

• **First payment is due on **Wednesday, Sept. 6, 2023** by the close of business 4:30 p.m. or with a USPS postmark on or before the same date.**

- 1) Interest charge will be applied to taxes due after that time
- 2) The interest charge is 1% per month for the first three months and 1.5% per month thereafter.

• **Second payment is due on **Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2023** by close of business 4:30 p.m. or with a USPS postmark on or before the same date.**

- 1) Interest charge will be applied to taxes due after that time. Interest charge is 1% per month for the first three months and 1.5% per month thereafter.
- 2) Payments received after December 6 will be considered delinquent and are subject to an additional 8% penalty.
- 3) However, delinquent taxes received no later than **Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2023** by the close of business (4:30 pm) will have the penalty waived. Interest will not be waived.

• **Please Note:** Payments mailed Dec. 7, 2023 or later must arrive in the town office no later than Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2023 to avoid the 8% penalty.

• If you know your payment is being made during the grace period, please add the additional 1% interest to your payment, or delinquent penalties may apply to the unpaid portion.

• Payments are applied first to any interest due. If a penalty is also due, the remaining payment is split so that the penalty paid is 8% of the tax amount applied to delinquent taxes.

• Those delinquent as of December 31, 2023 will be listed in the Town Report without any corresponding year of delinquency.

The Town Office will be open normal business hours are M-Th, 7:30 am-4:30 pm.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call the Town Office at 765-4411 for clarification

CHECK ACCEPTANCE POLICY

(07/27/11)

The following items are to clarify the Town Clerks check acceptance policy:

- There is a \$20.00 fee for each returned check.
- Post-dated checks will not be accepted. If a post-dated check is received by mail, it will be deposited on the day it is received.
- Checks will not be placed on hold. Checks will be deposited on the day they are received.
- A check received that is incorrectly filled out - where the dollar amount does not match the written amount – is the responsibility of the check holder. The line where the amount is written out governs. Therefore, the bank considers the amount written out to be the actual check amount even if it does not match the amount written in the dollars box. If the written amount is insufficient to cover tax payment, then late fees and penalties incurred due to an incorrectly written check are the responsibility of the check holder.

FORMS OF PAYMENT

- Cash (bring exact amount) or Check to the Town Office
- Mail a check payable to the Town of Strafford, P.O. Box 27, Strafford, VT 05072
- Put a check in a sealed envelope in our Drop Box outside the office
- Fill out an "Authorization Agreement" form for an ACH payment from your bank
- Use our WEB site <https://www.straffordvt.org/town-clerk> to pay by credit card (2.45% fee) or e-check for \$1.50