

## **EXCLUSIVE: Lieutenant Governor Mandela Barnes Was Late On Milwaukee Property Taxes Until Last Week**

Milwaukee city property records indicate new Lieutenant Governor Mandela Barnes did not pay the 2017 property taxes on his northwest side condo until last week. He was one year late. The first partial payment on Barnes' property at 7052 N. Lincolnshire was due January 31 of 2018. Barnes didn't make that payment nor did he make any other payments in all of 2018. He paid the city slightly over \$2,500 on January 4 of this year (last week) which includes over \$383 in interest for all of the late payments. The property still shows a small balance of \$65 for 2017.

2018 property taxes are due by January 31 of this year. According to city records, Barnes will owe \$2,070 for his 2018 taxes. The first installment minimum payment is \$227 and is due January 31.

Barnes was a member of the state assembly prior to being elected Lieutenant Governor in November. His legislative salary was \$50,000 plus daily per diem payments and mileage allowances for days lawmakers are in Madison. He will make a little over \$76,000 as Lieutenant Governor.

I have learned Barnes has been in dispute with his condominium association over payment of association dues as well. Barnes lives in the Lincolnshire complex which is just south of Good Hope Road. Barnes' aides have not responded to my requests for comment. Barnes' deadbeat tax status was not brought up during the 2018 election campaign, perhaps because nobody on the opposition side was aware of it.

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