

MINUTES OF THE POTTSTOWN METROPOLITAN
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE
MEETING OF JUNE 24, 2015

The Pottstown Metropolitan Regional Planning Committee held their monthly meeting on June 24, 2015. Attending the meeting were Ed Reitz, Douglass Township; Walter Woessner, East Coventry Township; Ryan Procsal, Pottstown Borough; Bill Soumis, North Coventry Township; Kurt Zebrowski, New Hanover Township; Charlie Valentine, West Pottsgrove Township; and Tom Troutman, Lower Pottsgrove Township.

John Cover – Montgomery County Planning Commission

Bonnie L. Frisco – Recording Secretary

1. Welcome and 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 municipalities were represented except for Upper Pottsgrove Township.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

4. Review of May Meeting Minutes

Mr. Troutman moved to approve the May 27, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Woessner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Treasurer's Report

Mr. Reitz moved to approve the June Treasurer's Report. Mr. Troutman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. TIP Project Overview – Matt Edmond, Section Chief, MCPC Transportation Planning

Matt Edmond of MCPC was present and provided the TIP Project Overview. A spreadsheet of projected improvement projects was provided.

7. Letter of Support Request – North Coventry's Hanover Meadows Park, Phase I

Mr. Troutman moved to endorse the application to seek funding for North Coventry's Hanover Meadows Park, Phase I project. Mr. Woessner seconded the motion. A roll call was taken and there were seven ayes, making the vote unanimous.

8. Discussion regarding Cancellation of July or August PMRPC Meeting

Cancellation of the July and/or August meetings will be at the discretion of the Chairman. It was requested that MCPC be notified if any items of importance need to be discussed.

9. New Signers for Checking Account

Bill Soumis and Tom Troutman have volunteered to be the new signers on the checking account and they will arrange a time to meet at the bank to do the paperwork.

10. Regional Comprehensive Plan Adoption Update

North Coventry comments regarding the Comprehensive plan were discussed and once the plan is adopted North Coventry's comments may be addressed by amending the plan.

11. Circuit Rider

Dave Kraybill was present and noted the parks competition taking place and also noted the draft community recreation schedule prepared by Justin Keller.

12. Mini-Grant Update

Mr. Kraybill noted that DCNR will be in Pottstown tomorrow to announce the new 5-year plan.

13. Multi-Regional Greenway and Stewardship Study

Bill Soumis and Tom Troutman volunteered to be on the Multi-Regional Greenway and Stewardship Study oversight committee.

14. Municipal Updates

Douglass Township

Mr. Reitz noted that Wawa is scheduled to open in August and noted that the Turkey Hill traffic study is not complete yet.

East Coventry Township

Mr. Woessner noted that there is nothing new to report for East Coventry Township.

Lower Pottsgrove Township

Mr. Troutman noted Spring Valley Farms will submit plans for review at the Planning Commission July meeting.

New Hanover Township

Mr. Zebrowski noted concerns of a Douglass Township supervisor regarding traffic issues on Swamp Pike that could be caused by the old Airport property project.

North Coventry Township

Mr. Soumis noted the building is being demolished where the new CVS store is proposed.

Pottstown Borough

Mr. Procsal noted that 4th of July preparations are underway.

Upper Pottsgrove Township

There was no one present.

West Pottsgrove Township

Mr. Valentine noted that PennDot is working with the traffic engineers regarding the intersection at High Street and Grosstown Road.

15. 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.

16. MCPC Update

17. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

18. Adjournment

Mr. Reitz moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. Mr. Troutman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie L. Frisco
Recording Secretary