

DATE: March 7, 2023
TO: Township Secretaries
County Association Presidents
FROM: David M. Sanko, Executive Director
SUBJECT: 2023 Proposed By-Law Amendment for a Dues Increase

Below you will find information regarding a proposed by-law change calling for a dues increase to be considered at the 2023 PSATS' Annual Educational State Conference, to be held April 23-26, 2023 in Hershey, PA. The proposed dues increase, which is an amendment to the PSATS Bylaws, was unanimously approved by the Finance and Rules Committees on November 17, 2022.

2023 Proposed PSATS Bylaws Changes

Reasons for the proposed change. On the morning of November 17, 2022, the PSATS Finance Committee unanimously adopted a recommendation for a 3% dues increase. That afternoon, the Rules Committee adopted the below schedule to keep the final dues amounts rounded down to full dollar amounts. This results in every category increase being less than 3% with amounts ranging from \$2 to \$72 per township, depending on population. This new rate structure would take effect January 1, 2024. The last dues increase approved by the members was in April 2014.

Over the last several years, the Association has faced financial challenges due to economic conditions. Though successful for nearly a decade in holding the line on personnel costs, revising benefits, negotiating lower vendor prices, and aggressively pursuing new revenue opportunities, PSATS is now facing the same extraordinary inflation increases being suffered by member townships including supply chain and labor issues. A small increase in dues for 2024 will ensure that PSATS can continue offering its members the outstanding services they expect and deserve at an affordable cost.

This proposal will be considered by the voting delegates at the general session on Tuesday, April 25, 2023. We are providing this notice to comply with the notification requirements in Article X, Section 2 of the PSATS Bylaws. This language will also be printed in the conference program.

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Please note that each dues-paying member township is entitled to one voting delegate at the annual conference to vote on PSATS board members and officers, proposed bylaw changes, and proposed PSATS resolutions. In addition, each county association is entitled to one voting delegate per 10 townships or a portion thereof, with a minimum of two voting delegates. **Please provide this notice to your township’s voting delegate.**

The proposed PSATS resolutions will be provided to you next week so that members may review and share them with your voting delegate in advance of the voting at the general session on Tuesday, April 25, 2023.

If you have any questions about the proposed bylaw change, please contact the Association at (717) 763-0930. See you in Hershey!

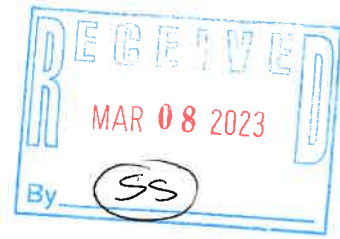
Article X
Dues

SECTION 1. The dues assessed against member townships shall be as follows:

<u>Township Population</u>	<u>Current Dues</u>	<u>2024 Proposed Dues</u>
1-250	\$93.00	<u>95.00</u>
251-1,000	\$295.00	<u>\$303.00</u>
1,001-2,500	\$540.00	<u>\$556.00</u>
2,501-5,000	\$870.00	<u>\$896.00</u>
5,001-7,500	\$1,207.00	<u>\$1,243.00</u>
7,501-10,000	\$1,478.00	<u>\$1,522.00</u>
10,001-12,500	\$1,739.00	<u>\$1,791.00</u>
12,501-15,000	\$2,013.00	<u>\$2,073.00</u>
15,001-20,000	\$2,209.00	<u>\$2,275.00</u>
20,001 & over	\$2,414.00	<u>\$2,486.00</u>

SECTION 2. Whenever it is deemed necessary to amend the dues structure as provided in Section 1, the Association shall mail an explanation of the proposed change to all member townships not less than 45 days prior to the Annual Conference.

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Shahana Shamim
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Milford, PA 18337-0366

February 20, 2023

Dear Shahana,

Thank you for the opportunity to continue to serve you in 2023! Your township's continued membership in PSATS is as important to me as it is valuable to all of you.

Our educational programs are geared to provide you with the best practices and most up to date information to better serve your residents. Our annual conference continues to add value with networking opportunities, great speakers and exhibit show demonstrations to help you save money! The member discounts on training (especially our webinar powerpass) and publications save money for your township and your taxpayers.

Enclosed you will find the 2023 date strip that will adhere to your PSATS membership plaque that I hope you proudly display. Please share this letter with members of your board.

I am always interested in hearing your thoughts or ideas on how we can better serve you. Please don't hesitate to call, email to dsanko@psats.org or drop me a note in the mail. And remember, we are only a phone call or an email away. I am proud of our staff and their commitment to help you better serve the residents of Milford Township, Pike County!

Sincerely,

David M. Sanko
Executive Director

Enclosure

