

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

JULY 22, 2026

(Approved September 23, 2026)

The Pottstown Metropolitan Regional Planning Committee (PMRPC) held a meeting via teleconference and in-person at Pottstown Borough Hall on July 22, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

Attendees: Douglass Township- Not represented
East Coventry Township- Meaghan Wright, Larry Tietjen
Lower Pottsgrove Township –Tom Troutman
North Coventry Township – Suzanne Sagona
New Hanover Township – Kurt Zebrowski, Keith Youse
Pottstown Borough – Ryan Procsal
Upper Pottsgrove Township –Wayne Weaver
West Pottsgrove Township – Daniel Price

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

Visitor(s): Doug Slick, Peggy Lee-Clark, Thomas Platts, Chris Patriarca

1. **Meeting Called to Order:** Mr. Zebrowski called the meeting to order at 7:15 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 except for Douglass Township.
4. **Review of the June 24, 2026, Meeting Minutes**
Ms. Wright moved to approve the June 24, 2026, meeting minutes as presented. Mr. Weaver seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
5. **Review of the Treasurer's Report**
Ms. Wright moved to approve the July 2026 Treasurer's Report as presented. Mr. Price seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
6. **Public Comment:** No public comment
7. **New Business**
Development of Regional Impact 26-03
Romig Land Development – Lower Pottsgrove Township – proposal to develop 67 single-family detached units on a 54.7-acre tract with access from Romig Road.

There was discussion regarding the Romig Land Development plan and traffic, stormwater, retaining wall and access issues were discussed along with the impact the development will have on New Hanover Township's roads.

Mr. Youse moved to send a letter to Lower Pottsgrove Township to include the Committee's comments and concerns regarding the Romig Land Development project. Ms. Wright seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Development of Regional Impact 26-04

Avante Apartments – Douglass Township – proposal to develop 68 new apartment units in 6 buildings as an expansion of an existing apartment development on Gilbertsville Road.

There was discussion regarding the Avante Apartments and there was concern regarding the proposed stormwater plans and the effect it may have on Minister Creek.

Ms. Sagona moved to send a letter to Douglass Township to include the Committee's comments and concerns regarding the Avante Apartments proposed project. Ms. Wright seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Grant Support Letter Request

DCED/CFA Multimodal Transportation Fund – New Hanover Township – grant application for improvements to Swamp Pike from just west of New Hanover Square Road to just east of Wagner Road, including modifications to each of the two intersections.

Mr. Weaver moved to send a letter of support for the DCED/CFA Multimodal Transportation Fund grant. Mr. Procsal seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance Review 26-03: East Coventry Township – Miscellaneous Zoning Amendments

Mr. Weaver moved that East Coventry Township's Miscellaneous Zoning Amendments are generally consistent with the Pottstown Metropolitan Regional Comprehensive Plan. Ms. Sagona seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Informational Update on the "Specht Tract" Townhome Development in North Coventry Township

A preliminary plan was submitted for the Specht Tract Townhome Development in North Coventry Township. Ms. Bice provided an overview of the plan. Mr. Zebrowski noted off-street parking concerns.

9. Municipal Updates

Douglass Township

No representatives present

East Coventry Township

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

Lower Pottsgrove Township

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

New Hanover Township

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

North Coventry Township

Ms. Sagona noted that there is nothing additional to report for North Coventry Township.

Pottstown Borough

Mr. Procsal noted that Colebrookdale Railroad received Federal grant monies.

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.

10. School District Updates: No representatives present

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

- a. *Regional Comprehensive Plan Update* – plan adoption in hold pending any revisions needed based on RPC membership changes
- b. *Regional Planning Retreat* – networking dinner and visioning retreat planned for September 23rd
- c. FY26 DVRPC Planning Project – *Next Stop: Pottstown* – draft final memo expected in August
- d. FY27 DVRPC Planning Project – *Route 100 & Upland Square Drive* – final scope of work provided; project should kickoff soon
- e. Amtrak has formally signed a memorandum of understanding with the *Schuylkill River Passenger Rail Authority*
- f. *The Montgomery County Farmer's Gathering* will be held August 16th at Fun-E-Farm Too in Gilbertsville

12. Adjournment

Ms. Wright moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m. Mr. Youse seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Bonnie L. Frisco
Recording Secretary