

Adams County Transportation Planning Organization (ACTPO)
Minutes for the Committee Meeting on October 23, 2024

Attendance:

Voting Members

Name	Organization/Municipality	Present
Adams County Boroughs Association		
David Laughman, Chair	Arendtsville	X
Nina Tipler	York Springs	X
Judie Butterfield	Gettysburg Borough	X
Adams County Association of Townships Officials		
Louann Boyer, Vice-Chair	Conewago Township	X
Darrin Catts	Oxford Township	X
Scott Small	Conewago Township	X
Adams County Commissioners		
Jim Martin		X
Adams County Planning Commission		
Skip Strayer		X
Susquehanna Regional Transportation Authority		
Beth Nidam		X
Gettysburg-Adams County Area Chamber of Commerce		
Carrie Stuart		X
Adams County Economic Alliance		
Robin Fitzpatrick		X
PennDOT Central Office		
Casey Markey		X
PennDOT District 8-0		
Kevin Keefe		X

Alternate Voting Members

Name	Organization/Municipality	Present
Boroughs Association		
Vacant	--	
Townships Association		
Vacant	--	
Adams County Commissioners		
Vacant	--	
Adams County Planning Commission		
John Lerew		
Susquehanna Regional Transportation Authority		
Rich Farr		
Gettysburg-Adams County Area Chamber of Commerce		
Isaac Bucher		
Adams County Economic Alliance		
Vacant		
PennDOT Central Office		
Ray Green		
Ted Sheehe		X
PennDOT District 8-0		
Rich Reisinger		X
Carey Mullins		

Sarah McHugh	X
Emily Osilka	

State Legislative Representatives

Name/Organization	Present
Senate District 33	
Sen. Douglas Mastriano	
Melissa Cruys	
District 91	
Rep. Dan Moul	
Chris Kimple	
District 193	
Rep. Torren Ecker	
Catherine Wallen	

Federal Legislative Representatives and Agencies

Name/Organization	Present
PA 13th Congressional District	
Congressman John Joyce	
Melissa Bull	
Federal Highway Administration	
Ronique Bishop	
National Park Service / Gettysburg National Military Park	
Kristina Heister	
Zach Bolitho	

Adams County Office of Planning and Development

Name	Present
Andrew Merkel	X
Sherri Clayton-Williams	X
Aaron Ebner	X

Other Attendees

Name	Organization/Municipality	Present
Casey Bottiger	Michael Baker Int'l	X
Tom Jolin	HABPI Friend	X
Harlan Lawson	GMS	X
Jack Ketterman	Germany Township	X
Tom Danner	Berwick Township	X
David Blocher	Cumberland Township	X
William D. Cameron	Adams County Bridge Eng.	X
Logan Swartz	CS Davidson	X
Bonnie Little	Conewago School District	X
David Juba	SRTA	X
Sarah Messer	Hanover Chamber of Commerce	X
Christine Demas	Mt. Joy Township	X

Media

Name	Organization	Present
Vanessa Sanders	Gettysburg Times	
Harrison Jones	Hanover Evening Sun	

1. Introductory Comments

Mr. Laughman called the meeting to order at 1:00pm. Mr. Laughman introduced a new prompt for following meetings dedicated towards the introduction of new technology used in projects.

2. Approval of Minutes: June 26, 2024

Mr. Martin made a motion to approve the June 26, 2024 ACTPO meeting minutes. Ms. Fitzpatrick seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

3. Staff Updates – ACOPD

- a. Mr. Merkel reported on Developments of Significance being proposed in the county. In the previous meeting Mr. Merkel stated there was no submissions, he corrected himself stating that 9 projects were submitted in the Third and Fourth Quarter, 7 of the 9 being resubmissions.
- b. Mr. Merkel attended the following HOP, traffic study, and project meetings. Additional discussion followed on the various meetings.
 - SRTP/PA Commuter Services
 - Board Meetings (July, September)
 - Regional CMP Workshop (August)
 - PennDOT Meetings
 - PennDOT Statewide Planning Partners Meeting (September)
 - Bi-Monthly Planning Partners Call (July)
 - PennDOT UPWP Guidance Workshop (July)
 - Community Organizations
 - @Home in Adams County Transportation Working Group (July, August, September, October)
 - PennDOT TIS Scoping Meetings
 - White Run Terrace (Mount Joy)
 - Oak Lawn/Musket Ridge/Shaw Property (Cumberland Township)
 - Project Meetings
 - Route 94 Corridor Study Advisory Committee Meeting (July, October)
 - Route 94 Corridor Study Management Meeting (July, August, September, October)
 - Route 94 Corridor Study Stakeholder Meetings (July)
 - SR 234/Stoney Point Road & SR 234/Peepytown Road ICE Meeting (August)
 - North Gettysburg Trail, Phase 1 Maintenance Meeting (October)
- c. Mr. Cameron provided an update on local bridge inspection activity. He noted that the 2024 interim inspections are almost complete as 3 inspections remain. He also noted that ACT 21 labeled 8 bridges as poor condition, and that 6 of those bridges are being addressed.
- d. Mr. Merkel provided an End of Calendar Year 2023 Performance Measures Annual Report for Bridges and Pavement. He also addressed the 2023 Pennsylvania highway statistics publication.

4. Transit Updates

- a. Ms. Newcomer provided the following September updates on behalf of Commute PA:
 - 7,891 Green Trips Reported
 - 2nd Annual Walk, Bike, Bus Gettysburg with @Home (107 Trips)
 - September was Car-Free Month
 - Rode the Gettysburg – Hanover bus route with students from the Gettysburg College
- b. Mr. Juba provided the following updates on behalf of SRTA:
 - TAM performance updates
 - Rolling Stock Performance Targets reduced from 23% to 7%.
 - Equipment percentage increased from 18% to 26%.
 - Facility percentage remained the same at 13%.
- c. Mr. Merkel and Ms. Fitzpatrick provided the following updates on behalf of @Home in Adams County:
 - Mr. Merkel presented that @Home has begun narrowing down the list of project ideas.
 - Primarily focused on education and outreach (Finalized in Spring)
 - A project that focuses on infrastructure. (Unknown Date)
 - Ms. Fitzpatrick spoke on @Home's collaboration effort. She applauded the diversity in viewpoints presented through the program.

5. Herrs Ridge Road Bridge

Mr. Lawson provided an update on the condition of Herrs Ridge Road Bridge in Cumberland Twp. He mentioned that Cumberland Township regularly inspects their bridges and found that Herrs Ridge Road Bridge was rated poor. Cumberland Twp planned to submit a \$1,750,886 request for funding through PennDOT's Multimodal Transportation Fund (MTF). The cost of the project is projected to be around \$1,400,000. Mr. Merkel provides further information regarding the types of transportation funding that could contribute to future projects.

6. Cross Keys Corridor Study Updates

Ms. Bottiger provided an update on the Cross Keys Corridor Study. She noted that monthly meetings were being held and 2 advisory meetings with municipality staff. She also addressed that a list of study recommendations has been gathered with a multitude of mitigation strategies provided for each recommendation. The following study recommendations consist of:

- PA 94 & Green Ridge Road, 700 Road, Cedar Road
- PA 94 & Berlin Road/Pine Run Road
- PA 94 & Sheetz/McDonald's/Burger King Access
- PA 94 & US 30 (Primary Focus)
- PA 94 & Village/Enterprise Drive
- PA 94 & Adams Avenue/Little Avenue
- PA 94 & Red Hill Road
- PA 94 & Tropical Treat Traffic Flow
- PA 94 & Municipal Road
- PA 94 & Appler Road/Green Springs Road
- PA 94 & Hanover Street
- US 30 & Lincoln Street

- US 30 & Stanley Drive

Ms. Bottiger also noted some corridor wide recommendations for PA 94 and US 30 which have been referenced in the meeting packet.

7. 2024-2025 UPWP Amendment – Adams County, PennDOT

Mr. Merkel provided an update on the 2024-2025 UPWP Amendment. He noted that the Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS) has been removed. Mr. Martin made a motion to remove the HPMS from the UPWP. Mr. Strayer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

8. 2025-2028 TIP – PennDOT

Ms. McHugh provided an update on the 2025-2028 TIP. The following categories were discussed:

- August Redistribution
 - Highway Reserve
 - Reserve line item utilized as a balancing source to maintain fiscal constraint.
 - US 15 Preservation Northbound
 - Advancing and converting, funds returned to reserve line item.
- Administrative Actions
 - US 15 Preservation Northbound
 - Decreasing construction phase in the 2025 and 2026 Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) for a total of \$3,126,590 due to receiving funds from the August Redistribution.
 - Other projects were provided on the meeting packet.

Mr. Merkel provided a copy of the 2025-2028 Pennsylvania STIP Approval Letter in the meeting packet. The letter discussed corrective actions, recommendations, and commendations created by the FTA and FHWA.

9. PennDOT Comments

Ms. McHugh provided an update on transportation projects taking place in Adams County.

- In Design:
 - Eisenhower Drive Extension
 - Stoney Point Road
 - Peepytown Road
 - US 15 TSMO Devices
- Construction Updates:
 - US 15 Preservation Northbound
 - Littlestown Resurfacing (Completed)
 - PA 116 over Trib. Marsh Creek
 - Wierman Mill Bridge
 - PA 116/Trib. Willoughby Run (Completed)

10. FHWA Comments

A copy of comments from FHWA were distributed in the meeting packet.

11. Public Comments

Mr. Danner provided concern over a variety of topics concerning Berwick Township. He noted that he appreciated the PA 94 & US 30 intersection being prioritized and addressed his concern about the Hanover St and Brickyard St intersections with PA 94. He also asked what the next steps would be in the approval process, Mr. Merkel mentioned that the next step moving forward is to take consideration when forming the next TIP.

12. Member Comments

Ms. Butterfield mentioned that N. Washington St from Chambersburg St to Constitution Ave will be closing for the time being. She also mentioned that with @Home "Attainable Housing" doesn't always relate to Low-Income Housing but relates to a variety of housing types to address a wide margin of issues.

13. Next Meeting, Time and Place

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 22nd, 2025, at 1:00 pm. A back-up date was set in the chance there is a snow day, this date was set to Wednesday, January 29th, 2025. The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 pm.

Approved