

MINUTES OF THE POTTSTOWN METROPOLITAN
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE
MAY 24, 2017
(Approved June 28, 2017)

The Pottstown Metropolitan Regional Planning Committee held their monthly meeting on May 24, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Attending were: Douglass Township- Ed Reitz, Peter Hiryak
East Coventry Township- Not represented
Lower Pottsgrove Township – Ray Lopez
North Coventry Township – Bill Soumis
New Hanover Township – Kurt Zebrowski
Pottstown Borough – Ryan Procsal
Upper Pottsgrove Township –Gregory Churach, Elwood Taylor
West Pottsgrove Township – Dominic Gentile
Montgomery County Planning Commission – Donna Fabry, John Cover
Recording Secretary – Bonnie L. Frisco

1. Meeting Called to Order

Mr. Zebrowski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Mr. Zebrowski did a roll call and all except for East Coventry Township were represented.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

4. Review of April Meeting Minutes

Mr. Gentile moved to approve the April 26, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Reitz seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Treasurer's Report

Mr. Soumis moved to approve the May Treasurer's Report. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. PECO Smart Ideas Incentive Solutions – Jose Aguirre, Program Manager

Jose Aguirre of PECO was present to provide information regarding the PECO Smart Ideas Incentive Solutions. Mr. Aguirre discussed programs offering incentives for energy efficiencies. PECO also offers energy efficiency incentives for commercial projects and has worked with various government agencies.

7. 2016 Median House Price Survey Report

Ms. Fabry provided an overview of the 2016 Median House Price Survey Report. Ms. Fabry will supply the additional numbers to Committee members as requested.

8. Mini-Grant Update

Ms. Fabry noted that the first round of grants has been closed out and recommendations have been submitted to the DCNR for the second round of grants.

9. Circuit Rider/Recreation Committee Update

Ms. Fabry noted that the main agenda item for the Recreation Committee meeting was the meeting with State representatives regarding the Commonwealth Finance Agency grants. The final draft of the tri-county trails report is available and Ms. Fabry will forward to the communities.

10. Summer Meeting Schedule

The Committee agreed to cancel the August meeting and meet in June and July.

11. Municipal Updates

Douglass Township

Mr. Reitz noted there is nothing new to report for Douglass Township.

East Coventry Township

No representative was present.

Lower Pottsgrove Township

Mr. Lopez noted there is nothing new to report for Lower Pottsgrove Township.

New Hanover Township

Mr. Zebrowski noted there is nothing new to report for New Hanover Township other than the age restricted community proposal received.

North Coventry Township

Mr. Soumis noted that North Coventry's proposed sign ordinance received minimal comment from the County.

Pottstown Borough

Mr. Procsal noted that the shirt factory has a prospective buyer.

Upper Pottsgrove Township

Mr. Taylor noted there is nothing new to report for Upper Pottsgrove Township.

West Pottsgrove Township

Mr. Gentile noted there is nothing new to report for West Pottsgrove Township.

12. School District Updates

Boyertown Area

No one was present.

Owen J. Roberts

No one was present.

Pottsgrove

No one was present.

Pottstown

No one was present.

13. MCPC Update

No new report.

14. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

15. Adjournment

Mr. Reitz moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Mr. Procsal seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bonnie L. Frisco".

Bonnie L. Frisco
Recording Secretary