

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

**July 28, 2009**

Chair Glenn Yeager called the meeting of the Board of the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Berks to order at 4:30 P.M. on July 28, 2009, in the Neversink Room, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor of the County Services Center, 633 Court Street, Reading, Pennsylvania.

The following Board members were present:

Glenn Yeager, Chair  
Eileen Kastura, Vice Chair  
Barry Rohrbach, Secretary  
Shirley Ludwig, Treasurer  
Pellegrino Orlando, Asst. Treasurer

The Chairman declared a quorum of Board members present.

Also in attendance were:

Pamela J. Cala, Esquire of Kozloff Stoudt, Solicitor  
Kenneth Pick, Executive Director  
David Hummel, Housing & Community Development Specialist  
Kathy Heckman, Office Support

Upon motion made by Eileen Kastura and seconded by Shirley Ludwig, all members of the Board present, excluding Barry Rohrbach who abstained, voted to approve the June 23, 2009 minutes of the Board of this Authority.

Kenneth Pick presented the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending June 30, 2009. A copy of this Report is attached to these Minutes. Upon motion by Eileen Kastura, seconded by Glenn Yeager, all Board members present voted to approve the said Financial Report.

Kenneth Pick then reviewed with the Board the invoices for payments to creditors for the period through July 28, 2009. A motion was made by Barry Rohrbach and seconded by Glenn

Yeager that the invoices stated in said report be approved for payment. Upon roll call vote, all Board members present voted in the affirmative.

Mr. David Hummel stated that he had no activities report for the ADD Program.

David Hummel then presented an update on the Hamburg Redevelopment Area (also known as the Second Street Redevelopment Area). He informed the Board that a temporary Highway Occupancy Permit (“HOP”) was obtained for the commencement of construction of the emergency entrance onto State Route #61 from Grand Street and that the approval of the final HOP was in process..

Mr. Pick then presented a brief report on the Penn Avenue Redevelopment Area. He reported to the Board that he attended the grand opening of the new Candlewood Suites on July 9, 2009. He also stated that the TIF loan was capped at \$1,300,000.00 and that the new assessment for the property has been established and invoices for the TIF revenue will be sent to the three (3) taxing bodies.

Kenneth Pick reported to the Board that the Borough of Fleetwood is preparing to commence the work to widen Foundry Alley as part of the planned improvements for the Fleetwood Redevelopment Area (also known as the Tannery Redevelopment Area).

Ken Pick then gave a progress report on the Armorcast Redevelopment Area located partially in the Borough of Birdsboro and partially in the Township of Union. Mr. Pick informed this Board that he completed his review of the top three (3) proposals for the Phase I and Phase II Environmental Assessments for the former Armorcast site. Mr. Pick advised the Board that Environmental Standards was chosen and engaged by the Authority to perform such work. Upon motion made by Glenn Yeager, seconded by Barry Rohrbach, all Board members present voted to ratify the acceptance of the written proposal of Environmental Standards and the

execution of a contract for a Phase I and Phase II Environmental Assessment to be performed by such company.

Kenneth Pick then gave a brief report to the Board on the Borough of Sinking Spring Redevelopment Area. Mr. Pick informed the Board that the first meeting of the newly created TIF committee occurred and the School District has requested additional date and information to consider in determining its level of participation in the TIF.

Mr. Pick then updated the Board on the status of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 and informed the Board that the City of Reading has applied for funds under this Program and included a request for demolition monies for use by this Authority.

Mr. Pick presented to the Board the renewal applications for general liability insurance coverage, directors and officers' insurance coverage and crime insurance coverage for the Authority. He remarked that the premium for such insurance coverage had been reduced without any elimination in coverage. Upon motion made by Glenn Yeager, seconded by Shirley Ludwig, all members of this Board voted in the affirmative to renew the said insurance coverage.

.There being no further business, Chair Glenn Yeager made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Shirley Ludwig and all members of this Authority voted in the affirmative. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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Eileen Kastura, Vice-Chairman

8/26/09 10:50 AM

**Deleted:** Barry Rohrbach, Secretary