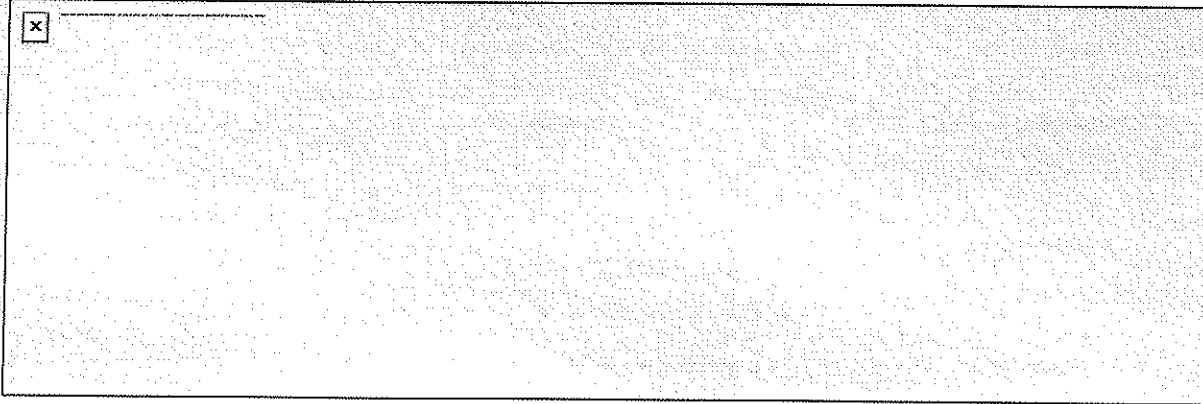


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June 22, 2021

Township Video News



TVN's PSATS Roulette | Regional Forums Starting in July
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Latest News

Reminder: Susquehanna River Basin Commission Offers Water Level Monitoring Grants

The Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC) is offering grants to support the collection and reporting of water level data in groundwater production wells in the basin. Municipalities and municipal authorities that have existing SRBC groundwater permits are eligible to apply. Applications are due **June 30, 2021**.

Grants may be used for projects not currently collecting water level data from their wells or to upgrade or replace equipment. Grants of up to \$1,500 per source are

available, with a facility cap of \$7,500 per year. [Click here](#) to learn more.

This Day in History...

On June 22, 1944, U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt signs the G.I. Bill, an unprecedented act of legislation designed to compensate returning members of the armed services—known as G.I.s—for their efforts in World War II.

The American Legion, a veteran's organization, successfully fought for many of the provisions included in the bill, which gave returning servicemen access to unemployment compensation, low-interest home and business loans, and—most importantly—funding for education.

Legislation & Policy



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House Passes Authority Rate Legislation

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House Passes Floodplain Management Administration Legislation

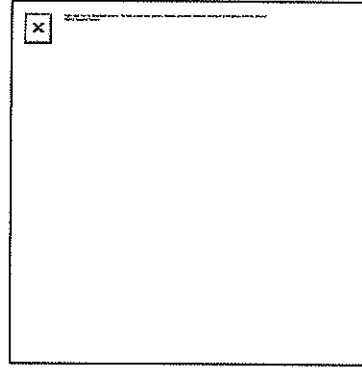
Yesterday, the House unanimously passed HB 1598 which would amend the Floodplain Management Act to move the administration of the Act from the state Department of Community & Economic Development to the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency. HB 1598 is now before the Senate Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee.

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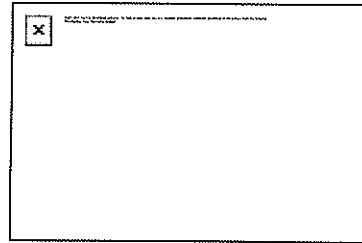


- PSATS Northwest 2021 Regional Forum - 7/20/21 - Erie
- PSATS Lehigh Valley 2021 Regional Forum - 7/28/21 - Breinigsville
- PSATS Northcentral 2021 Regional Forum - 8/5/21 - Williamsport
- PSATS Southcentral 2021 Regional Forum - 8/17/21 - Grantville
- PSATS Southwest 2021 Regional Forum - 8/24/21 - Canonsburg
- PSATS Southeast 2021 Regional Forum - 10/27/21 - Exton
- PSATS Northeast 2021 Regional Forum - 11/10/21 - Wilkes-Barre

Developing Your Township Budget

This class will provide proven and effective methods and techniques to help new and veteran township supervisors, secretaries, treasurers, managers, road masters and public works officials develop budgets that work.

- 8/5/21 - Butler Co.
- 8/6/21 - Crawford Co.
- 8/12/21 - Montgomery Co.
- 8/13/21 - Lancaster Co.
- 8/19/21 - Bradford Co.
- 8/24/21 - Cumberland Co.



2021 PSATS HR & Labor Management Institute - 9/23-24/21

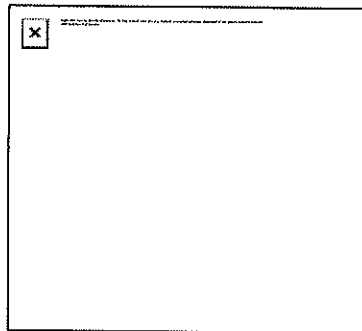
This day and a half class is a must-attend for anyone who has responsibility for HR and personnel management in their township.



2021 Solicitors Fall Seminar

In the Solicitors Fall Seminar learn from experts on a wide variety of topics critical to the practice of a municipal solicitor.

- 9/28/21 - West
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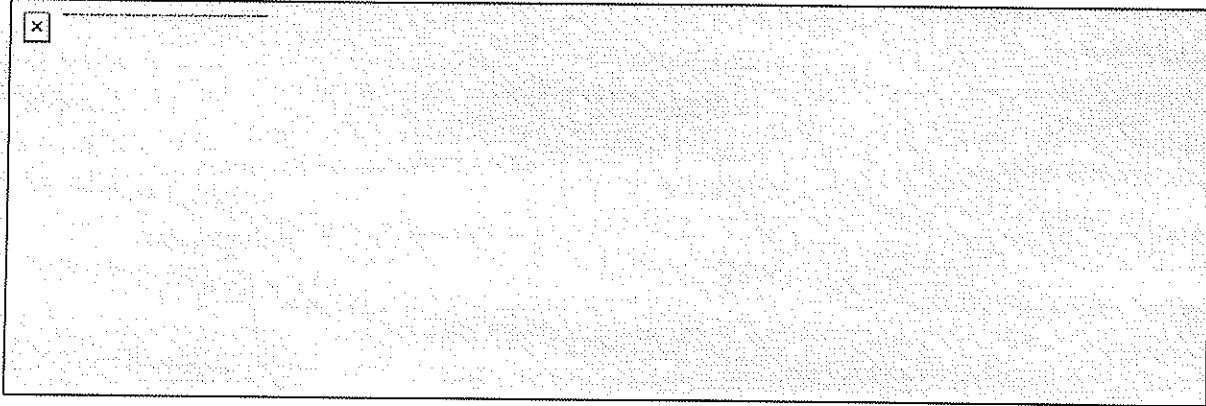
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June 23, 2021

Latest News

PSATS Executive Director to Appear on PCN Thursday Evening and Friday Morning

PSATS Executive Director Dave Sanko will appear on PCN tomorrow evening, June 24, and Friday morning, June 25, talking about a number of issues impacting townships, including legislation to allow townships to place legal advertising on websites and elsewhere, changes to the Right-to-Know Law that townships have been hoping for, the American Recovery Plan funds coming their way, unfunded mandates, solar siting in townships, and townships' response to COVID matters. The interview will air Thursday at 8 p.m. and Friday at 9 a.m.

IFO Releases Revised Revenue Estimates

The Independent Fiscal Office (IFO) has released updated revenue estimates for the commonwealth's 2020-21 and 2021-22 fiscal years that replace earlier projections. The estimates include unrestricted General Fund, Motor License Fund, and federal funds.

The IFO projects Motor License Fund revenues to be permanently reduced by the pandemic due to telework policies. The oil company franchise tax (gas tax) is adjusted annually based on the average wholesale price of gasoline and diesel fuel in the prior calendar year. Due to low fuel rates in 2020, the levy will remain at the statutory minimum of \$2.99 per gallon for the new fiscal year. [Click here](#) for more.

Pennsylvania Remains at 13th for Vaccine Doses Administered Per Capita

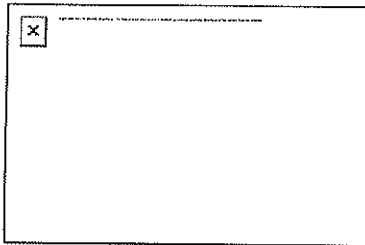
According to the Centers for Disease Control, Pennsylvania remains at 13th for total COVID doses administered per capita. Nationally, more than 150 million people have been fully vaccinated, or 55.9% of the adult population and 71.1% of those age 65 or older.

13.6 million vaccine doses have now been administered in Pennsylvania. According to the CDC, more than 6.2 million Pennsylvanians are now fully vaccinated, and an additional 1.7 million Pennsylvanians have received the first dose of a two-dose vaccine series. The CDC's data shows that 59% of Pennsylvanians age 18 and older are now fully vaccinated. [Click here](#) for state numbers and [here](#) for national numbers.

On This Day in History....

On June 23, 1683, Pennsylvania founder and first Governor William Penn signed a friendship treaty with the Lenni-Lenape Indians. It is the only treaty not sworn to and never broken!

Legislation & Policy



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Senate and House Pass Identical 5G Bills

Yesterday, the Senate passed SB 769 and the House passed HB 1621. Both bills, which are identical, would provide for the regulation of small wireless facilities in municipal rights-of-way. They would also authorize municipalities to charge an annual fee for the use of the right-of-way, not exceeding \$270 per small wireless facility or \$270 per new utility pole with a small wireless facility and would set the maximum permitted height of the pole and small cell facility at 50-feet. They would require small cells to comply with restrictions in place in underground utility districts and would allow municipalities to develop reasonable design guidelines to minimize aesthetic impact. Municipalities would have 60 days to review applications for collocation on preexisting structures and 90 days for the installation of a new structure with attached small wireless facilities. SB 769 is now awaiting committee assignment in the House and HB 1621 is now awaiting committee assignment in the Senate.

Township officials should keep in mind that as currently written, SB 769 and HB 1621 would only apply to small cell wireless facilities and poles within the right-of-way; zoning and other local ordinances are preserved. Additionally, this legislation provides municipalities with the maximum allowable authority and control within the confines of the FCC order.

Senate Passes Radar Bill

Yesterday, the Senate passed SB 419 which would permit local police officers in Pennsylvania to utilize radar or LIDAR for speed enforcement. It would require municipal police to meet and adhere to the same standards as the Pennsylvania State Police. SB 419 would also require a municipality's governing body to pass an ordinance and place signs in the municipality stipulating that the police may use radar or LIDAR, would require the issuance of written warnings for the first 90 days, and would place a cap on the amount of money a municipality may retain from speeding tickets written using either radar or LIDAR. Surplus revenue would fund future state police cadet classes. SB 419 is now awaiting committee assignment in the House.

Senate Passes Municipalities Planning Code Bill

Yesterday, the Senate unanimously passed SB 208 which would amend the Municipalities Planning Code to clarify that a municipality may not require a developer to post a bond of more than 110% of the costs of the improvements. SB 208 would also clarify that a municipality may retain 110% of the remaining costs of improvements prior to completion. SB 208 is now awaiting committee assignment in the House.

Senate Passes Lemonade Stand Legislation

Yesterday, the Senate unanimously passed HB 664 which would prohibit a municipality from requiring a license for a business that a minor operates occasionally and makes a profit of less than \$5,000 per year. HB 664 has passed the House and the Senate and will be presented to the Governor.

House Passes Election Reform Legislation

Yesterday, the House passed HB 1300 which would allow early in-person voting beginning in 2025, the correcting of non-fatal defects on mail-in ballots and would give counties the option of using secure mail-in ballot drop boxes. HB 1300 would also expand Pennsylvania's voted identification law, improve election uniformity among the 67 counties, enhance certification processes for all machines used in elections, require signature verification using ballot scanning equipment for mail-in and absentee ballots, improve lists of registered voters and more. HB 1300 is now before the Senate State Government Committee.

Senate Transportation Committee Approves Electric Truck Weight Bill

Yesterday, the Senate Transportation Committee approved SB 153 which would increase the maximum allowable weight for commercial vehicles powered by electric batteries from 80,000 pounds to 82,000 pounds. SB 153 is now before the Senate.

House State Government Committee Approves Meeting Agenda Bill

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2021 PAAZO Fall Seminar

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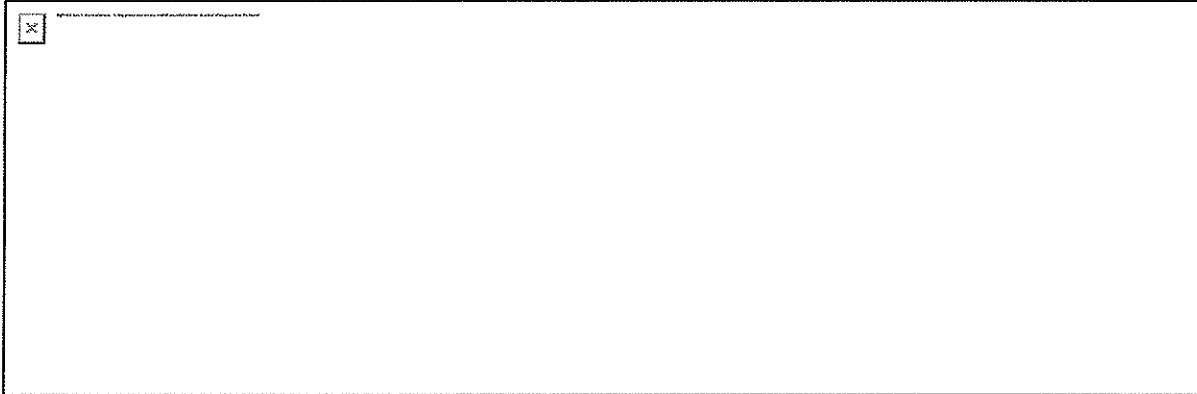
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June 25, 2021

Latest News

Treasury Updates ARP FAQs Yet Again

Yesterday, the U.S. Treasury Department updated its [Frequently Asked Questions](#) (FAQs) document on the American Rescue Plan funds. One question was added on the use of funds for housing and eviction prevention efforts. In addition, the last page now includes a detailed chart of the types of revenues to include and not include when calculating lost revenues.

Harrisburg State Budget News

Before this publication appears on Monday, we will learn that the legislature has proposed a budget of under \$40 Billion dollars for the Commonwealth for next year. Given the current budget surplus combined with the influx of federal stimulus funding, it should come as no surprise that the new budget will represent a significant increase from the current \$33.1 billion budget (that had money left over!). We will also learn of the departure of Governor Wolf's Chief of Staff Mike Brunelle as well as Budget Secretary Jen Swails.

On This Day in History.....

On June 25, 1876, Native American forces led by Crazy Horse and Sitting Bull (Lakota Sioux tribal leaders) defeat the U.S. Army troops of General George Armstrong Custer in the Battle of the Little Bighorn near southern Montana's Little

Bighorn River. Out-armed and out-numbered, the bloody battle became known as Custer's Last Stand.

Legislation & Policy



The House and Senate will be in session today, June 25. Watch session live [here](#). Both chambers will also be in session tomorrow, June 26.

House Passes Overweight Hauling Permit Bill

Yesterday, the House passed HB 1232 which would authorize the state Department of Transportation to issue an annual overweight hauling permit for the movement of agricultural liming materials, seed, and fertilizer between March and June. The permits would cost \$788 and vehicles with a permit would not be able to exceed 95,000. HB 1232 is now awaiting committee assignment in the Senate.

Bill Banning Vaccination Passports Passes

Yesterday, the Senate passed SB 618 which would prohibit the state, counties, municipalities, school districts, and colleges that are subsidized by state taxpayers from requiring proof of vaccination against COVID-19. SB 618 has passed both chambers and will be presented to the Governor.

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Emergency Management Fall Exercise Forum

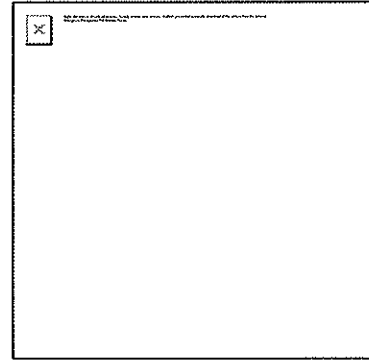
This full-day class is designed for everyone responsible for your municipality's emergency management program, including elected officials, municipal managers, road crew/public works personnel, and, most importantly, local emergency management coordinators (EMCs).

10/28/21 – PSATS (Cumberland Co.)

11/4/21 – West (Washington Co.)

11/9/21 – East (Montgomery Co.)

11/18/21 – Central (Centre Co.)



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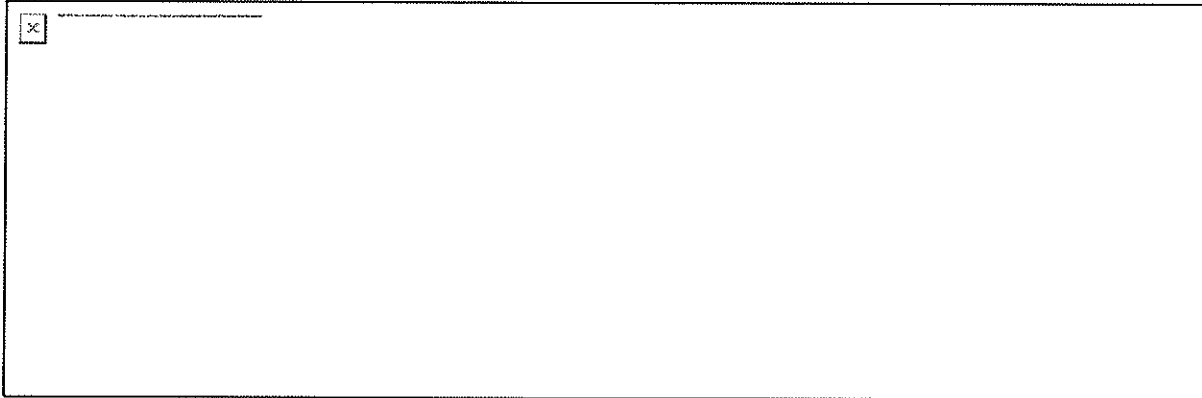


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June 28, 2021

Latest News

Reminder: Townships Need to Apply for American Rescue Plan Funds ASAP

Township officials are reminded that each township with a population of less than 50,000 must apply for its American Rescue Plan funds through the state Department of Community and Economic Development's Single Application for Assistance as soon as possible. Completed applications can expect to see funds transferred in mid-July. Townships with populations of 50,000 or more must apply directly through the U.S. Treasury.

PSATS has learned, from other states, that the U.S. Treasury Department has made clear that unapplied for ARP funds cannot be reallocated for 60 days (late July in PA). Accordingly, expect to hear this week that while townships are urged to apply by June 30, additional time will be provided in accordance with Treasury guidance. We are pressing DCED and the Governor's Office to confirm this extension which would provide welcome relief for the many townships struggling to update or apply to SAM.gov.

PSATS has provided detailed information on how to apply on its COVID-19 page, which is available by [clicking here](#). Please note that ALL townships are now required to apply for a SAM.gov registration, and proof of application for a SAM.gov account is required for the DCED Single Application. **You do NOT need to wait for**

approval for SAM.gov before applying to DCED.

Together Again!

Watch Your Mail for Information on PSATS Business Meeting, Centennial Celebration

Join PSATS for two major events scheduled for this fall in Hershey! Registration information was mailed late last week for our **Centennial Celebration Dinner on October 14**, followed by **PSATS 2021 Annual Business Meeting on October 15**.

Registration Opens August 2: Registration for the Business Meeting and Centennial Dinner will open on Monday, August 2. Look for registration materials with detailed instructions in your mailbox this week!

Business Meeting: On Friday, October 15, voting delegates will conduct **PSATS' 2021 Annual Business Meeting**, hear committee reports, elect PSATS leadership, and most importantly, adopt resolutions that will guide state association policy in Harrisburg and Washington, D.C. All are welcome with priority registration going to voting delegates.

Appointing Your Voting Delegates: When registering for Business Meeting, you will need to note who your voting delegate is because no records were "rolled over" from the spring conference registration. Technically, it is the same event and does not require a public action unless you are changing your township's original designation. If making a change, be sure to decide at your next scheduled meeting so you are ready when registration opens.

Centennial Celebration Dinner: On Thursday, October 14, the Pennsylvania Leadership Institute will host a **Centennial Celebration of PSATS' First 100 Years**. This fun-filled historic evening, complete with dinner and light entertainment, is not to be missed!

Pennsylvania Mask Mandate Gone

Effective at 12:01 am today, Acting Secretary of Health Alison Beam lifted the statewide mask mandate. Beam continues to encourage Pennsylvanians to follow Centers for Disease Control guidance for wearing a mask where required by local business and workplace guidance. The CDC recommends individuals wear a mask on planes, buses, trains, and other forms of public transportation, as well as airports and stations. Vaccinated individuals generally do not need to wear masks according to CDC guidance, except where required.

PennDOT Accepting Applications for Funding Opportunity

The state Department of Transportation will accept applications for the 2021 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program **until October 15**. \$18 million is available for projects that enhance pedestrian and bicycle facilities, improve access to public transportation, create safe routes to schools, preserve historic transportation structures, provide environmental mitigation, create trails that serve a transportation purpose, and promote safety and mobility. Local governments are eligible to apply. For more information, click here. Questions about the TA Set-Aside program can be directed to RA-pdTASA@pa.gov or 717.775.3276.

Pa. COVID-19 Cases, Hospitalizations, Deaths Continue to Drop

Case counts decreased for the tenth week in a row with 1,263 new cases of COVID-19 reported this week, 38% less than last week. The statewide COVID-19 total case count now stands at 1,211,603. The commonwealth has dropped to the 41st highest growth in cases per 100,000, with Missouri, Nevada, and Wyoming

now making up the top three.

For the tenth week in a row, the number of COVID-19 hospitalizations in Pennsylvania has decreased from 441 to 350, a 20.6% decrease. 66 of these patients are in an ICU, down from 99 the prior week. The number of COVID-19 patients on a ventilator statewide decreased from 67 to 54.

Deaths attributed to COVID-19 in Pennsylvania decreased for the fifth week in a row. 85 deaths were reported this week, 10.5% less than the previous week. Total deaths in Pennsylvania have reached 27,654. Deaths nationwide officially passed 600,000 this week.

Pennsylvania's statewide percent-positivity rate has decreased for the tenth week in a row from 1.4% to 1.2% and is below 5% for the sixth week in a row. 65 counties now have rates less than 5% (*up from 64 last week*), two counties have rates of 5% to less than 10% (*down from three last week*), and no county had rates of 10% to less than 20% for the second week in a row. [Click here](#) for more county-specific information.

This Day in History

On June 28, 1953, workers at a Chevrolet plant in Flint, Michigan, assemble the first Corvette, a two-seater sports car that would become an American icon. The first completed production car rolled off the assembly line two days later, one of just 300 Corvettes made that year.

Here is the link for this week's issue of the [Pennsylvania Bulletin](#).

Legislation & Policy



General Assembly Approves Final 2021-22 State Budget

On Friday, the General Assembly approved the final \$40.8 billion 2021-2022 state budget package, which includes \$2.2 billion in federal stimulus funds and is a 8 percent increase in spending from the previous fiscal year. The final budget does not include any State Police fees, new taxes or tax increases.

Many line items are the same as the 2020-2021 budget, while gaps for some programs, primarily in education and health and human services, were filled with stimulus funds. The budget package also includes allocations for rental, utility and water assistance, as well as childcare stabilization for those struggling from the pandemic.

The Pennsylvania State Police received a net increase of \$14.6 million. As expected, the PSP budget received less funding from the Motor License Fund than in previous years, with the increase coming from the General Fund.

The state Department of Transportation's allocation from the Motor License Fund for traffic signals increased from \$10 million to \$40 million.

The state Department of Community & Economic Development received a slight increase of \$2 million while the Governor's Center for Local Government Services and the Office of Open records received level funding. The General Assembly also allocated \$20 million from federal stimulus funds for broadband deployment in unserved and underserved areas.

Governor Wolf has expressed his support of the final budget package and is expected to sign it soon.

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5G Legislation Passes

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Authority Rate Adjustment Legislation Passes

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Microenterprise Loan Legislation Passes

On Friday, the House unanimously concurred on Senate amendments to pass

HB 827 which gives municipalities the option to create a microenterprise loan program and allow for tax abatement for blighted properties. HB 827 has passed the House and the Senate and will be presented to the Governor.

House Judiciary Committee Approves Impeachment Bill

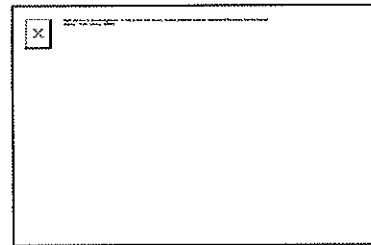
On Friday, the House Judiciary Committee approved HR 117 which would direct the Judiciary Committee to investigate the conduct of Township Supervisor Kerry Bumbaugh, Quincy Township, Franklin County, to determine whether he is liable for impeachment for misbehavior in office. HR 117 is now before the House.

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Webinar - Traffic Calming - 6/30/21

This webinar introduces traffic calming - an engineering tool that municipalities can use to address these requests and concerns.



Webinar - Energy Assurance and Emergency Planning - 7/7/21

This webinar will provide an overview of the state's current energy assurance plan and efforts in relation to Emergency Support Function 12 - Energy.



Webinar - Understanding & Implementing PA's Police Reform Bills: Acts 57 & 59 of 2020 - 7/8/21

This program will review the statutory and regulatory requirements for a municipality and their police department to properly implement Act 57, relating to background checks for law enforcement employment purposes and Act 59, relating to mental health evaluations and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) for law enforcement officers.



Webinar - Your Personal Financial Foundation -
Session 2

Everyone knows that identity theft and ransomware is on the rise and is a headache to rectify when it happens, whether to you as an individual or as a township. But do you know all of the steps that you can take to better protect your identity and your personal information? In this webinar, you will learn some key tips to protect your personal information.



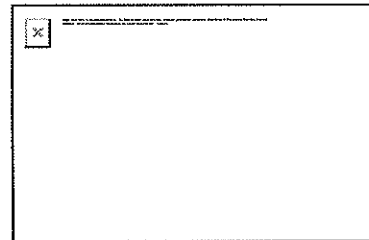
Webinar - Using Open Space to Deliver
Economic, Social and Environmental Benefits -
7/14/21

This presentation will discuss how planners and community leaders can meet the increased demand for open space while addressing broader social, environmental, and economic needs.



Webinar - Basic Parliamentary Procedure for
Local Government - 7/15/21

Parliamentary procedure may not seem to be the most exciting topic, but it is the absolute foundation for running an efficient township meeting and instilling confidence in your residents that the township is being effectively governed.



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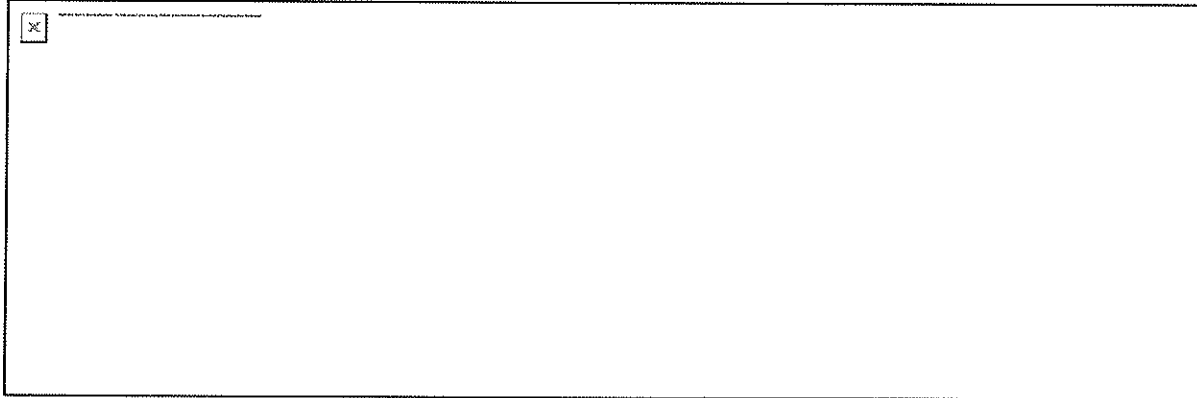


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June 29, 2021

Township Video News



TVN's Question of the Week | Fireworks Frustration: What Can We Do?
It's not even the Fourth of July, and residents are already complaining about fireworks in their neighborhoods. We explain the options townships have to manage their use. Also, [click here](#) to catch up on previous Questions of the Week. (1:12)

Latest News

Breathe Easier!

While the heat is stifling, there is cause for breathing easier today. The U.S. Treasury granted a 30-day extension to the Commonwealth of PA for ARP distributions. While there is now additional time to complete your application, it is still a good idea to do so sooner rather than later. Those who have completed the DCED application will be getting funds deposited in your account over the next few weeks. All communities with a population under 50,000 must apply to DCED. Communities with a population over 50,000 must apply directly to U.S. Treasury. Be careful of scams...neither application requires ANY personal information like social security numbers.

PennDOT Invites Private Sector to Submit Qualifications on P3 Bridge Tolling Candidates

The state Department of Transportation is inviting the private sector to submit their qualifications to compete for the opportunity to enter into a public-private partnership to administer its Major Bridge Public-Private Partnership (P3) Initiative. The initiative would fund the reconstruction or replacement of the identified bridges through tolling.

While interested vendors have **until August 5** to submit their qualifications and interest, PennDOT has not yet identified which, if any, of the identified bridges will be chosen for a final P3 contract. The bridges under consideration and study for the initiative include the following:

- I-78 Lenhartsville Bridge Replacement Project (Berks County);
- I-79 Widening, Bridges and Bridgeville Interchange Reconfiguration (Allegheny County);
- I-80 Canoe Creek Bridges (Clarion County);
- I-80 Nescopeck Creek Bridges (Luzerne County);
- I-80 North Fork Bridges Project (Jefferson County);
- I-80 Over Lehigh River Bridge Project (Luzerne and Carbon counties);
- I-81 Susquehanna Project (Susquehanna County);
- I-83 South Bridge Project (Dauphin County); and
- I-95 Girard Point Bridge Improvement Project (Philadelphia County).

PennDOT's announcement was met with anger by some legislators, such as the chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee, Sen. Wayne Langerholc, who feel that the announcement is the wrong move right after the close of budget negotiations. Langerholc sponsored legislation to terminate the P3 Bridge Tolling initiative, which passed the Senate and is pending in the House.

See Your Township in the 2022 PSATS Calendar!

Township public works crews operate year-round, and we'd like to see your crew in action. Get creative and show us the many ways that your public works crew keeps your township running smoothly throughout the year.

For example, you could send photos of your crew:

- repairing or resurfacing roads;
- cleaning out ditches;
- mowing along roads or in parks;
- plowing snow or spreading salt and antiskid;
- sprucing up playgrounds, benches, pavilions, or other park amenities;
- working on a sewer project;
- sweeping streets or collecting leaves;

- processing yard waste at a composting facility;
- repairing or replacing a bridge or culvert;
- repairing or maintaining equipment; or
- any of the many other tasks public works crews perform.

To reproduce well in print, photos must have a resolution of at least **300 dpi** at a size of **4 inches x 6 inches**. Photos taken with a smartphone are fine but be sure to send them to us as "actual size" to ensure full resolution. Photos should be in color.

Email photos as jpeg attachments to kacri@psats.org by **September 17, 2021**. Provide your name, position, township, county, and daytime telephone number. Identify everyone in the photo left to right, their titles or roles, and a brief description of what they're doing in the photo.

USDA Seeks Organizations to Provide Rural Homeowners with Water and Septic Loans

The U.S. Department of Agriculture is seeking qualified organizations to create loans to help rural homeowners finance household water systems. Funds are being made available under the [Rural Decentralized Water Systems Grant program](#). Through this program, USDA awards grants to qualified nonprofit lending institutions to provide affordable loans to homeowners who need new household water systems or new or repaired septic systems. **The deadline for interested organizations to apply is July 19.**

Additionally, lending institutions can now use funds to provide grants to homeowners who earn less than 60 percent of area median income. These changes are expected to greatly increase the number of households that can participate in the program, providing safe, clean water throughout rural America.

Eligible applicants are required to provide 10 percent matching funds. **Please direct questions about this opportunity to the contact listed in the [USDA announcement](#).**

This Day in History....

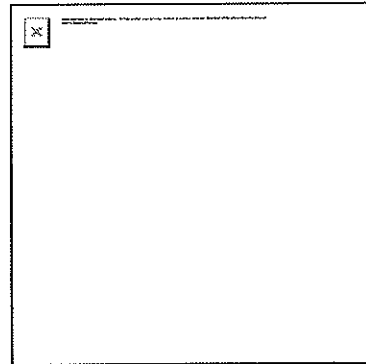
On June 29, 1995, the American space shuttle Atlantis docks with the Russian space station Mir to form the largest man-made satellite ever to orbit the Earth. This historic moment of cooperation between former rival space programs was also the 100th human space mission in American history.

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PSATS Regional Forums

"PSATS Live" is back, and we're going on the road again with our ever-popular Regional Forums at a location near you starting in July in Erie and running through November in Wilkes-Barre. We have all-new content and a one-day-only format now. Be sure to sign up for the one closest to you!



- PSATS Northwest 2021 Regional Forum - 7/20/21 - Erie**
- PSATS Lehigh Valley 2021 Regional Forum - 7/28/21 - Breinigsville**
- PSATS Northcentral 2021 Regional Forum - 8/5/21 - Williamsport**
- PSATS Southcentral 2021 Regional Forum - 8/17/21 - Grantville**
- PSATS Southwest 2021 Regional Forum - 8/24/21 - Canonsburg**
- PSATS Southeast 2021 Regional Forum - 10/27/21 - Exton**
- PSATS Northeast 2021 Regional Forum - 11/10/21 - Wilkes-Barre**

Developing Your Township Budget

This class will provide proven and effective methods and techniques to help new and veteran township supervisors, secretaries, treasurers, managers, road masters and public works officials develop budgets that work.



- 8/5/21 - Butler Co.
- 8/6/21 - Crawford Co.
- 8/12/21 - Montgomery Co.
- 8/13/21 - Lancaster Co.
- 8/19/21 - Bradford Co.
- 8/24/21 - Cumberland Co.

2021 PSATS HR & Labor Management Institute - 9/23-24/21

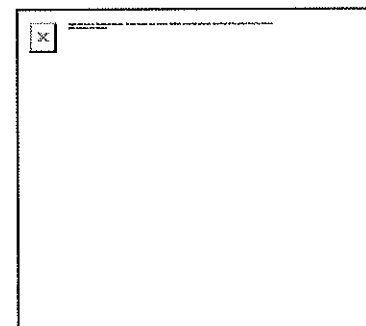
This day and a half class is a must-attend for anyone who has responsibility for HR and personnel management in their township.



2021 Solicitors Fall Seminar

In the Solicitors Fall Seminar learn from experts on a wide variety of topics critical to the practice of a municipal solicitor.

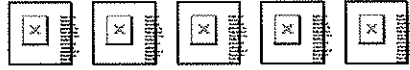
- 9/28/21 - West
- 10/7/21 - Central
- 11/4/21 - East



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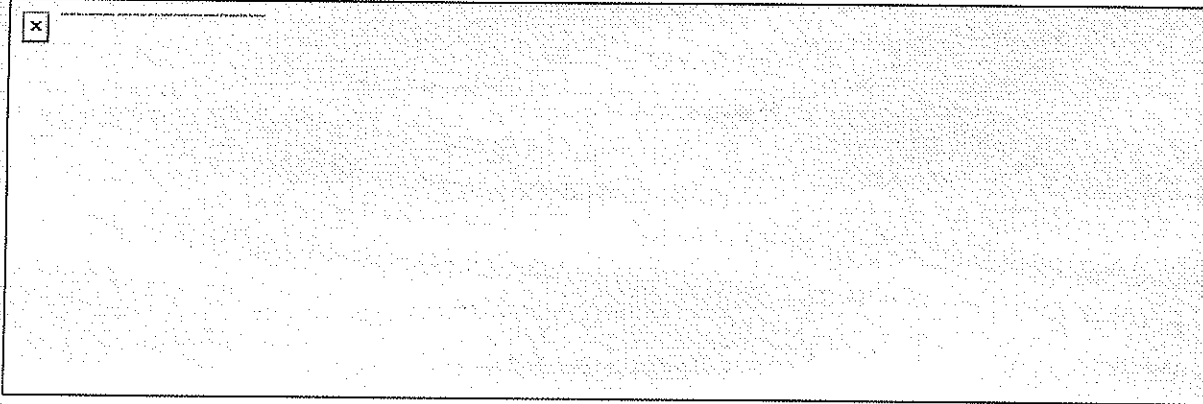


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Latest News

Reminders After Applying for American Rescue Funds

The state Department of Community and Economic Development has noted that American Rescue Funds should be placed under 352.53 or 352.530 in its Chart of Accounts. The name for this account is Federal Entitlements to Governmental Units. Expenditures should be coded based upon the type of expense.

If you need to provide supporting information to DCED after you file your Single Application, such as your SAM.gov expiration date, you can email this information, along with your 12-digit confirmation number from DCED, township, and county to covidarpa@pa.gov.

Once the U.S. Treasury approves the final rules for the use of the funds and the board of supervisors is ready to spend some funds, be sure to pass a simple resolution to amend your budget that lists the new revenue and how you will use it. Again, the resolution is not needed until you are ready to spend some of your funds. [Click here](#) and scroll to the bottom of the box for a sample resolution.

Fireworks Safety Resources

Looking for fireworks safety resources to encourage safe celebrations this weekend? Here are a few resources:

- [National Fire Protection Association's Fireworks Page](#)
- [American Pyrotechnics Safety & Education Foundation](#)
- [Office of Fire Commissioner Fireworks Safety Press Release](#)

Pennsylvania Remains at 13th for Vaccine Doses Administered Per Capita

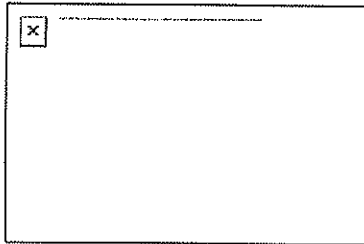
According to the Centers for Disease Control, Pennsylvania remains at 13th for total COVID doses administered per capita. Nationally, more than 154 million people have been fully vaccinated, or 57.2% of the adult population and 77.8% of those age 65 or older.

13.8 million vaccine doses have now been administered in Pennsylvania. According to the CDC, more than 6.3 million Pennsylvanians are now fully vaccinated, and an additional 1.7 million Pennsylvanians have received the first dose of a two-dose vaccine series. The CDC's data shows that 60% of Pennsylvanians age 18 and older are now fully vaccinated. [Click here](#) for state numbers and [here](#) for national numbers.

This Day in History...

Margaret Mitchell's *Gone With the Wind*, one of the best-selling novels of all time and the basis for a blockbuster 1939 movie, is published on June 30, 1936.

Legislation & Policy



Governor Signs 2021-22 State Budget

Today, June 30, Governor Wolf signed the recently passed \$40.8 billion dollar state budget for 2021-2022 calling it a document that moves Pennsylvania forward. More details will be available in tomorrow's Morning News.

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2021 PAAZO Fall Seminar

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