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COUNTY TREASURER WARNS TAXPAYERS OF USPS POSTMARK POLICY CHANGE AFFECTING TAX PAYMENTS

Fond du Lac County Treasurer Brenda Schneider is urging residents who mail their property tax payments to be aware of a recent U.S. Postal Service policy change that could affect whether payments are considered on time.

In August 2025, the USPS announced a nationwide change in how postmarks are applied. Postmarks are now stamped at regional processing centers rather than at the local post office when a Post Office representative accepted first possession of the mail piece. Because postmarks are commonly used to determine compliance with legal deadlines—including tax payments, contracts, and election materials—this change may have significant consequences.

Under the new policy, mail deposited Monday through Friday at a non-regional post office will not receive a postmark until the following day. Mail sent on Saturday will not be collected or scanned until Monday, resulting in a postmark two days after it was mailed. If mail is sent on a Saturday preceding a Monday holiday, the postmark may be delayed until Tuesday, creating a three-day gap.

Schneider encourages Fond du Lac County property owners to mail tax payments several days before the due date to avoid delinquent fees.

“To avoid your mailed payment being classified as delinquent, you should physically go into the Post Office no later than the due date and request that they postmark your envelope in front of you,” Schneider said.

Property tax payments for parcels located in the City of Fond du Lac and the Village of North Fond du Lac may also be made online through the County’s website. Payments can be made by credit card or e-check, though fees are added by the third-party processing company.

Payments for 2025 property taxes on parcels located in all other municipalities must be made directly at the municipal level.

For additional information, contact the County Treasurer's Office at (920) 929-3010.

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