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Township Video News



TVN's Question of the Week | Can We Trash Old Records?

Cleaning out your files? We explain the best approach to managing and destroying township records. Also, [click here](#) to catch up on previous Questions of the Week.

Latest News

DGS to Auction More Than 280 Heavy Equipment Items for Sale

The state Department of General Services will auction more than 280 heavy equipment items from the state Department of Transportation during an online auction that begins Monday, June 20, at noon and ends Tuesday, July 5, at 10 a.m. The auction includes air compressors, snowplow trucks and plows, anti-icing trucks, motor graders, and much more. Interested townships can view the list of items currently being updated by [clicking here](#). To bid, you must register online using the “Register Now” button.

Today in History....

On June 16, 1858, newly nominated senatorial candidate Abraham Lincoln addressed the Illinois Republican Convention in Springfield and warned that the nation faces a crisis that could destroy the Union. Speaking to more than 1,000 delegates in an ominous tone, Lincoln paraphrased a passage from the New Testament: “a house divided against itself cannot stand.”

Legislation & Policy

Police Pension Credit Buyback Bill Passes Senate

[SB 669](#), the police pension credit bill, was approved by the Senate by a vote of 48-2 yesterday. SB 669 would require municipalities to permit full-time police officers who have satisfied vesting requirements to purchase pension credit for prior police service in a different police department. PSATS opposes SB 669 as an unfunded mandate unless the legislature provides funding to cover the cost of this new benefit. The bill now moves to the House.

In addition, the Senate passed the following bills yesterday:

[SB 1052](#) would authorize municipalities to hold emergency meetings in another location, including another municipality, or to hold a **fully remote meeting if a disaster emergency is declared** by the governor or the local government and it is unsafe, hazardous to human health, or impossible to conduct a public meeting at the location where the municipality’s meetings are normally held.

[SB 617](#) would provide up to **six weeks of unpaid leave to qualifying employees** to care for a sibling, grandparent, or grandchild with a certified terminal illness if the individual needing care has no living spouse, child over 17 years of age, or parent under 65.

The House approved [HB 2268](#), which **would allow a 17-year-old to train for an interior firefighting module with live burns** if they have permission to engage from a fire chief and a parent or guardian. The minor would be required to be under the supervision of a credentialed Pennsylvania State Fire Academy Instructor. HB 2268 would address a PSATS resolution.

The following bills were reported from the House Veterans and Emergency Preparedness Committee:

[SB 302](#) would prohibit the use of Class B firefighting foams that contain PFAS in training exercises and testing purposes unless required by law and directs the State Fire Commissioner to assist fire companies with the transition to Class B firefighting foams that do not contain PFAS. These foams could be used for emergency firefighting and fire suppression operations.

[SB 849](#) would amend the Veterans Preference Act to require service members to complete their first term of service with “other than a dishonorable discharge.”

[SB 861](#) would authorize Pennsylvania to join the EMS Compact and make it easier for EMS personnel to move across state boundaries in performing their duties.

[SB 696](#) was reported from the House State Government Committee and would require municipalities to **notify affected individuals within seven days following determination of a breach of personal information**. The bill would require municipalities to notify the district attorney of the breach within three business days.

[SB 477](#) was amended and reported out of the House Local Government Committee. SB 477 would more clearly define **which types of improvements to real property require notice to the assessment office** and increase the property valuation. The bill was amended to include provisions from another bill that would consolidate and standardize municipal code provisions that deal with **boundary change** but not mergers or consolidations. The bill would allow municipalities to adjust a municipal boundary or settle a dispute over an unclear boundary by agreement.

Learn

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

[Flagger Training 6/22/22 - Bucks County](#)

This instructor-led Flagger Training will be conducted for individuals who have flagging responsibilities on ANY ROAD OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.



[Performing MS4 Outfall Inspections - Virtual Class - 6/23/22](#)

In this virtual class, attendees will learn a workable, effective framework for establishing a hierarchy for outfall inspections, a protocol for performing inspections in the field, and method for inspecting documenting and addressing potential illicit discharges.



Stormwater 101

This half-day, in-person, introductory class will educate you on the basics of municipal stormwater management, including the effects of stormwater runoff, the impacts of new development and redevelopment within your municipality, and best practices that your municipality can implement to efficiently manage stormwater without breaking your budget.



[7/21/22 - Cumberland County](#)

[7/29/22 - Crawford County](#)

[8/4/22 - Montgomery County](#)

[8/12/22 - Clearfield County](#)

[8/19/22 - Lackawanna County](#)

CDL - Probable Cause Training For CDL Supervisory Personnel

Participants will learn what to do if they suspect or verify that a CDL employee is under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol while on duty.

[9/16/22 - Fayette County](#)

[9/27/22 - Cumberland County](#)

[10/12/22 - Bucks County](#)

[10/19/22 - Butler County](#)

[11/18/22 - Berks County](#)



CMV/CDL Records Management

This workshop will review CMV/CDL employee and vehicle paperwork

[9/16/22 - Fayette County](#)

[9/27/22 - Cumberland County](#)

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