



Mississippi Mills



2020

FINAL PROPERTY TAX BILL INFORMATION

Your property taxes help make Mississippi Mills an outstanding urban/rural community recognized for its natural and architectural beauty and the high quality of life enjoyed by its residents.

Whenever you use local fire and police services, public libraries, community centres, or travel our vast network of roads, you are experiencing your tax dollars at work.

By taking a moment to read this brochure you will learn more about how your property taxes are spent and obtain general information about your tax bill and options available for payment.

The Final Tax Bill has two installments and represents the balance of your 2020 property taxes for the year plus any applicable special charges.



First Installment is due July 30, 2020

Second Installment is due September 29, 2020

The Municipality of Mississippi Mills must levy and collect taxes on behalf of the County of Lanark and the local School Boards to be used by the County and School Boards for their own purposes.

It is very important that you remit your tax stubs with your payment and indicate your **roll number** on your cheque.

Additional or supplementary tax bills

You may receive additional or supplementary tax bills if there have been changes to your assessment: for example, if you built a new dwelling, made renovations, etc.

Late payment penalty

Partial payments are applied first to the outstanding interest and penalty, then to the oldest outstanding taxes in accordance with the *Municipal Act, 2001*. **Penalty of 1.25% per month on the 2020 final tax billing amount is waived until December 31, 2020 due to Covid-19.**

Mortgage companies and/or agencies

If a mortgage company or agent pays your taxes, a copy of the **final tax bill** will also be sent to you for your information.

Change of ownership or mailing address

Please forward the bill to the new owner or return it to the Tax Department as soon as possible. Changes of title require a copy of the registered deed. Please advise the Tax Department in writing of any changes in address. Failure to receive a tax bill will not invalidate penalty and interest charges.



Methods of payment

Mail - P.O. Box 400, Almonte, ON K0A 1A0. Payment must be **received** by the due date.

Bank - payable, with your tax stub, at most financial institutions.

Telephone or Online Banking - available through most financial institutions (**please use your current 19 digit roll number as your account number**).

In Person - at the Municipal Office located at 3131 Old Perth Road between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. Interac is available at the municipal office **when the office re-opens to the public.**

After Hours - a drop box is located at the back of the municipal office building.

Pre-authorized Payment - equal amounts will be withdrawn from your account monthly (only available for accounts with no tax arrears). Call for more information.

Post-dated Cheques - installment payments are accepted.

Tax Class Descriptions	
R Residential/Farm	T Managed Forest
C Commercial	M Multi-residential
F Farmland	P Pipelines
I Industrial	S Shopping Centre
N New Multi-res - new construct	X Comm-New Construct
	J Industrial-New Construct

3131 Old Perth Rd,
P.O. Box 400
Almonte, ON K0A 1A0
613-256-2064 or
Toll free 1-888-779-8666
www.mississippimills.ca



Explanation of Special Charges/ Levies on the 2020 Tax Bill

Policing Levy

The Province of Ontario implemented a new OPP Billing Model effective January 1, 2015. A few years ago Council made the decision to separate the **previously combined** Policing Levy and Municipal Levy to provide greater transparency with respect to these OPP costs. (Tax Rate By-Law 20-038)

Waste Management Charge

The Waste Management Charge is a user fee for garbage and recycling services as well as operating costs of the landfills. The fee has been calculated at \$240 per user. (Waste Management By-Law 20-017)



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- Visit www.mississippimills.ca
- Click on the **SUBSCRIBE TO OUR NEWS FEED** link at the top centre of the home page
- Enter your contact information and you're on our list (mississippimills.ca will not share your email address)

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Open Air Burning Guidelines No Permit = No Fire



Burning Permits

- Are required
- You must be 18 years of age or older
- Log onto the website and follow instructions to get your permit - mm.burnpermits.com
- You can also call the Municipal Office or Almonte Fire Station during business hours to obtain your permit.
- Call 613-706-4004 to activate your permit

FIRE BAN - Residents may be responsible for full cost recovery if a Fire Department call out results from open air burning during a fire ban

Green Flashing Lights



A flashing green light indicates a volunteer firefighter responding to an emergency call.

Please yield the right-of-way to help them respond quickly and safely

Test your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms



“Extra Tools for Your Safety Toolbox”

- Having working smoke and carbon monoxide alarms is the law in Ontario
- Install alarms outside sleeping areas, and if alerted, leave immediately using your family escape plan
- Test your alarms once a month, gently vacuum twice a year, replace batteries once a year or when your alarm chirps, replace every 7-10 years
- When you escape from a fire **DO NOT GO BACK INSIDE! Call 9-1-1**
- Be ready for an emergency. Prepare a survival kit that will keep your family safe and comfortable for up to 72 hours

For more safety information, please call us at Fire Department 613-256-1589

www.mississippimills.ca/en/live/fire.asp

Public notice of herbicide use

The County of Lanark and the Municipality of Mississippi Mills intend to control wild parsnip in areas County-wide along roadsides. The program will be using products under the *Pest Control Products Act* (Canada).

Herbicide treatment for wild parsnip on Lanark County and Mississippi Mills' roads will begin in May/June 2020, weather permitting. Spraying will continue throughout the summer months as needed. The areas to be treated and program details, including Adopt-a-Road and opt out (no spray) options, may be accessed on the County's website - <http://www.lanarkcounty.ca/Page1875.aspx> - and Municipality's website - <https://www.mississippimills.ca/en/live/weedcontrol.asp>.

For information related to County roads, please contact 613-267-1353 or toll free 1-888-952-6275; for information related to the Municipality of Mississippi Mills' roads please contact the Roads & Public Works Department at 613-256-2064 or armstrong@mississippimills.ca.

