Thursday, May 28, 2020

Deadline to pay property taxes without accruing late fees extended to June 25, 2020

**Johnson County, Iowa** – Governor Kim Reynolds has again extended the period to pay property taxes. The second installment of property and mobile home taxes were due Sunday, March 1, 2020. The new deadline to pay property taxes without accruing late fees is now Thursday, June 25, 2020.

To avoid a late fee penalty, payments need to be delivered to the Treasurer’s Office through a mail slot on the door of the Johnson County Administration Building, paid online or postmarked by Thursday, June 25, 2020, to avoid a 1 ½ percent monthly penalty that will begin on Friday, June 26, 2020.

County Treasurers collect property taxes on behalf of all jurisdictions in the county and then distribute the taxes collected to the other jurisdictions, including the property owner’s city of residence, school district and other taxing bodies in the county.

**Pay online**

Property owners can pay property taxes conveniently online at [www.iowataxandtags.org](http://www.iowataxandtags.org). Payment options include VISA, MasterCard, Discover or American Express credit cards; debit cards or eCheck. If paying by eCheck, the online fee is only 30 cents. Credit card payments have a non-refundable service delivery fee added to the tax amount due for the service of paying taxes online with a credit card. The exact amount due for property taxes and service delivery fee is calculated in Step 3 of this online service. Residents will have the opportunity to exit out of the payment process without completing the transaction if they choose to do so and pay by an alternate method. The County Treasurer’s Office receives only the property tax portion of the total amount due for online payments.

**Pay by mail**

Property taxes can be paid by mail. To ensure proper credit, the stub portion of the tax statement must be submitted with the payment. If paying by mail, return payment to the Johnson County Treasurer, PO Box 2420, Iowa City, IA 52244-2420. Payments postmarked by Thursday, June 25, 2020, will be considered paid on time and no interest will be charged. **The U.S. Postal Service postmark is the only date recognized for date of mailing.** The date written on a check or a business metered date cannot be accepted as proof of the mailing date.
Residents who would like a receipt must include a self-addressed stamped envelope with their payment.

**Pay in person**
Property taxes can be dropped off through a mail slot at the east entrance of the Johnson County Administration Building, 913 S. Dubuque Street in Iowa City, Monday through Friday. Please make sure the payment is in an envelope before dropping it off.

For questions, call the Johnson County Treasurer’s Office at 319-356-6087.

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