

**MINUTES OF THE POTTSTOWN METROPOLITAN
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE**

February 25, 2026
(Approved March 25, 2026)

The Pottstown Metropolitan Regional Planning Committee (PMRPC) held a meeting via teleconference and in-person at Pottstown Borough Hall on February 25, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

Attendees: Douglass Township- Joe Richardson, Don Bergstresser
East Coventry Township- Meaghan Wright
Lower Pottsgrove Township – Jim Hutchinson, Tom Troutman
North Coventry Township – Bill Soumis
New Hanover Township – Kurt Zebrowski, Keith Youse
Pottstown Borough – Ryan Procsal
Upper Pottsgrove Township – Wayne Weaver, Dave Waldt
West Pottsgrove Township – Daniel Price

Montgomery County Planning Commission – Marley Bice
Recording Secretary – Bonnie L. Frisco

Visitor(s): Chris Patriarca, Chester County Planning Commission; Tom Troutman, Doug Slick

1. **Meeting Called to Order:** Mr. Zebrowski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mr. Zebrowski led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll Call:** Mr. Zebrowski did a roll call, and all municipalities were represented.
4. **Review of the January 2026 Meeting Minutes**
Mr. Hutchinson moved to approve the January 28, 2026 meeting minutes as presented. Ms. Wright seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
5. **Review of the Treasurer’s Report**
Mr. Soumis moved to approve the February 2026 Treasurer’s Reports as presented. Mr. Youse seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
6. **Public Comment:** No public comment
7. **Review: Draft 2025 PMRPC Annual Report**
Ms. Bice provided an overview of the draft 2025 PMRPC Annual Report.

Mr. Soumis moved to authorize distribution of the 2025 PMRPC Annual Report to the mailing list provided. Mr. Weaver seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
8. **Regional Comprehensive Plan Draft Complete**
Ms. Bice provide an overview of the compiled list of comments received as a result of review of the Regional Comprehensive Plan draft. Various comments were noted to include East Coventry Township mapping and New Hanover’s Economic Development matters. Ms. Bice noted that comments have not been received by all municipalities yet. It was agreed to address the

authorization to start the 45-day public comment period at next month's PMRPC meeting so that all comments may be addressed.

9. New Business

a. Development of Regional Impact 26-02

994 Commerce Drive – Upper Pottsgrove Township – proposal to develop 314 apartments in four, four-story building, on a 21.1-acre tract on Commerce Drive

The concern noted, at this time, was traffic issues. It was suggested a merged traffic study be completed to address the area as a whole to include other proposed developments. Ms. Bice will contact the DVRPC to discuss a draft scope of work for the traffic study.

10. Municipal Updates

Douglass Township

Mr. Richardson noted Douglass Township's plans to obtain a property for open space and it was suggested the PMRPC provide a letter of support.

East Coventry Township

Ms. Wright noted there is nothing additional to report for East Coventry Township.

Lower Pottsgrove Township

Mr. Hutchinson noted there is nothing additional to report for Lower Pottsgrove Township.

New Hanover Township

Mr. Zebrowski noted there is nothing additional to report for New Hanover Township.

North Coventry Township

Mr. Soumis noted there is nothing additional to report for North Coventry Township.

Pottstown Borough

Mr. Procsal noted that the church that had the fire is proposed to be turned into six townhouses.

Upper Pottsgrove Township

Mr. Weaver noted there is nothing additional to report for Upper Pottsgrove Township.

West Pottsgrove Township

Mr. Price noted there is nothing additional to report for West Pottsgrove Township.

11. School District Updates: No representatives present

12. MCPC Update: Ms. Bice noted the following MCPC updates.

- a. Montco2040 Implementation Grant Program – 2026 Grant Cycle Open –Applications due March 2, 2026: <https://www.montgomerycountypa.gov/2453/Montco-2040-Implementation-Grant-Program>

- b. Schuylkill River Passenger Rail Authority – 2026 Meeting Schedule (October 26, 2026 meeting will be in-person in Pottstown): <https://gosrpra.com/meetings/>
- c. Montco 2050 was discussed and it was noted that priority projects are to be identified and the focus will to review various intersections in the municipality.
- d. Ms. Bice noted that she has had several conversations and is moving forward with an application to DCNR for grant funding to continue to regional recreation mini-grant program.
- e. Ms. Bice reviewed a map showing the draft transportation priority projects in the Pottstown Region for the Montco 2050 county comprehensive plan update.

13. Adjournment

Ms. Wright moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m. Mr. Weaver seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Bonnie L. Frisco
Recording Secretary