

on the bonds or certificates of indebtedness so issued by the Mayor and Town Council for the construction of drainage systems, there shall be levied by the Mayor and Town Council a special assessment to be known as a drainage system assessment against all of the properties within said drainage area served by said system, whether immediately or remotely, which the Mayor and Town Council determine to be specially benefited by said system, based on the area or on the assessed value of all of the property belonging to any owner within said drainage area and so benefited, which tax or assessment shall be uniform throughout the area affected. The special assessment aforesaid shall be on either an area basis or on an assessed value basis, whichever is deemed more equitable and just by the Mayor and Town Council of Cheverly, and such selection as made by the Mayor and Town Council shall be final and conclusive. Such tax or assessment shall be levied annually in a sufficient amount to meet the principal and interest requirements of the bonds outstanding, the proceeds of which went into the construction of the drainage system and such tax or assessment may be graduated from year to year as the bonds are retired, provided however, before any such tax or assessment is levied the Mayor and Town Council of Cheverly shall mail to the best obtainable addresses of the owners of all properties within said drainage district or part thereof upon which it is proposed to levy a tax or assessment, notice that said tax or assessment is to be levied and giving said property owners an opportunity to be heard thereon at a time and place fixed in said notice, and at said hearing the Mayor and Town Council may adjust said tax or assessment, maintaining however, a rule of uniformity as to the base rate or percentage of levy. Such levy or assessment when made shall constitute a tax lien upon all of the properties within said drainage area, as determined by the Mayor and Town Council of Cheverly, and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed six per centum (6%) per annum from and after thirty (30) days from the date of each annual levy or assessment, and any assessment or part thereof, including interest and penalties remaining due and unpaid, shall be enforced and collected by the Mayor and Town Council in the same manner as town taxes are now enforced and collected, as now or hereafter prescribed and required by law.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted,* That no drainage plan, system or design shall be adopted, or any drainage system constructed, except for the protection of an individual's home, by any person, firm or corporation unless such plan or design