QUARTERLY PROPERTY TAX PAYMENT PLAN
THE EASY WAY TO PAY YOUR TAXES

Stearns County is pleased to offer you a new service:
The Direct Payment Plan for Real Estate Taxes

With this new program, you can have your property tax payment made automatically from your checking or savings account on a quarterly basis. You won't have to change your present banking relationship to take advantage of this service.

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The Direct Payment plan will help you in several ways:

- Spreads your tax burden over four payments
- Saves time – fewer checks to write
- Helps meet your commitment in a convenient and timely manner – even if you're out of town or on vacation
- No lost or misplaced statements, your payment is always on time – it helps maintain good credit
- Saves on postage costs
- Easy to sign up for, easy to cancel
- No Late charges

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Here's how the Direct Payment plan works:

You authorize payments to be made from your checking or savings according to the following schedule:

March 31st ¼ of the annual tax payment
May 15th ¼ of the annual tax payment
August 15th ¼ of the annual tax payment
October 15th (non-ag parcels)
¼ of the annual tax payment
November 15th (ag-parcels)
¼ of the annual tax payment

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Then just sit back and relax. Your payments will be made automatically. Proof of payment will appear with your bank statement. A reminder will also be sent 10 days prior to Direct Payment start date.

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I will notify the Auditor-Treasurer's Office when I change banks to continue this procedure.

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The Direct Payment plan is dependable, flexible, convenient and easy. To take advantage of this service, complete the attached authorization form and return it to us by **February 15th.**

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AUTHORIZATION FOR QUARTERLY PROPERTY TAX PAYMENT PLAN
(Separate authorization for each parcel)
RETURN BY FEBRUARY 15TH

Property ID #: _____

Property Address: _____

Taxpayer Name: _____

Taxpayer Mailing Address_____

Daytime Phone #: _____

Email: _____

I hereby authorize Stearns County to debit my (our) account for payment of real estate taxes for the parcel described above. This is to remain in effect until Stearns County has received written notification to terminate this authorization or Stearns County requires termination and notifies me. My (our) account information is described below:

Financial Institution Name: _____

Type of Account (Check One) _____Checking (Enclose a voided Check)
_____Savings (Enclose a withdrawal slip)

Account #: _____

Routing/Transit #: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

ENCLOSE A VOIDED CHECK OR WITHDRAWAL SLIP WITH THIS FORM

RETAIN FOR YOUR RECORDS

On _____
(Date)

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I authorize the County of Stearns to initiate electronic entries to my checking/savings account and agree to the terms listed on this authorization form for payment of property taxes. I will notify the Auditor-Treasurer's Office when I change banks to continue this procedure.

To cancel write:
Stearns County Auditor-Treasurer
705 Courthouse Square
PO Box 728
St Cloud, MN 56302