

Save a stamp – pay your property taxes electronically

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The first half of Hennepin County property taxes is due Monday, May 16. (Property taxes are split into equal payments due May 15 and Oct. 15 each year. This year May 15 falls on a Sunday, so taxes are due on Monday.)

Are you still paying the old-fashioned way – writing a check and rushing to the mailbox?

Pay your taxes online by E-check at www.hennepin.us/echeck. It's easy, convenient, secure, fully automated – and it's free.

Hennepin County Property Tax Division Manager Scott Loomer says about 12 percent of taxpayers pay electronically. "Many people prefer doing business online. Paying by E-check offers real convenience for them," says Loomer. "We're hoping more people will try it."

There's an added bonus to paying by E-check – you're helping cut government costs by reducing paperwork and document processing.

E-checks are processed exactly like paper checks, but electronically rather than passing through the mail. You can pay from either your checking or savings account. You'll receive a confirmation screen and can print a copy as proof of payment.

Want to make sure you don't wait until the last minute the next time taxes are due? You can arrange online for direct debit from your bank account for future tax payments. And use the easy E-subscribe service to sign up for handy email reminders two weeks before tax deadlines.

Questions? Go to www.hennepin.us/propertytaxpayments for easy directions or call 612-348-3011 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.