

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
COX JOHN D

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
NEW PEOPLES BANKSHARES
INC [NWPP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/20/2017

<u> X </u> Director	<u> </u> 10% Owner
<u> </u> Officer (give title below)	<u> </u> Other (specify below)

NEW PEOPLES BANKSHARES,
INC., 67 COMMERCE DRIVE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check
Applicable Line)
 X Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

HONAKER, VA 24260

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/20/2017		M		9,114	A \$ 1.75	375,582	D	
Common Stock							58,914	I	By Spouse

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock Warrant	\$ 1.75	12/20/2017		M	9,114	12/20/2012 12/20/2017	Common Stock	9,114

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
COX JOHN D NEW PEOPLES BANKSHARES, INC. 67 COMMERCE DRIVE HONAKER, VA 24260	X

Signatures

/s/ C. Todd Asbury, Attorney-in-Fact for John D. Cox 12/21/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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