,000. Unity accounts for 3 percent of the total county apportionment.

Charlestown will increase to \$786,000 from the last fiscal year's \$614,000, an increase of \$172,000. Charlestown accounts for about 6 percent of the total amount to be raised by taxes.

Acworth will see an increase of \$73,450; Croydon \$60,209; Goshen \$64,104; Langdon \$29,700; Lempster \$53,892; Springfield \$120,738; and Washington \$125,075.

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