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Consideration to Support Community Media

Raymond Gouker, CEO Community Media

For 30 years, Community Media of South Central PA has been our local PEG Station. Last year they produced 800 hours of local programming, telecasted over 2500 hours of mostly local programming, managed the local bulletin board, provided streaming and on-demand access of their programs and telecasted 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.

Community Media showcases that which is positive within our community. This includes our landscape, commerce, municipalities, community service organizations, schools and sports. They celebrate our most valuable assets: you, your relatives and neighbors. They focus on our citizens. They bring attention to their sacrifices, achievements and passions. With gratitude they recognize them as our best and as role models for our youth. They help them with their missions by informing the community of their needs and initiatives.

Community Media encourages voluntary participation and financial support for our nonprofit organizations. They provide government involvement, information, and transparency. They are also an outreach for school districts. There is no other media organization which serves the Adams and York counties like Community Media. Their programs are local, in-depth, compassionate and show community unity.

Sharon Hamm, a council member of Straban Township, recently stated that the only complaint she has heard about Community Media is that they do not do more. Please allow support from Comcast customers to flow through to Community Media as is the intent with the Cable Franchise Fees, Peg Fees and the Peg Grants. After all, the customers are already paying for this service.

PSAB 107th Annual Conference

The conference is scheduled to be held at the Hershey Lodge from June 10 to 13. The theme of the annual is “Put Your Honesty, Ethics, Accountability, Responsibility, Trust (HEART) Into Your Governing.” These characteristics are key to providing the best governing practices in our communities. You can download the entire conference program by going to the PSAB website at www.boroughs.org and click on Conferences.

SB 251 vs. HB 2148 Comparison

Senate Bill 251 passed the Senate by a vote of 46-3 on November 14, 2017, it is currently pending in the House Transportation Committee. However, House Representative Rothman has introduced House Bill 2148. Presently, both bills remain in the House Transportation Committee. The Radar Coalition, which consists of the PA Chiefs of Police Association; Fraternal Order of Police, State Lodge; PA Municipal League; Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs; PA State Association of Township Commissioners; PA State Association of Township Supervisors; and PA State Mayors' Association, is hoping that the committee release SB 251 to the General Assembly for a vote. See the comparison below.

Comparison of Local Use of Radar Legislation

Provisions	SB 251	HB 2148	Notes
Radar and LIDAR	X		HB 2148 radar only
Local ordinance required	X	X	HB 2148 limits enforcement to roads where engineering and traffic studies have been completed
Use by all municipal police	X		
Use only by full-time police		X	police training does not distinguish b/w full and part time
Use only by accredited departments		X	Out of 1,075 municipal departments, only 117 are accredited
Use only by police dept that provides 24 hour a day patrol & investigative services		X	Not all municipality police departments provide 24 hour a day patrols
Training on use of speed timing devices	X	X	MPOETC Training/ HB 2148 recertification every 3 years
Local signage required	X	X	Must be placed w/in 500 feet of the municipal border at main entrance points into municipality
90-day written warning period	X	X	
No points assigned		X	
Testing of device for accuracy	X	X	SB 251 w/in 1 year of a violation / HB 2148 w/in 60 days of a violation
Device must conform to national standards	X		
Revenue cap % of municipal budget	X	X	SB 251 - 20% of budget w/ excess to Dept of Revenue HB 2148 - 1% of budget
Annual report to PennDOT		X	Municipalities must report prior year's enforcement data
Citation quota prohibited		X	Current statute prohibits quotas (71 P.S. 2001)
The generation of revenue is an allowable defense if the speeding ticket was given using radar		X	
Device operated from a marked vehicle visible to motorists		X	
Requires engineering/traffic study of local roads that must be updated every 3 years		X	Confusing provision. Setting speed limits and enforcing speed limits are two unrelated functions.
Expiration of authority		X	Re-authorization in 6 years (2024)

Input Sought on Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan

The Pennsylvania Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan seeks to outline a vision and framework for improving conditions for walking and bicycling across the state, with a focus on those who walk and bicycle by necessity. The Master Plan will provide recommendations for improving the connectivity, safety, convenience, and use of the state's bicycle and pedestrian networks.

Additional goals of the Pennsylvania Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan goals include:

- Develop goals, objectives, and performance measures for biking and walking;
- Make additional program and policy recommendations beyond those made in the Pennsylvania Transportation Advisory Committee Bicycle and Pedestrian Study (TAC Study) to the State Transportation Commission (STC); and
- Provide guidance on ways to improve local pedestrian and bicycle planning and design efforts.



Adams County Construction Permit Process

David Bolton, ACCOG Collaborative Committee Member

In the coming months the County is drafting and plans to adopt a resolution changing the process for county construction permits. Residents seeking a county permit will be required to show either a municipal permit or a signed letter from the municipality stating that a municipal permit was not required. While there will still be people conducting work without a county permit, we hope that this reduces the number. Likewise, this will reduce the number of residents failing to obtain municipal permits, due to their "belief" that a county permit sufficed. Once we have a draft, it will be released to the COG, so that their members receive copies in time for any comment. Also, any implementation date will be set far enough out to allow time for municipalities to incorporate this step with the permit process.

Adams County Transportation Planning Organization Update

David Bolton, ACTPO Vice President

The Adams County Transportation Planning Organization (ACTPO), in coordination with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) is in the process of preparing the FFY 2019-2022 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Adams County. The TIP lists priority highway, bridge, safety, transit, and enhancement projects for the period of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2022. As part of the TIP development process, the 2019-2022 Adams County Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) will be available for public review and comment from May 16, 2018 to June 18, 2018. Additionally, ACTPO will hold two public information meetings on June 13, 2018 to present and receive comments on the 2019-2022 TIP. One meeting will be held at 11:00 a.m. A second meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. Both meetings will be held at the Adams County Agricultural and Natural Resource Center at 670 Old Harrisburg Road, Gettysburg, PA.



Agency Open Records Officer Database Now Available Online

The Office of Open Records (OOR) has launched a searchable, online database of Agency Open Records Officer (AORO) contact information for every registered agency in the Commonwealth. The AORO database allows the public to contact the correct AORO to request agency records and ensures that the OOR can contact AOROs in the event an appeal is filed with the OOR. For questions about accessing the online search form or about the process, contact the OOR at 717-346-9903 or openrecords@pa.gov. If your borough has not yet registered an AORO with the OOR, complete the form online, by mail, or by fax. For more information go to openrecord.pa.gov.



Reminders for Your Schedule

Date	Time	Organization	Place
May 24	8:30 am	Adams County Council of Governments	911 Center
June 7	12:00	YATB Executive & Finance Committee	YATB Boardroom York Office
July 30	6:30 pm	YATB Board of Directors Regular Meeting	YATB Boardroom York Office

Next ACBA Meeting...



September 24, 2018

ACBA Association Staff

Mayor Ron Harris..... President
 Councilor David Bolton..... Vice President
 Sandy Conrad..... Secretary
 Charlene Westcott..... Treasurer

Special Interests

PSAB Liaison..... Councilor David Bolton
 ACBA Legislative Committee..... Councilor David Bolton
 AC Transportation Planning Org... Councilor David Bolton
 AC Transportation Planning Org... Mr. David Hazlett
 AC Transportation Planning Org... Councilor Susan Naugle
 AC COG..... Mayor Ron Harris
 AC Land Conservancy..... Mr. Bill Chantelau
 ACTCC..... Mayor Ron Harris
 YATB..... Supervisor LuAnn Dille