

MINUTES
CAMBRIA COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
COMBINED MEETING OF THE TECHNICAL AND COORDINATING
COMMITTEES
October 31, 2023

A meeting of the Cambria County Metropolitan Planning Organization Technical and Coordinating Committees was held on Tuesday, October 31, 2023 at 1:30 PM. The meeting was held via Zoom.

Coordinating Committee

Vince Greenland	PennDOT District 9-0	(A) Tom Prestash
Rose Lucey-Noll	Cambria County Transit Auth.	(A)
Dean Roberts	Program Center Director, PennDOT	(A) Larry Shifflet
William Smith	Cambria County Commissioner	(A)
Ron Rovanseck	Cambria County Planning Comm.	(P)
Ethan Imhoff	Manager, City of Johnstown	(P)
John Dubnansky	Johnstown Comm. & Econ. Dev.	(A)
Jacob Zerby	Cambria County Planning Comm.	(P)
Cory Cree	Johnstown/ Cambria County Airport Authority	(P)
Debra Orner	Regional Transportation Comm. President and CEO, Regional COC	(A) Amy Bradley
Doug Tusing	Borough Representative: North	(P)
Paul Pioli	Township Representative: South	(P)

Technical Committee

Anne Stich	PennDOT District 9-0	(P) Vince Greenland
Shanna Murphy Sosko	Cambria County Planning Comm.	(A) Chris Allison
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Dean Roberts (Via video)	PennDOT Program Center	(P)
John Dubnansky	Johnstown Comm. and Econ. Dev.	(A)
Jacob Zerby	Cambria County Planning Comm.	(P)
Clifford Kitner	Cambria County Conservation And Recreation Authority	(P)
Cory Cree	Johnstown/ Cambria County Airport Authority	(P)
Kimberly Morley	Cambria County Transit Auth.	(A)
Dr. Robert Callahan	Borough Representative South	(P)
Open Position	Township Representative North	-

Non-Voting Members

Eugene Porochniak	Federal Highway Admin.	(A)
Chelsea Beytas	Federal Transit Admin.	(A)
Lori Pagnanellik	Federal Aviation Admin.	(A)
Gregory Becoat	U.S. Environmental Prot. Ag.	(A)
William Costello	U.S. Dept. of HUD	(A)

Wick Havens	PA Dept. of Environmental Prot.	(A)
William Lundquist	PA Bureau of Rail Freight, Ports and Waterways	(A)

Guests

Cristy Shumac	PennDOT District 9-0
Brian Funkhouser	Michael Baker International
Thomas Chernisky	Cambria County Commissioner
Vanessa Shamberg	FHWA
Ernie Casino	PennDOT

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vince Greenland. Mr. Zerby polled the members present.

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

ACTION ITEMS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE COMBINED MPO TECHNICAL AND COORDINATING COMMITTEES MEETING OF AUGUST 29, 2023

The committee members reviewed the meeting minutes of August 29, 2023.

Dr. Callahan made a motion that the minutes be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roberts, and passed unanimously.

AMENDMENT VOTE MPMS 96482 PA 56 – WIDMAN TO WALTERS AVE CONSTRUCTION INCREASE

Anne Stich, PennDOT District 9-0, presented the proposed increase in funding for Walters Ave. Project.

Mr. Imhoff made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smith and passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE SUBMISSION OF 2025 TSMO APPLICATION

Ernie Casino of PennDOT District 9 -0, presented the submission of the 2025 TSMO application. The proposed project for the application was a dynamic message sign that PennDot would own and maintain.

Mr. Tusing made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pioli and passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Anne Stich of PennDOT District 9-0 presented the August 2023 Redistribution. No vote was required and no further discussion was had.

Vince Greenland of PennDOT District 9-0 presented the 2024 draft TIP. The final draft will be included on the next meeting's agenda for approval. No vote was required at this meeting and no further discussion was had.

Vince Greenland of PennDOT District 9-0 provided an update on the Maple Ave. Bridge in northern Cambria. The bridge closed due to structural issues. This closer presents an issue accessing the Northern Cambria School District's football field. PennDot worked with Northern Cambria so that the Bridge could be used as a pedestrian bridge. The bridge will be replaced by August 2024. No vote was required and no further discussion had.

Brian Funkhouser of Michael Baker International provided a brief update on the LRTP update. Stakeholder interviews are well underway. There will be an upcoming Steering committee meeting and the public survey is currently active. No vote was required and no further discussion was had

REMAINING 2023 MEETINGS:

Jacob Zerby of the Cambria County Planning Commission reminded the members that there will be an additional CCMPO meeting Held on December 19, 2023 and meeting invites will be sent out soon.

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OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Jacob Zerby of the Cambria County Planning Commission presented a list of proposed dates for the 2024 CCMPO meeting schedule. Mr. Zerby asked the members to review their calendars and inform him if there are any major conflicts.