

UP FRONT



Newsletter from John A. Cunningham, Kane County Clerk

KANE COUNTY TAX EXTENSION CERTIFIED TO TREASURER

The Kane County Clerk, John A Cunningham certified the Kane County Tax Extension to the Kane County Treasurer on April 12, 2016. The total money extended for 2015 was \$1,269,181,903.86 for all taxing districts in Kane County. The total equalized assessed value of the property in the county or EAV was \$12,032,362,361. There are a total of 192,992 parcels in the County.

After 6 years of declining property values, Kane County’s Equalized Assessed Value or EAV has gone up! The good news from that is the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law or

PTELL, capped the levy amounts on the funds applicable to the law to a 0.8% increase year over year. Which means that most tax rates decreased for this tax year. The bad news only happens if your particular parcel’s value increased more than the decrease in rates. Look at your tax bill and compare the net taxable value to last year’s to see if that was the case for your parcel.

The example below shows two years for the county’s portion of the tax bill. Since the levy was held constant by the county board again this year, the tax rate decreased.

For the Taxing District of KANE COUNTY Itself:

| Year | Rate Setting EAV | TIF Increment | New Property | Tax Rate | Total Extension |
|------|------------------|---------------|--------------|----------|-----------------|
| 2014 | 11,506,333,769 | 129,314,642 | 101,022,553 | 0.468360 | \$53,891,064.84 |
| 2015 | 12,032,362,361 | 145,464,360 | 129,346,442 | 0.447884 | \$53,891,025.85 |

“UP FRONT”, a bi-monthly newsletter will be posted on the Kane County Clerk’s website. If you prefer to receive newsletter via e mail, please contact Susan at: ericsonsusan@co.kane.il.us

I NEED MY BIRTH CERTIFICATE!

The Kane County Clerk's Office Department of Vital Records holds birth records for citizens born in Kane County. If you were born in a different county, then you will need to go to that county to obtain your birth record. As cited in the Illinois Compiled Statutes, 410 ILCS 535/25 Vital Records Act: "A certified copy of a certificate shall be issued: upon order of a court of competent jurisdiction; or in case of a birth certificate, upon the specific written request for a certified copy by the person, if of legal age, or by a parent or other legal representative of the person to whom the record of birth relates." See below for identification requirements:

**ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF IDENTIFICATION
ANY ONE OF THESE IS ACCEPTABLE
BY MAIL (COPIES ONLY) OR
IN PERSON (ORIGINAL) AND MUST BE VALID AND NOT EXPIRED;
STATE DRIVER'S LICENSE, STATE ID, US/FOREIGN PASSPORT, or
MATICULA CONSULAR CARD**

OR

IF YOUR ID IS EXPIRED OR YOU HAVE LOST YOUR ID, YOU WILL NEED 2 PIECES OF DOCUMENTATION. FIRST PIECE OF DOCUMENTION CAN BE A BILL (IE. ELECTRICITY, CELL PHONE, WATER) OR OTHER MAIL SHOWING YOUR NAME AND CURRENT ADDRESS. THE SECOND PIECE OF DOCUMENTATION MUST BE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

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| <p>MEDICAL/CAR INSURANCE CARD</p> <p>CREDIT CARD STATEMENT</p> <p>PAYCHECK STUB WITH IMPRINTED INFORMATION</p> <p>VOTER'S REGISTRATION CARD</p> <p>ACTIVE MILITARY ID (W/ISSUE AND EXPIRATION DATES)</p> | <p>BANK STATEMENT</p> <p>PUBLIC ASSISTANCE CARD</p> <p>EBT LINK CARD</p> <p>CAR REGISTRATION PAPERWORK</p> |
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- SOCIAL SECURITY CARDS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE**

2015 TAX BILLS TO BE MAILED THE LATER PART OF APRIL

CHECK FOR DELINQUENT TAXES

When you receive your Kane County tax bill, take a look at the lower part of the bill to see if your bill shows anything in the boxes highlighted in the sample below. If either of these boxes has anything in it, contact the Kane County Clerk's office redemption department at: 630-232-5964 for information regarding any delinquent taxes.

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|--|---|-------------------|
| Township BA | Tax Code BA090 | Acres | | = NET TAXABLE VAL. | 26,452 |
| Tax Rate 9.605213 | Sold at Tax Sale 12 11 10 | Forfeited Tax | | x TAX RATE | 9.605213 |
| First Installment Tax 1,270.39 | Second Installment Tax 1,270.39 | | | = CURRENT TAX | \$2,540.78 |
| Abatement | Abatement | | | + DRAINAGE | \$0.00 |
| Penalty | Penalty | | | + BACK TAX / FORF AMOUNT SOLD | \$0.00 |
| Other Fees | Other Fees | | | - ENTERPRISE ZONE | \$0.00 |
| Total Due Due by 06/02/2014 | Total Due Due by 09/02/2014 | | | = TOTAL TAX DUE | \$2,540.78 |

TAKE NOTICE OF THE
HIGHLIGHTED BOXES

Passport News

The U.S. Dept. of Homeland Security did extend the deadline for the State of Illinois to comply with the Real ID guidelines for driver's licenses through 2017. So a passport is not required for domestic flights at this time, but adult passports do last 10 years. Child Passports (for those applicants under age 16) last 5 years. Our office has seen an increase in passport applications over the past few months.

If you are planning any summer travel outside of the country, you are urged to apply sooner than later to avoid lines and delays in processing times. Our office is available to process passports from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. We are open 8:30 a.m. to 7:00p.m. on Wednesdays.

The following items are required for a passport to be processed at the Kane County Clerk's office:

- Certified Birth Certificate (with parent's names) from the county or state.
- Checks or Money Orders for the Passport Fee and the separate application fee.
- Passport sized photos
- Valid Gov't issued photo ID (Drivers License or State ID, non IL DL/ID requires an add'l identifier)

See our website for more details: www.co.kane.il.us/coc/Records/Passports

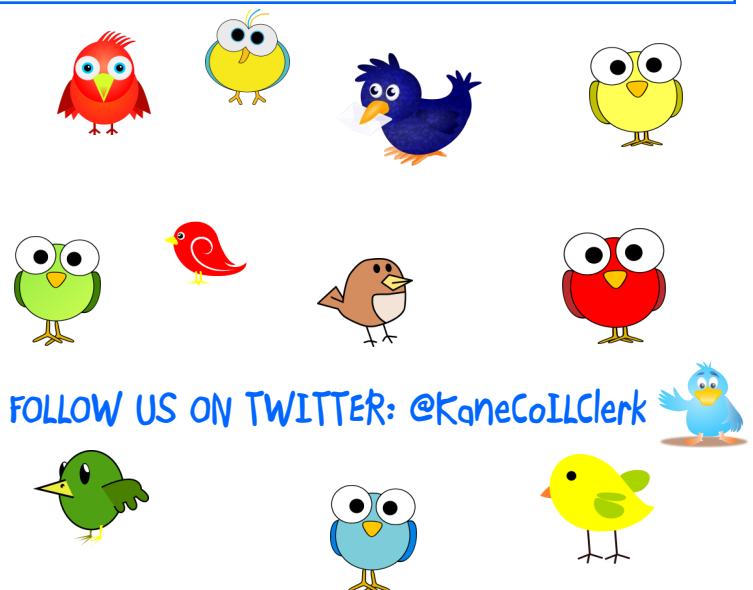
ECONOMIC INTEREST STATEMENTS 2016

The filing period for the 2016 Statement of Economic Interests has begun. If an e-mail address has been provided by the unit of government for the filer, then the filer is able to file through our online system. If not, then the filer has been sent a paper statement, along with a pre-addressed envelope to return to our office.

All statements MUST be received and filed in the County Clerk's Office by May 2nd, 2016.

Statements received after that date will be subject to a \$15.00 late fee. If you have any questions, please contact Ayesha Tague at 630-232-5950.

"Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever"
Gandhi



FYI

Aurora Social Security Administration
(877) 274-5412
1325 N. Lake St., Aurora IL 60506
Elgin Social Security Administration
(877) 405-0435
790 Fletcher Dr., Elgin IL 60123



ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT

2016 GENERAL PRIMARY

The 2016 General Primary had a 41.3% voter turnout. Of the 230,189 total registered voters, 95,153 people voted. For the first time Grace Period Registration and Voting was implemented and utilized by Kane County Voters at all Early and Election Day Polling Places.

Precinct Committeemen were elected and appointments made. Training arrangements to become Deputy Registrars are well underway. We appreciate the expressed interest displayed by our new precinct committeemen and their efforts to promote voter registrations in Kane County.

BE PREPARED! REGISTER TO VOTE

Voter registration opened March 17, 2016. A person can register to vote by mail or in person. You must provide 2 acceptable forms of ID when registering. Registering by mail requires the completion of the mail in registration form provided on the Kane County Clerk's web page and two acceptable forms of ID. You can also register online by visiting the Illinois State Board of Elections at <https://ova.elections.il.gov/>

Information on Acceptable forms of ID's (Public Act 83-0258) can be found on our website, www.kanecountyelections.org.

To be eligible to vote you must be a US citizen, be **18 years old** by the next General Election, November 8, 2016 and have resided in the precinct for **30 days** prior to the next election.

Voters who have changed their name since registering to vote must re-register to vote. **Grace Period** registration is for persons who missed the deadline to register to vote. During Grace Period registration you may register to vote at the Kane County Clerk's office from the 27th day through election day. If you register to vote during grace period and want to vote in the upcoming election, you **MUST** vote at the time of registration.

Please visit the election's website for more information,
www.kanecountyelections.org

WE ARE LOOKING FOR ELECTION JUDGES

If you are interested in serving as an election judge and would like more information, please call **630-232-5990** or **630-232-5994**.

You may also visit our website: www.kanecountyelections.org to review eligibility requirements, responsibilities and to send an application.