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Lincoln Launches New On-Line Tax & GIS Mapping Program

In a continuing effort to improve the flow of information to residents and taxpayers, Lincoln's Conservation Department, IT and Assessors Department have joined forces to create and implement a new and greatly improved version of the Town On-Line GIS Mapping Program. Developed in partnership with Cartographic Associates, Inc. (CAI) of Littleton, NH the program offers expanded functionality, a single point of access to assessing data and property information and advanced mapping, zoning, and aerial imagery.

The new program, *Query Manager Online*, utilizes ESRI ArcGIS Server and the cutting edge Microsoft Silver Light technology for a more interactive, user-friendly experience. In addition to property maps and assessing data, users can now access the Town's growing Geographic Information System (GIS), review zoning and parcel locations, create abutters lists, link to the Middlesex South Registry of Deeds and more.

The new On-Line Mapping Program provides more up-to-date information with increased opportunities for future expansion. This is important because the flexible application will be able to grow to support the Town's increased use of GIS for planning and management purposes. An added bonus is the expanded features with a cost savings of \$1,200 per year.

Tim Higgins, Lincoln Town Administrator expressed his support for the new system. "This upgraded site offers Town employees, residents and visitors better and more concise access to information at both the town-wide and parcel-specific scale, while reducing the current cost of this service through a cooperative contract with CAI. Getting better quality service at a reduced annual cost is a win-win for the Town and its residents."

Tim Fountain, Vice President of CAI, who designed and integrated the system for the Town, said "The new on-line software by CAI is developed on ESRI ArcServer technology which allows for a tight integration with ESRI ArcGIS Desktop and results in client driven map symbology. The service supports both public and staff site options. This way the Town can share and distribute GIS internally to specific staff users without additional desktop software license costs."

The new On-Line GIS Mapping Program is accessible from the Town website located at www.lincolntown.org by clicking on the button on the home page titled GIS.

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