TAX NOTICE – 2025
VILLAGE OF STRATFORD TAXPAYERS

1. Full Payment method: Real Estate Taxes may be paid in full to the Village Treasurer on or before January 31, 2026. January 31, 2026 **postmark** date will be accepted as paid on time.

To obtain a **RECEIPT BY MAIL**, please enclose a **stamped**, self-addressed envelope.

2. Installment plan: The first installment of Real Estate Taxes is to be paid by January 31, 2026, as shown on your tax bill. January 31, 2026, **postmark** date will be accepted as paid on time. The second installment is to be paid to Marathon County Treasurer on or before July 31, 2026, without penalty. Interest charges are 1½% per month on the unpaid balance, beginning Feb. 1, 2026. **Postmark** date will be accepted as paid on time.

3. All Special Assessments and Charges are to be paid in full by January 31, 2026, to avoid interest and penalty of 1½% per month.

4. Make checks payable to the "**Village of Stratford**". Please return the appropriate bottom tear off section with your payment.

5. Payment options:
- Mailed to the Village Office (PO Box 12 Stratford, WI 54484).
- In Person at the Village Office – **cash, check or credit card.**
- Partner's Bank-Marshfield, Spencer, or Stratford offices.
- Online at https://www.info.paymentservicenetwork.com/
    - Have your tax bill available. The name entered on the payment screen needs to match the tax bill.
        - Either register to pay or login.
            - On the "Search for the Business You Want to Pay" screen
                - Business City: Stratford
                - Business State: WI
            - Select either register or make a payment on the second option Village of Stratford, WI (Tax).
            - Fill in payment information.
- ****all card and online transactions will have a convenience fee****

6. Escrow checks from financial institutions, greater than your tax bill in full, can be paid at the Village Office for an instant check refund of over payment. **Cash will not be refunded from an escrow check!!**

7. Delinquent Taxes: Delinquent Real Estate Taxes plus interest and penalties are paid to Marathon County Treasurer.

PAYMENT PRIORITY LIST

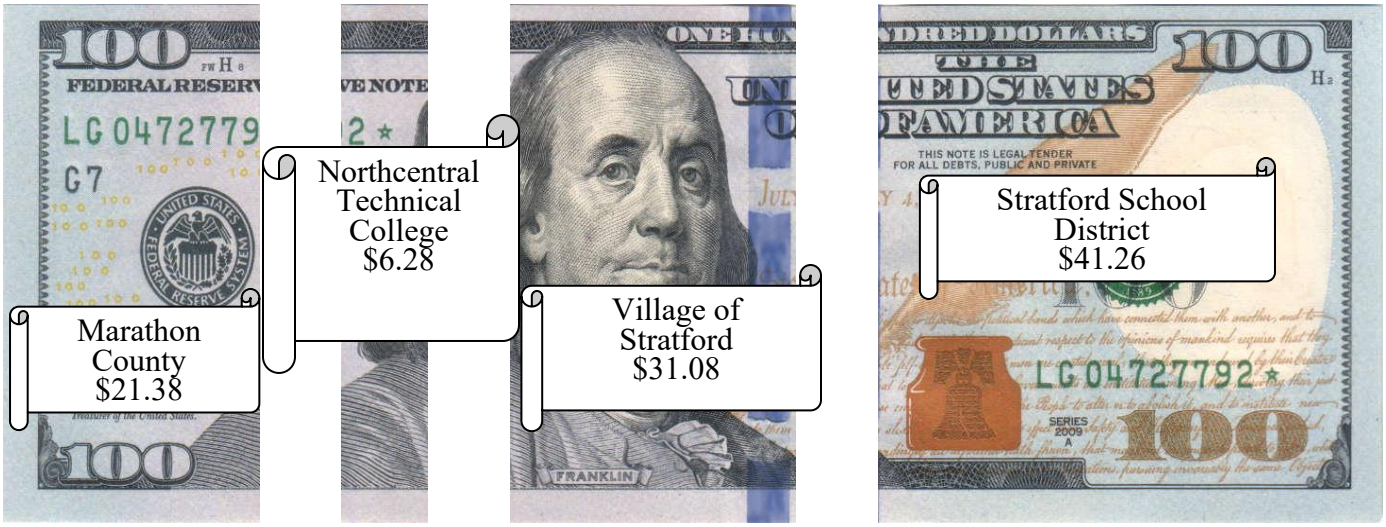
Collection of payments will be applied in this order: Delinquent Utility, Special Charges, Special Assessments, Special Taxes, and General Real Property Taxes.

BUILDING PERMITS

All remodeling, construction, alterations, including driveway surfaces, central air conditioning, fences, swimming pools, etc., over **$1,000.00** may require a building permit. Contact Public Works at 715-687-4118.

Village Treasurer-Stephanie Betlinski 715-687-4166
Village Clerk-Jamie Heindl 715-687-4166
Stratford Post Office local phone number 715-687-4140
Marathon County Court House, Wausau 1-800-236-0153

For every $100 of your total tax bill…



Reminders: The Village office will be closed on 12/24 – 12/26/2025 and 01/01/2026.

Snow season is upon us. Please do not push snow into the road. On garbage days, please keep your carts behind the curb so they do not obstruct the snowplow drivers.

NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS & KEEPERS OF DOGS – PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM. Return either in person or with payments by mail. State law requires that all dogs must be licensed **yearly.** Before a license can be issued, **you must furnish a rabies vaccination certificate** to show proof of vaccination against rabies. Wis. State Statutes §174.07. Fines of $50 to $100 may be imposed for failure to have your dog(s) vaccinated.

ANNUAL DOG LICENSE DUE BY MARCH 31ST, after this date a $30 late charge will be assessed per dog. A list of delinquent dog owners/keepers will be given to the Stratford Police Dept. You will receive a Village Ordinance Citation for "failure to license your dog(s)" – a minimum fine of **$124.00** per dog.

DOG OWNER/KEEPER: _____

ADDRESS: _____PHONE: _____

NAME OF DOG: _____MALE/FEMALE: _____COLOR: _____BREED: _____

NEUTERED/SPAYED: □ YES $17.00 □ NO $30.00

VETERINARIAN: _____

IF DOG WAS BORN AFTER FEBRUARY 1ST THE COST IS ½ OF THE ABOVE AMOUNTS.

DATE OF RABIES VACCINATION: _____

□ Multiple Dog (Kennel) - **$180**, extra tags **$5**

EXPIRATION DATE: _____

NO DOG LICENSE WILL BE ISSUED WITHOUT THE RABIES VACCINATION CERTIFICATE ON FILE.