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## Latest News

### **Township Officials May Take Oath of Office Virtually**

In Pennsylvania, notaries are authorized to perform remote online notarization, with the signer personally and physically appearing before the notary via AV technology. If newly elected or re-elected township officials are having difficulty taking the oath of office in person, they may contact notaries and ask about remote online notarization.

As a reminder, all newly elected and re-elected township supervisors and other elected township officials must take an oath of office. The oath must be administered by a judge, district magistrate, or notary and filed with the township secretary.

[Click here](#) to learn more about electronic options for notaries. [Click here](#) to access an electronic copy of the oath of office.

### **Today in History....**

On December 29, 1851, Retired sea captain Thomas Valentine Sullivan establishes the first Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) in Boston, MA. He modeled the organization after the YMCA created by George Williams of London, England. Sullivan opened the Boston YMCA in the Old South Church, where volunteers coordinated its operation.

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# Learn

PSATS educational events will be listed as follows: Mondays – All webinars; Tuesdays – Administrative; Wednesdays – Planning/Zoning; Thursdays – Public Works; Fridays – Public Safety.

## [The Code Officials Guide to Zoning - Virtual Class - 1/18/22](#)

The 90-minute online course provides a comprehensive overview of current zoning issues and problems as they inter-relate to the UCC. Topics include: overview of the MPC, zoning requirements and difficulties, responsibilities of BCOs to meet and manage zoning challenges, permit issuance and enforcement conflicts, violation letter requirements and templates, and legal issues in zoning.



## **Duties of a Zoning Hearing Board**

Topics to be covered include procedures for deciding variances and special exceptions, handling hearing-related questions, Ethics Act requirements and much more.

[2/22/22 - Chester County](#)

[3/3/22 - Butler County](#)

[3/8/22 - Cumberland County](#)



## [Duties of a Zoning Hearing Board - 3/15/22 - Virtual Class](#)

Topics to be covered include procedures for deciding variances and special exceptions, handling hearing-related questions, Ethics Act requirements and much more.



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