

DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX TIMELINE FOR 2019 TAXES

The property tax foreclosure process can be confusing. We'd like to answer any questions you might have. We can help you develop a payment strategy. Please call us at (989) 895-4285.

THIS YEAR

DELINQUENCY

On March 1, 2020

- Unpaid 2019 taxes become "delinquent" and payable to Bay County Treasurer
- 4% Administrative Fee added
 - Interest begins to accrue at 12% per year

On Oct. 1, 2020

\$15 fee added

Jan. 2021

Notification is mailed

NEXT YEAR

FORFEITURE

On March 1, 2021

- Minimum of \$235 in fees added
- Property forfeited to County Treasurer
- Interest rate increased to 18% per year retroactive to March 1, 2020

June 2021

Foreclosure petition filed in Circuit Court

EARLY 2022

Aug. 2, 2021

\$45 visit fee added

Between June 1, 2021 & Jan. 31, 2022

- Title research to identify owners and lienholders
- Personal visit made to forfeited property
- Mortgage lenders, banks and other lienholders notified
- Publish foreclosure list in newspaper if not paid by Dec 1
- \$50 fee added

Feb. 2022

Show Cause Hearing held

FORECLOSURE

Feb. 2022

Court Hearing held and Judge signs Foreclosure Order

March 31, 2022

Redemption rights expire if taxes are not paid and property ownership transfers to the Bay County Treasurer
Evictions can begin as early as April 1st.

Aug. 2022

Property sold at auction. Prior owner does not receive any of the proceeds.



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