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November 5, 2020

Township Video News



Find out how often you should be checking the status of your employees' driver's licenses. Also, [click here](#) to catch up on previous Questions of the Week. (0:50)

Latest News

Trump Campaign Asks U.S. Supreme Court to Intervene in Late Pennsylvania Ballots

The Trump Campaign is requesting that the U.S. Supreme Court intervene in a Pennsylvania Supreme Court decision that gave counties an extra three days to collect mail and absentee ballots even if there is not a clear postmark. The higher court declined

to hear the case shortly before the election, allowing the Pennsylvania case to stand.

[Pa. Department of Agriculture Releases COVID-19 Restaurant Enforcement Numbers](#)

The state Department of Agriculture has released COVID-19 restaurant enforcement actions taken during the week of October 26 to November 1. [Read full story.](#)

[PSP Continues to Cite Liquor Violations](#)

Pennsylvania State Police liquor control enforcement officers visited 868 licensed liquor establishments from Monday, October 26, through Sunday, November 1, to ensure that businesses are abiding by COVID-19 mitigation requirements that include social distancing, masking, and other health and safety requirements of the Liquor Code. [Read full story.](#)

[Grants Available for Townships in Sinnemahoning Creek Watershed](#)

Townships in Cameron, Elk, McKean, and Potter County are eligible to apply for grants from the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission for projects that benefit the Sinnemahoning Creek watershed. Eligible projects include riparian buffer planting of trees and shrubs, purchasing and developing properties for fish and boat access, and stormwater conservation/best practices (such as environmentally sensitive maintenance practices for dirt, gravel, and low-volume roads).

Applications must be received by January 23, 2021. [Click here](#) to learn more.

Legislation & Policy



The House is in recess until November 10. The Senate remains at the call of the President Pro Tempore. Both chambers are expected to return to Harrisburg on November 10 for leadership elections.

Workers' Compensation Legislation Signed into Law

Governor Wolf signed Act 108 of 2020 (formerly SB 94) which clarifies that fire police, officers or directors of volunteer fire departments and volunteer ambulance corps, and volunteer fire department and volunteer ambulance corps volunteers that provide

necessary operational support are eligible for workers' compensation coverage if injured in the performance of their duties. Operational support is defined and must be conducted on a regular basis and is subject to approval by the municipality purchasing the coverage. Act 108 does not include a social member of a volunteer fire department. Act 108 fulfills a PSATS resolution.

COVID-19 Notification Signed into Law

Governor Wolf signed Act 112 of 2020 (SB 1110) which requires the state secretary of health or local health authority to release identifiable health information to 9-1-1 centers, law enforcement officers, fire department personnel, and emergency medical services personnel in each county under a proclamation of disaster emergency by the governor that is based on a communicable disease. Act 112 also requires public safety agencies and personnel to follow all applicable federal and state laws, regulations, and confidentiality standards.

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[Flagger Training](#)

This instructor-led Flagger Training will be conducted for individuals who have flagging responsibilities on ANY ROAD OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Others who would benefit from this course include: utility companies working on low volume roads, law enforcement personnel, municipal managers and elected officials (to understand the importance, and for budgeting purposes). Click on a date/location below to register.



[11/6/20 - Montgomery County](#)

[11/12/20 - Lancaster Co.](#)

[12/3/20 - Erie County](#)

PSATS' Regional Forum - Lackawanna County - (Virtual) - 11/12/20

In the PSATS Virtual Regional Forums, learn from experts on a wide variety of topics from the comfort of your office or home. [Click here](#) to register.



Quickbooks - Getting Ready For The Township Audit 11/19/2020

Part of the PSATS Summer/Fall 2020 QuickBooks Series

In this session, we will discuss what to look for, how to ensure that your financial records are correct, and how to close down the book for the year. [Click here](#) to register.



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