

NEW PEOPLES BANKSHARES INC  
Form 8-K  
May 22, 2009

**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 18, 2009

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**New Peoples Bankshares, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Virginia  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

000-33411  
(Commission File Number)

31-1804543  
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

67 Commerce Drive, Honaker, Virginia  
(Address of principal executive offices)

24260  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (276) 873-7000

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n/a

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Ce**

Departure of an Officer:

On May 18, 2009 Kenneth Hart, 62, President and CEO of New Peoples Bankshares, Inc. (the Company ) and its subsidiaries, including its banking subsidiary New Peoples Bank, Inc. (the Bank ), notified the Board of Directors of his retirement from those positions, effective on that date.

Appointment of an Officer:

Jonathan Mullins, 52, was appointed by the Board of Directors as President and CEO of the Company and its subsidiaries, including the Bank, effective May 19, 2009. Mr. Mullins served as Senior Vice President, Chief Lending Officer and Regional Manager for the Bank from July 2004 to May 18, 2009. His responsibilities included oversight of all lending activities and of 10 offices in Southwest Virginia. Prior to this role, Mr. Mullins joined the Bank as Vice President and Branch Manager on February 1, 1999. The contractual arrangements relating to Mr. Mullins appointment have not been determined at this time.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**NEW PEOPLES BANKSHARES, INC.**  
(Registrant)

Date: May 22, 2009

By: /s/ C. Todd Asbury  
C. Todd Asbury  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer