

# Your Property Tax bill: It's in the mail

If you own property within the Municipality of Cumberland keep an eye on your mailbox as the 2026-27 tax bills are in the mail. On March 30, 2026, municipal council approved a \$43.2-million operating budget and a \$13.3-million capital budget.

The general residential rate remains at \$1.17 per \$100 assessment and the commercial general rate remains at \$2.74 per \$100 assessment. Property owners in the former towns of Springhill and Parrsboro also pay area rates in addition to the general rate.

The Springhill and Parrsboro area rate is \$0.48 per \$100 of assessment for residential and \$1.19 per \$100 assessment for commercial properties. The village rate in River Hebert is 10 cents per \$100 assessment, while in Pugwash it's 38 cents per \$100 assessment for residential properties and 45 cents per \$100 assessment for commercial.

Due date for tax payments is June 30, 2026.

There are several options for payment.

**1. In-Person & Drop Boxes:** Payments can be made at any of the following service centres between 8 am and 5 pm, Monday to Friday: The Upper Nappan Service Centre - 1395 Blair Lake Rd. Upper Nappan; The Dr. Carson & Marion Murray Community Centre - 6 Main St., Springhill; The Parrsboro Service Centre - 209 Main St., Parrsboro (closed for lunch

from 12 to 12:30 pm) and Pugwash Service Centre - 10182 Durham St., Pugwash on Wednesday and Thursday from 8 am to 5 pm (closed for lunch from 1 to 1:30 pm). Drop boxes are available at any time at the Upper Nappan and Parrsboro Service Centres.

**2. Mail Cheques:** Cheques made out to the Municipality of Cumberland can be mailed to 1395 Blair Lake Road, Upper Nappan, NS B4H 3Y4. Please write your tax account number on the cheque.

**3. Financial Institutions:** Payments can be made at most financial institutions via phone or online banking services. To add the Municipality of the County of Cumberland as a payee, search for Cumberland, select Cumberland Municipal County Tax from the list and use your six-digit tax account number shown on your bill (this number begins with a 6). Remember to submit payments separately for each tax account number.

**4. Pre-authorized Payment:** The Municipality of the County of Cumberland accepts pre-authorized payment. Download the forms at <https://www.cumberlandcounty.ns.ca/services/forms-and-applications/taxation> or call 902-667-2313 to request one to be mailed. Please provide staff with at least 14 days to complete the request.

**5. Credit Card Payments via Paymentus:** Credit card payments are available through

Paymentus a third-party credit card provider. Paymentus charges a service fee of 3.28% for each transaction. **To access the service: On-line:** <https://ipn.paymentus.com/rotp/MCC> **Telephone:** Toll-Free 1-855-288-7909.

Be prepared with your tax account number, the amount to be paid and your credit card details. Please note that there is a 3.28% fee charged by Paymentus for this service. Paymentus will ask for an 8-digit tax number. Please add 00 in front of your tax account number. For example, if your tax account number is 123456 you would enter

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Please note, the Municipality of the County of Cumberland offers a partial tax exemption if your income is below established thresholds. Download the application for Income exemption from the municipal website at <https://www.cumberlandcounty.ns.ca/services/forms-and-applications/taxation.html> or call 902-667-2313 to request a form to be mailed to you.

If you have any questions about payment options or your tax bills, please at 1-888-756-6262.



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## Amateur Radio Club Unveils New Communications Trailer

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"Investing in this mobile command unit is about making sure the Municipality of Cumberland is prepared when our communities need it most," Mayor Rod Gilroy said. "Whether it's severe weather, wildfires or another emergency situation, reliable communication can save lives. The WestCumb Amateur Radio Club has created an incredible resource that strengthens emergency preparedness across our region and we're proud to support a project that will benefit residents for years to come."

The new trailer was ordered from Quebec and picked up in Moncton last fall. Members of the amateur radio club went to work putting all the pieces together to bring the modern communications-command post together in a relatively short period of time.

"We have a number of people in our organization with particular skill sets that went to work assembling this unit," Orr said. "We have people who are very good at cabinetry, some who are very good at welding who did some of the mounts for us. Many people made this a reality."

Now that it's operational, Ott said the club intends to take it out and about to community events as a communications centre and as a go-to command centre for events around the region.

"This trailer is a welcome addition to the tools Cumberland EMO has to fill gaps that arise during times of conventional communication loss," auxiliary regional EMO coordinator Mike Johnson said. "We have had several examples of communication loss from Hurricane Fiona, Dorion and the two internet cable cuts which caused huge disruption to emergency services."

"It is a reality that communication loss will happen when systems are overloaded or impacted by hardware failures due to extreme weather events or accidental damage. During these events,

Cumberland Regional EMO has developed plans to exercise a variety of backup plans to ensure residents can get the help they need from emergency services."

Johnson said the auxiliary communication service trailer can support multiple operators and multiple communication systems simultaneously to reach across a community, the county or the province. In fact, with the included High Frequency radios, they can reach around the world if need be.

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	High	Low	High	Low		High	Low	High	Low
<b>01 Wed</b>	2:08 AM (11.81 m)	8:26 AM (1.72 m)	2:35 PM (11.38 m)	8:40 PM (2.23 m)	<b>17 Fri</b>	3:17 AM (13.3 m)	9:35 AM (0.27 m)	3:46 PM (12.92 m)	9:58 PM (0.76 m)
<b>02 Thu</b>	2:50 AM (11.84 m)	9:06 AM (1.67 m)	3:17 PM (11.45 m)	9:21 PM (2.2 m)	<b>18 Sat</b>	4:07 AM (13.01 m)	10:24 AM (0.55 m)	4:35 PM (12.73 m)	10:49 PM (1.02 m)
<b>03 Fri</b>	3:31 AM (11.81 m)	9:46 AM (1.68 m)	3:58 PM (11.48 m)	10:02 PM (2.21 m)	<b>19 Sun</b>	4:58 AM (12.56 m)	11:13 AM (0.98 m)	5:25 PM (12.4 m)	11:40 PM (1.41 m)
<b>04 Sat</b>	4:13 AM (11.7 m)	10:26 AM (1.76 m)	4:40 PM (11.46 m)	10:45 PM (2.24 m)	<b>20 Mon</b>	5:49 AM (12 m)	12:03 PM (1.52 m)	6:15 PM (11.98 m)	
<b>05 Sun</b>	4:56 AM (11.55 m)	11:07 AM (1.88 m)	5:23 PM (11.44 m)	11:28 PM (2.27 m)	<b>21 Tue</b>	6:40 AM (1.85 m)	12:31 AM (11.43 m)	6:40 AM (2.07 m)	7:06 PM (11.55 m)
<b>06 Mon</b>	5:41 AM (11.37 m)	11:50 AM (2.02 m)	6:08 PM (11.42 m)		<b>22 Wed</b>	7:33 AM (2.28 m)	1:44 PM (10.91 m)	7:59 PM (2.57 m)	7:59 PM (11.17 m)
<b>07 Tue</b>	12:15 AM (2.29 m)	6:30 AM (11.2 m)	12:36 PM (2.16 m)	6:57 PM (11.44 m)	<b>23 Thu</b>	8:28 AM (2.62 m)	2:38 PM (10.52 m)	8:52 PM (2.94 m)	8:52 PM (10.92 m)
<b>08 Wed</b>	1:06 AM (2.27 m)	7:22 AM (11.08 m)	1:27 PM (2.26 m)	7:49 PM (11.51 m)	<b>24 Fri</b>	9:23 AM (2.82 m)	3:33 PM (10.31 m)	9:46 PM (3.14 m)	9:46 PM (10.82 m)
<b>09 Thu</b>	2:01 AM (2.18 m)	8:18 AM (11.04 m)	2:22 PM (2.28 m)	8:45 PM (11.67 m)	<b>25 Sat</b>	10:18 AM (2.85 m)	4:28 PM (10.28 m)	10:39 PM (3.15 m)	10:39 PM (10.89 m)
<b>10 Fri</b>	3:00 AM (2.01 m)	9:17 AM (11.13 m)	3:21 PM (2.2 m)	9:43 PM (11.92 m)	<b>26 Sun</b>	11:10 AM (2.72 m)	5:20 PM (10.42 m)	11:29 PM (3.01 m)	11:29 PM (11.09 m)
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<b>13 Mon</b>	6:02 AM (0.94 m)	12:14 PM (12.1 m)	6:22 PM (1.3 m)		<b>29 Wed</b>	1:28 PM (11.64 m)	7:21 AM (1.87 m)	1:28 PM (11.33 m)	7:36 PM (2.19 m)
<b>14 Tue</b>	12:37 AM (13.02 m)	6:58 AM (0.56 m)	1:10 PM (12.48 m)	7:19 PM (0.96 m)	<b>30 Thu</b>	2:10 PM (11.89 m)	8:01 AM (1.62 m)	2:10 PM (11.61 m)	8:17 PM (1.95 m)
<b>15 Wed</b>	1:32 AM (13.29 m)	7:52 AM (0.28 m)	2:03 PM (12.78 m)	8:13 PM (0.73 m)	<b>31 Fri</b>	2:50 PM (12.06 m)	8:40 AM (1.45 m)	2:50 PM (11.82 m)	8:57 PM (1.78 m)
<b>16 Thu</b>	2:25 AM (13.39 m)	8:44 AM (0.18 m)	2:55 PM (12.93 m)	9:06 PM (0.65 m)					

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