

January Newsletter

Tax Due Dates: February 23, 2023 and April 27, 2023



2023 Interim Taxes

2023 Interim Tax Bill has been calculated using 50% of your total taxes for 2022.

Assessment Appeals do not relieve you from having to pay the taxes on the due dates as set out in the tax bill.

Penalty/Interest Charges of 1.25% per month (15% per year) are added to all outstanding taxes on the first day of the month following the due date, and each month after until the full amount is paid.

To avoid these charges, make sure that your payment reaches our office by the due date. Failure to receive a bill does not relieve you from penalty/interest charges, so please make sure your mailing address is correct or sign up for e-billing.

Tax Incentive Programs

Farm Property Class Tax Rate Program

Agricorp
www.agricorp.com
1-888-247-4999

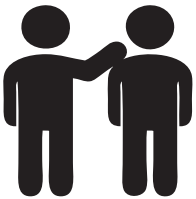
Conservation Land Tax Incentive Program

Ministry of Natural
Resources
www.ontario.ca
1-800-268-8959

Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program

Ministry of Natural
Resources
www.ontario.ca
1-855-866-3847

How To Pay Your Tax Bill



In-Person



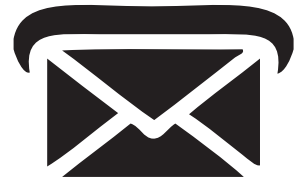
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**Online
Banking**



P.A.P.



Deposit Box
21 Trowbridge St W

Pre-Authorized Payment Plan (P.A.P.) for Property Taxes

Sign up for Pre-Authorized Payments to ensure you have no late or missed charges. Options for tax billing include by installment or a monthly plan.

E-Billing

Sign up to eliminate paper bills by having your property bills emailed to you.

Credit Cards are **ONLY** accepted through third party agent, **Paymentus**.

Pay your property taxes using your visa or mastercard over the phone or online:
1-877-565-3799 | www.meaford.ca/PayTaxes

Guidelines:

- Processing fee for Taxes - 1.75% (Allow two business days to process)
- You will receive an email confirmation of payment for online payments or a confirmation number by phone
- You will need to enter your 19 digit property assessment roll number

**For more information, visit www.meaford.ca/Taxes or
call (519) 538-1060 extension 1104**

REMEMBER: Keep your Tax Bill for Income Tax Purposes.

ABOUT MY PROPERTY

Do you have questions about your Property Assessment?
Website: www.aboutmyproperty.ca
Phone: 1-866-296-6722

MPAC Assessment Cycle - www.mpac.ca

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Ontario government has postponed the 2020 Assessment Update. They have indicated that property assessments for the 2023 property tax year will continue to be based on the fully phased-in January 1, 2016 current values. This means your property assessment for the 2023 property tax year will be the same as the 2022 tax year, unless there have been changes to your property.

In 2016, MPAC mailed a Property Assessment Notice to every property owner in the province – assessing more than five million properties in Ontario. Your 2016 Notice reflects the assessed value and classification of your property as of January 1, 2016 and this will be used as the basis for calculating your 2023 property taxes.

MPAC continues to review properties during non-Assessment Update years as new homes are built, owners renovate, structures are demolished and property use changes.

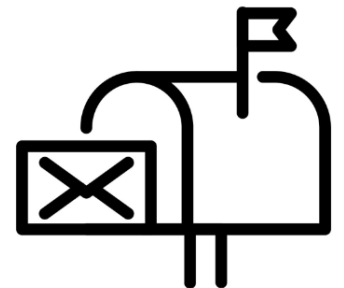
You may receive a notice from MPAC if there has been a change to your property including:

- Change to property ownership, legal description, or school support.
- Change to the property's value resulting from a Request for Reconsideration or an Assessment Review Board decision.
- Property value increase/decrease reflecting a change to the property; for example, a new structure, addition, or removal of an old structure.
- Change in the classification or tax liability of the property.

Have you Checked Your Mailing Address?

To have your mail properly directed to your correct mailing address:

- Provide written notice of your mailing address, including 911 number and roll number(s) to tax@meaford.ca
- Provide a phone number and/or e-mail address for any future communications to tax@meaford.ca



2023 Municipal Budgets Meeting Schedule

The 2023 budget process is underway and your feedback is important!

1. **Submit your budget questions.** We will post budget questions and answers to our website weekly at www.meaford.ca/Budgets. You can ask your questions by emailing budgets@meaford.ca, calling 519-538- 1060 extension 1746 or by dropping by the Administration Office located at 21 Trowbridge Street West, during regular hours of operation.
2. **Participate in our budget public meetings.** Meetings are open to the public and you can attend in person or watch on our YouTube channel at www.meaford.ca/YouTube. To register to speak in person or virtually at a meeting, email deputyclerk@meaford.ca or call 519-538-1060 extension 1100.
3. **Provide your feedback to Council** by emailing all members of Council directly using council@meaford.ca.

Paper Copies of the budget are available upon request.

Learn more at:
www.meaford.ca/Budgets
or scan the QR code provided below.



| Budget Public Meeting | Budget Day 1 Operating | Budget Day 2 Capital | Statutory Public Meeting |
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| Wednesday, February 8 6:30 p.m. | Thursday, February 23 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. | Friday, February 24 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. | Monday, March 20 5:00 p.m. |

All 2023 Budget meetings will be held at the Meaford Council Chambers at 157859 7th Line.

Winter Snow Removal

To learn more about our winter maintenance program, including plow routes, snow clearing tips or providing feedback, visit our website at:

www.meaford.ca/WinterRoads

Dog Tags

Now selling 2023 annual dog tags at the reduced rate until March 31, 2023.

All dog owners are required to fasten the annual municipal dog tag to their dog's collar.

For more information, please visit

www.meaford.ca/AnimalServices