

Town and County 2026 Tax Notice

Reminder of payment deadlines and USPS mail

Town/County tax season is upon us. Be aware February 15th is on a weekend. You have until Tuesday, February 17th to make payments before a late fee is applied. Full and partial payments are accepted at the Amherst Town Clerk's office until June 30th.

You can easily access and pay your taxes on the Amherst Town website by going to www.amherst.ny.us. On the home page, in the Keyword box type: **tax bill**

The next page allows you to search for tax information. The first line will automatically default to the current tax season. Below that you will then put in owner name **OR** an address, excluding Court, Drive, Road, Terrace, etc. then click on "SEARCH" and the next page should be your tax bill. If you have questions call 716-631-7021.

The Town Clerk's office is open from 8:30am - 4:00pm Monday thru Friday and does not close for lunch. The convenient drop box is located at the back door and available 24/7. Payments dropped after office hours till midnight will not be considered late.

Important Notice Regarding United States Postal Service:

The United States Postal Service updated its explanation on how their postmark process works. As of December 2025, it clarifies that a postmark now revolves around when a piece of mail gets to a **regional processing hub**. Rather than when it gets to a local post office, potentially causing a 1–3 day delay before the official postmark date, impacting deadlines for taxes, bills and ballots.

To ensure tax payments are received before the due date, a Town of Amherst Resident can:

- Walk into a post office and request a manual postmark stamp at the counter
- Mail using certified/registered mail
- Use the drop box at Amherst Town Hall, located at the back entrance of the building
- Make the payment online www.amherst.ny.us
- Pay in person at the Town Clerk office

Mail regarding online bank payments:

Please be aware that online banking is discouraged, checks are mailed to the Town from a payment processing center by bulk mail, therefore there is NO postmark on the envelope. If you utilize online banking, you do so at your own risk.

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