

May 26, 2020

### **For Immediate Release**

The Montgomery County Treasurer's Office will mail the 2019 Real Estate Tax bills on, or before, Friday, May 29, 2020. The due dates will be July 2, 2020, for the first installment and September 04, 2020, for the second installment. Late payment penalty of the 1<sup>st</sup> installment will be waived for those who need assistance with payment of taxes do to the COVID 19 pandemic. Partial payments are also accepted on the 2019 bills. PLEASE NOTE THE ENTIRE BILL NEEDS TO BE PAID ON OR BEFORE 2<sup>ND</sup> INSTALLMENT DUE DATE, SEPT. 4, 2020, OR THE 1<sup>ST</sup> INSTALLMENT PENALTY GOES RETROACTIVE TO JULY 2, 2020 (4 ½%) & SECOND INSTALLMENT PENALTY WILL BE APPLIED AS NORMAL (1 1/2 % PER 30 DAYS).

The Montgomery County Treasurer and the Montgomery County Board recognize that we are experiencing an unprecedented time and want to help the taxpayers of Montgomery County in need of assistance. In doing so we also have to ensure the taxing districts receive the funds necessary to sustain the essential services crucial to our residents. We urge those who can pay in a timely manner to please continue to do so for financial stability of our taxing districts. We also want to make it aware that escrowed tax payments are not subject to the waived penalty and must be submitted by the installment dates.

The Treasurer would like to thank Supervisor of Assessments Ray Durston, and staff; also County Clerk Sandy Leitheiser, and staff, for their diligence in getting the 2019 tax information to the Treasurer's Office for processing.

Due to the COVID 19 pandemic **RECOMMENDED** payment of the 2019 payable 2020 taxes are as follows:

1. By mail to Montgomery County Treasurer and Collector, 1 Courthouse Square, Room 101, Hillsboro, IL 62049;
2. By depositing in the gray drop box on the North side Historic Courthouse, 1 Courthouse Square, Hillsboro, IL.
3. Online payments at montgomeryco.com and follow the links to the Montgomery County Treasurer's page.
4. At most local county banks.

If in person payment is **ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY**, payment can be made at:

Montgomery County Treasurer's Office, 1 Courthouse Sq. Room 101 Hillsboro, IL 62049

For the safety of the community and the Montgomery County Treasurer's Office staff please be aware that if an in person payment is going to be made all IDPH and CDC requirements will adhered to upon entering the building.

Please feel free to call the Montgomery County Treasurers Office 217-532-9521 with any questions or concerns and we will be glad to assist. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Montgomery County Treasurer

