## HORSHAM LAND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY • JULY 17, 2013 • 3:30 PM

## In Attendance:

Authority Board
W. William Whiteside, III, Chair
Joanna M. Furia, Vice Chair
William Donnelly
Curtis Griffin
Mark McCouch

HLRA Staff
Michael J. McGee
Tom Ames
William Walker
Mary Eberle, Esquire

Chairman Whiteside called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. in the Horsham Township Municipal Building at 1025 Horsham Road, Horsham PA 19044 and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Whiteside started the meeting by asking if there were any questions or comments from the public; there were none.

Mr. Whiteside asked for the will of the Board regarding the minutes of the HLRA meeting on May 15, 2013. It was moved by Mr. McCouch, seconded by Mr. Griffin, to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2013 HLRA meeting. All voted in favor, motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Whiteside asked Mr. McGee to provide the Executive Director's Report. Mr. McGee advised that based on a recommendation from the last HLRA Meeting, an update had been posted to the HLRA website. He indicated that the public and OEA had both commented favorably on the information provided. Mr. McGee stated that the off-site housing property (Jacksonville Road property) had been transferred to Ivyland Borough from the Navy via a homeless assistance conveyance and in turn Ivyland Borough transferred the property to the Bucks County Housing Group (BCHG) per the Redevelopment Plan. BCHG has received a grant from Bucks County to rehab several of the homes into office space. He added that the Navy was still continuing dialog with Bucks County Redevelopment Authority and Warminster Township on the Shenandoah Woods property. McGee noted that Matrix Design Group, the consultant hired in January to help with the EDC application, was busy compiling significant background work and is still on schedule to submit the HLRA's economic development conveyance application to the federal government by year's end. Mr. McGee stated that the Navy's consultant continues to work on the draft environmental impact statement that is expected to be available in mid-summer. He also updated the board on the Navy's efforts to address the environmental remediation on the property. The former base is a superfund site and the Navy is working on the clean-up of three sites, including the base's former fire training area and two landfills.

Mr. Whiteside asked for the Solicitor's Report. Ms. Eberle indicated she had no report at this time.

Mr. Whiteside asked for the will of the Board regarding the list of checks. It was moved by Mr. Donnelly, seconded by Mr. Griffin, to approve the list of checks in the amount of \$158,163.37. All in favor, motion passed unanimously.

Under new business, Mr. McGee stated that the DVHAA is requesting to re-install electrical service to the existing restoration area on the base. He indicated that the base no longer has electric, water and sewer or utilities and as a consequence, the DVHAA has been using a generator. The DVHAA has submitted a proposal to the HLRA to provide electric to the restoration area. They are working with PECO and an electrical contractor to provide service to the site and have met with Horsham Township Code Enforcement personnel to insure that the proposed work complies with township codes. The Navy needs to issue the HLRA a License and the HLRA in turn needs to sign a Sublicense with the DVHAA to allow work in an area that is not included under the original Lease with the Navy. Mr. McGee added that the Navy is concerned that everyone understands that all improvements must be removed at the end of the lease period. Mr. McGee requested that the Board authorize the execution of the License with the Navy and the Sublicense with DVHAA once we have a final draft from the Navy. Mr. Whiteside asked if License was going to allow people to come and go on site at any time. Mr. McGee responded that the License does allow for maintenance of the line.

Ms. Furia moved to authorize the Executive Director to sign the License with the Navy and the Sublicense with the DVHAA subject to the solicitor's and HLRA staff review and receipt of an executed DVHAA Sublicense. The move was seconded by Mr. Donnelly. All in favor, motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Whiteside announced that the next Horsham Land Redevelopment Authority meeting would be on August 21, 2013 at 3:30 p.m. in the Horsham Township Municipal Building. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully,

William T. Walker HLRA Secretary