

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE  
COUNTY OF BERKS**

February 27, 2018

Glenn Yeager called the meeting of the Board of the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Berks to order at 4:34 p.m. on February 27, 2018 in the Neversink Room, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor, Berks County Services Center, 633 Court Street, Reading, Pennsylvania.

The following Board members were present for the meeting:

Glenn Yeager, Chairman  
Theodore Bassano, Treasurer  
Barry Rohrbach, Secretary  
Pellegrino Orlando, Assistant Secretary/ Assistant Treasurer

Ms. Kastura was absent. Chairman Yeager declared a quorum of Board members present.

Also in attendance were:

Kenneth L. Pick, Executive Director  
Kathy Miller, Fiscal Officer  
Kathy Heckman, Executive Assistant  
Tom Dachowski, Housing Director  
Joan E. London, Kozloff Stoudt, Solicitor  
Pamela J. Cala, Kozloff Stoudt, Solicitor (present by phone)

Upon motion of Glenn Yeager, second by Theodore Bassano, the Minutes of the meeting of December 21, 2017 were approved by unanimous vote of members present.

Upon motion of Glenn Yeager, second by Barry Rohrbach, the Minutes of the meeting of January 23, 2018 were approved 3-0. Theodore Bassano abstained from the vote, as he had not been present at the meeting of January 23.

Theodore Bassano presented the Treasurer's Report for the period ending January 31, 2018, which included a Profit & Loss Statement and Balance Sheet, copies of

which are attached to these Minutes. Mr. Bassano reminded the Board that there are adjustments from 2017 which will be reflected in the February 2018 statements which will be presented at the March meeting. Upon motion by Glenn Yeager, second by Theodore Bassano, all Board members present voted to accept the Financial Report.

Theodore Bassano then presented the list of checks (attached) totaling \$267,711.05 for approval through February 26, 2018. Upon motion made by Chairman Yeager, second by Theodore Bassano, all Board members present voted to approve the payment of said invoices.

Ken Pick reported that there were no "Communications" or Committee Reports to present.

At 4:45 p.m., the Board recessed into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. The Board came back into the regular meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Kathy Heckman reported on the Next Step Program and Rentals. Ms. Heckman informed the Board that two (2) new contracts providing for rental assistance are being presented to the Board for signature, and that there will be two (2) new tenants in Next Step housing beginning March 1, 2018. There are currently eleven (11) active contracts. There are no new rental properties at this time.

Ken Pick reported on the Colebrookdale Railroad, and advised that the brick walkways and curbing were nearly completed, and awaiting final inspection from PennDOT. Mr. Pick further reported that Nathaniel Guest has submitted an application to the Redevelopment Capital Assistance Program for a \$2.4 million grant for the

Boyertown Station. Mr. Pick, finally, reported that the Pottstown Station is being redesigned to fit within the property lines of the Colebrookdale Railroad property.

Ken Pick reported that there was nothing new to report on Armorcast.

Tom Dachowski's report on the Housing Programs was deferred to the Berks County NonProfit Development Corporation meeting to take place immediately after this meeting.

Tom Dachowski reported for the Blighted Property Review Committee that the structure on the property at 115 Grove Road in Maiden creek Township had been demolished as authorized.

Under New Business, Ken Pick presented Resolution #2018-02 for the sale of the property at 115 Grove Road to Habitat for Humanity for the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), plus closing costs, which will construct a home for a Habitat client. A motion to adopt the Resolution was made by Theodore Bassano, with second by Pellegrino Orlando, and was adopted unanimously.

On motion to adjourn by Theodore Bassano, second by Glenn Yeager, and approved unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

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Barry Rohrbach, Secretary