

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**When should I receive my bill? What if I have an escrow account?** Property tax bills are mailed twice a year: July 1 and December 1. If you have a mortgage escrow account and the mortgage company has requested the bill, it will be sent to them.

**I lost my tax bill; how much do I owe?** This information is available in person at the treasurer's office, by phone (810)794-9303 option 5, or online at <http://www.claytwpmi.gov>.

**When are my taxes due?** **Summer Property Taxes** are payable beginning July 1 through September 15, 2025, without interest.

**\*1% interest will be assessed beginning September 16 and on the first of each month following on unpaid balances.**

**Interest Schedule : September 16-30, +1%: October 1-31, +1%: November 1-30, +1%: December 1-31, +1%: January 1-31, +1%: February 1-March 2, +1%.**

**Winter Property Taxes** are payable beginning December 1 through Tuesday, February 17, 2026, without penalty. **\*Partial payments are accepted for taxes**, however any balance owing after the due date is subject to interest/penalty. **\*\*2025 property taxes paid February 18, 2026, through March 2, 2026, include 3% penalty.**

**\*All tax payments after March 2, 2026, must be paid to St. Clair County Treasurer, 200 Grand River, Suite 101, Port Huron, MI 48060 – (810) 989-6915.**

**Where can I get a copy of my paid receipt?** If mailing your payment or placing it in the drop box, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope or use your cancelled check. We can also provide you with receipt for your paid tax bill at the counter.

### UNDERSTANDING YOUR TAX BILL ABBREVIATIONS

**County Op (St Clair County Operating)**-represents the St. Clair County operating millage. This millage is distributed directly to St. Clair County.

**State Ed (State Education Tax)**-State education tax is levied statewide at a six-mill rate on all real and tangible personal property not otherwise exempt from the property tax. This millage is distributed to the County Treasurer who then distributes to the State of Michigan.

**RESA Spec Ed, RESA Inter Ed, RESA Voc. Ed (St Clair County Regional Educational Service Agency)**-millages paid by taxpayers within the County and fund the operations of St. Clair County Regional Educational Service Agency. This millage is distributed directly to St. Clair County.

**Sch OP (School Operating)**- **a qualifying principal residence is not subject to the levy of school operating millage.** This line item will be \$zero\$ if your home is your primary residence and a principle residence exemption affidavit has been filed with the Township. This millage is distributed directly to the levying school district.

**Sch Debt (School Debt)**- special elections are held to enable schools to levy millages for expenses such as school construction or renovation. Please contact your school district for more detailed information. This millage is distributed directly to the school district.

**Sch Sink (School Sinking)**-special millage to create a fund for the construction/repair of school buildings, school security improvements, acquisition/upgrade of technology & other purposes authorized by law. This millage is distributed directly to the school district.

**PAYMENT OPTIONS**-Credit/Debit Card Payments are processed via third party, Invoice Cloud. The processing fee for tax payments is 2.95%, minimum \$1.95.

**Electronic check payments** are also accepted; the processing fee is a flat \$0.95. Pay online at <http://www.claytwpmi.gov>. **Visa/Mastercard/Discover/AMEX** payments are also accepted at the Township office, fees apply. **Phone payment system available 1-855-329-4997**, fees apply. **Checks/Money Orders** are accepted via mail, 24-hour drop box or in person. **\*\*Postdated checks are NOT accepted\*\***. **Cash payments** can be made in person, at the counter during business hours: **Monday-Thursday 7:30am-5:30pm \*\*\*office is closed 12pm-1pm. \*QUESTIONS? – Call (810) 794-9303 option # 5.**

**\*Returned online and check payments** will be assessed a \$15.00 fee. **\*If a payment is returned after tax due date, amount owing is subject to interest and/or penalties.**

**\*Future payments will be applied to outstanding returned payment charges prior to crediting your tax bill.**

**Mail: Clay Township PO BOX 429 Algonac, MI 48001** **\*\*If mailing payment, please allow minimum 14 business days, Postmarks are NOT accepted.**

**24-Hour Drop Box, located at the township office parking lot entrance for your convenience (NO CASH IN DROP BOX PLEASE).**

### Clay Township Office Hours:

**Monday-Thursday 7:30am - 5:30pm \*\*(closed daily 12pm - 1pm)**  
**810-794-9303 option #5      24 Hour Drop Box Available**

**2025 SUMMER TAX DUE DATE IS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025**

### **Township offices will be CLOSED on the following days:**

**Thursday, July 3, 2025, and**

**Monday, September 1, 2025**

