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Subject:	Ledyard Property Tax increased way more than the inflation rate - Why this burden on the community

Hello Naomi/ Greg/ Brian/ Kevin/ Chris,

I am Kala venkateswaran, the owner of 14 Capt Amos Stanton Drive, Ledyard CT. I am sending this note to you because I noticed that the property tax for this year has been increased by 5.48% in my case. The inflation rate last year was 2.9% . I would like to understand why there is a 5.48% increase in property taxes and how the State and Ledyard representatives are able to justify such a huge raise. With such high cost for groceries and daily essentials and wages being stagnant/ reduced for the past 5 years and high unemployment, how does your department not take that into consideration ? I really need to understand this as I am unemployed and every dollar counts for me.

When I sent a note to the Ledyard tax assessor, Adrianna Hedwall; she directed me to you all. In her note she has stated that "the determination of the mill rate is at the discretion of the finance department, with oversight from the Mayor and final approval by the Town Council. I can assure you that the current budget was thoughtfully prepared, considering the decrease in state funding, increased state mandated exemptions, and inflation. "

I would sincerely appreciate it if you can acknowledge the receipt of this e-mail and give me guidance on how to get it reduced. This increase is NOT justifiable because it is definitely WAY MORE than the inflation rate. It shows a total lack of empathy for the community at large. I have NOT had any increase in my salary in the last 5 years.
Yours sincerely,
Kala.