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COUNTY PROPERTY TAX EXTENSIONS COMPLETED

Completed Faster than All but One of the Last Five Years

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Carlinville - The tax extensions for Macoupin County's 128 taxing districts have been completed according to County Clerk Pete Duncan.

Each year, the County Clerk is responsible for extending the tax rates for all of the taxing bodies in the county after the Supervisor of Assessment's Office completes their assessment work. This year, Macoupin County's extensions were completed earlier than any year in the past five except for one. Duncan said, "I know how important it is to get taxes done right away, but I also want to make sure they are done right. We still got the extensions calculated much quicker than nearly every year in the past five while taking new steps to ensure accuracy."

Duncan proactively reached out to the local taxing bodies during this year's extending process. "I thought it was vital to work with the local communities and districts to fix any problems they felt were there in the past. We've corrected issues concerning bonds and their abatements, PTELL rate fixes, enterprise zone abatements, and annexations to name a few. But the steps we've taken have helped to establish a new foundation for property tax extensions and I appreciate the support I've received from the local districts."

County Board Chairman Andy Manar was pleased with the cooperation between the various County Department Heads. "By working together, we were able to get the property tax statements mailed in a timely manner," Manar said. "Working with County Board Chairman Andy Manar, Supervisor of Assessment John Bresnan, and Treasurer Anne Boehm, we've ironed out numerous issues with the extension process as well as put in place reforms to make the process even faster next year," Duncan said.

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