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How is the quote from Mayor Bob "looking out for people in business" - although zero mention of looking out for EVERYONE in Dover - be okay to raise our taxes yet again?

YOU CANNOT POSSIBLY OVERRIDE THE TAX CAP. How inhumane to do something like that in such a crisis. There will be so many jobless claims added and people out of work possibly for good that will have an enormous amount of debt. The good, hardworking people of Dover most likely losing their jobs and their companies. This is what you call responsible government? Taxing us to death?

We cannot be there in attendance. How can you possibly do this budget without the will and majority of the people who do not want their taxes risen again?

What are you doing to come in on budget? NOTHING. How could you? I can only hope this is the same game played and that the number will keep coming down. No number is acceptable except one that the tax cap law allows. How many years can you keep ignoring the law? What makes you think the school body is above the law and can demand anything they want? It's time for the Council to just say no.

Mayor Bob told me he is doing everything possible for this city and that I have no idea how much he is doing behind the scenes. Prove it to me and everyone else that you stand by your citizens with the crises they will face in trying to catch up with their bills, get their jobs back, get their businesses up and running again (which may never happen) by not allowing another override.

The SB MUST come in on their allotted budget. There is no room for allowances. Do they have a tax cap budget yet to present? I have not received an answer.

Linda