HORSHAM LAND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY • OCTOBER 18, 2017 • 3:30 PM

In Attendance:

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

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

Chairman Whiteside called the meeting to order at 3:38 p.m. in the Horsham Township Building at 1025 Horsham Road, Horsham PA 19044 and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mr. Whiteside noted that the Board had just finished an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing real estate issues.

Mr. Whiteside asked if there were any questions or comments from the public, there were none.

Mr. Whiteside asked for the will of the Board regarding minutes of the HLRA meeting on July 19, 2017. It was moved by Mr. McCouch, second by Dr. Griffin to approve the minutes for the July 19, 2017 HLRA meeting. All voted in favor, motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Whiteside asked Mr. McGee for the Executive Director's Report.

Mr. McGee noted that there had been very little activity in the past quarter. He reported that the Navy sees little benefit in meeting to discuss terms and conditions on a possible transfer until a remediation plan relating to the PFC contamination has been developed. Currently, the Navy is projecting the remediation plan will not be in place before the end of next year and that EPA will require six months of operations before they will approve the transfer. The earliest transfer date appears to be at the end of 2019.

Mr. McGee also noted that the HLRA staff was working with Horsham Township and the Horsham Water & Sewer Authority on various issues associated with PFC contamination from the military bases.

Mr. McGee briefed the Board on a visit by personnel from Department of Defense's Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA) including its Director. OEA is the department responsible for reviewing and approval of the HLRA's grants and Economic Development Conveyances. OEA is very supportive of the HLRA efforts and is aware that we are one of the few locations which has not received property from BRAC 2005.

Mr. McGee also announced that the HLRA's Administrative Assistant, Clarice Latham, had resigned to continue her educational studies on a full time basis. The HLRA will not be filling the position until the workload increases.

Mr. Whiteside asked Ms. Eberle for the Solicitor's Report. Ms. Eberle stated she had nothing to report that was not included in the Executive Directors report.

Mr. Whiteside asked for the will of the Board regarding the list of checks. It was moved by Ms. Furia, seconded by Mr. McCouch, to approve the list of checks in the amount of \$63,840.42. All voted in favor, motion passed unanimously.

In other business, Dr. Griffin reminded the Board that the new Hallowell Elementary School, that was constructed on property obtained from the U.S. Department of Defense through a public benefit conveyance was open and serving the community. He announced that Hallowell's Open House will be held later this month, on October 28, 2017.

Mr. Whiteside announced that the next Horsham Land Redevelopment Authority meeting would be on January 18, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. in the Horsham Township Municipal Building. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:46 pm.

William T. Walker HLRA Secretary