

MONTHLY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

JULY 24, 2025 7:00PM AT BOHLMANN TOWERS COMMUNITY ROOM

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Jacqueline Simpkins, Chairman Yvette Houston, Vice Chairman Nicola Smith-DeFrietas Dawn Benson Alicia Simmons

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PEEKSKILL HOUSING AUTHORITY MONTHLY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING – JULY 24th, 2025 BOHLMANN TOWERS AGENDA

- I. ROLL CALL
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
 - a. Resolution 07/01/2025 June 26th, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes
 - b. Resolution -- 07/02/2025 June 26th, 2025 Public Hearing Minutes
- III. CORRESPONDENCE: None
- IV. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:
 - a) Monthly Report July 2025
 - b) Financial Report June 2025
- V. COUNSEL'S REPORT
- VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
 - a. Resolution = 06/01/2025 May 15, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes
- VII. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a) Resolution 07/03/2025 June Monthly Bills
 - b) Resolution 07/04/2025 -- Adoption of Video Camera Surveillance Policy
 - c) Resolution 07/05/2025 Selection of Fencing Vendor
- VIII. TENANTS' COMMENTS AND CONCERNS
- IX. ADJOURNMENT
- X. EXECUTIVE SESSION
 - a) Ongoing Matters

PEEKSKILL HOUSING AUTHORITY RESOLUTION APPROVING JUNE 26th, 2025 BOARD MEETING MINUTES REGULAR SESSION

WHEREAS,	The Board	of Comm	nissioners	have	reviewed th	ne minutes	of June	26,	2025	Board
Meeting; and										

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners find the minutes to accurately reflect the comments and statements made by the public and the Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Peekskill Housing Authority approve the minutes of June 26, 2025 Board Meeting.

Commissioner ______seconded.

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Chair Jacqueline Simpkins				
Vice Chairman Yvette Houston				
Commissioner Nicola Smith-DeFreitas				
Commissioner Dawn Benson				
Commissioner Alicia Simmons				

Authority of the City of Peekskill adopted.

Effective: July 24th, 2025

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PEEKSKILL HOUSING AUTHORITY MONTHLY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JUNE 26, 2025

ROLL CALL:

Chairman Simpkins
Vice Chairman Houston
Commissioner Smith-DeFreitas
Commissioner Simmons - Absent
Commissioner Benson

J. Phalen, Executive Director Mark J. Kamensky Esq., Counsel

Chairman Simpkins welcomed everyone to the June 26, 2025 Monthly Board of Commissioners Meeting.

Resolution - 06/01/2025 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Chairman Simpkins asked for a motion to pass Resolution 06/01/2025. However, due to the absence of a quorum at the time presented, no official action could be taken. The resolution was postponed and will be placed on the agenda for the next regular meeting.

Resolution - 06/02/2025 - Executive Session Summary

Chairman Simpkins asked for a motion to pass Resolution 06/02/2025. Vice Chairman Houston made the motion and Commissioner Smith-Defreitas seconded. Chairman Simpkins asked if there were any comments, concerns, or questions. There were none. The vote was as follows: Chairman Simpkins -Aye: Vice Chairman Houston-Aye: Commissioner Smith-Defreitas-Aye: Commissioner Simmons-Absent: Commissioner Benson-Aye: Resolution passes.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Revenue - HUD subsidy for May \$179,649

Other Revenue - May \$9,028

Tenant Charges

Executive Director Phalen explained the Rent Charges, Total tenant charges, Total Collected, Unpaid Tenant Balance for May 2025.

Bills Paid - The Executive Director reviewed the May bills.

Total expenses for May 2025 \$272,861

Court Proceedings – 7 adjourned.

Tenant Payment Agreements- TPA

Total of 65 residents have payment agreements with a remaining balance of \$548,365.05

Work Orders - May 108, 3 outstanding

Unit Turnovers - 4 vacant units as of May 31.

Extermination- 2 bedbug treatments in May 2025.

Tenants Account Receivable (TAR)

Total past due for May 2025- 150 tenants (55%) owed \$1,046,063

Police Reports

Police Activity PHA May 6- May 12, 2025, -Bohlmann Towers had 21 visits (14 patrol/follow-up, 7 other), and Dunbar Heights had 23 visits (20 patrol/follow-up, 3 other).

Police Activity PHA May 27- June 2, 2025, -Bohlmann Towers had 19 visits (16 patrol/follow-up, 3 other), and Dunbar Heights had 23 visits (20 patrol/follow-up, 3 other).

HOTMA Policy Update

HUD requires PHAs to implement mandatory policy changes by July 1, 2025, including new income exclusions (e.g., foster care payments, ABLE accounts), revised definitions, and a de minimis error rule. Public comment was open May 14–June 26; no formal comments received. A board resolution is required to adopt the changes.

FY2026 Budget Impact

At the NYSPHADA Spring Conference, officials warned of a proposed 44% cut to HUD funding, jeopardizing over \$4.4 billion for New York. Cuts would impact Operating, Capital, and Section 8 programs. Agencies are urged to contact lawmakers, engage stakeholders, and document local impact.

Grants

Pending

1. Emergency Safety and Security Grant Application 2025: Seeking \$250,000
PHA is applying for Emergency Safety and Security Grant (ESSG) funding to address NSPIRE deficiency-related hazards across Bohlmann Towers, Dunbar Heights, and Turnkey properties. This funding will support critical safety upgrades, including ventilation improvements, electrical repairs (GFCI), roofing fixes, and moisture control measures to mitigate mold risks. These improvements are essential to ensuring compliance with NSPIRE standards and creating safer, healthier living conditions for all residents.

Awarded (pending receipt)

- 1. Housing-Related Hazard Capital Fund Grant: Applied for \$811,620 to address fire hazards, including:
 - Electrical panel replacement, fire safety door installation, and spring latch window bars at Bohlmann Towers
 - Self-regulating heating control systems at Dunbar Heights and Turnkey sites
- 2. **ROSS Service Coordinator Program FY 2024:** PHA was recently awarded this grant for a three-year program beginning June 1,2025. Job listing will be posted soon on Linked In, Indeed, PHA website, Bulletin Boards, Rent Café tenant portal and Facebook.
- 3. **CDBG 2025**: Seeking \$800,000 (match total \$1.6 million) for renovations of 170 bathrooms at Bohlmann Towers, based on the 2018 Physical Needs Assessment. The Assistant Director attended the CDBG town hall in which the county said they are working on executing contracts.

Upcoming Solicitations

Bohlmann Elevator Replacement: Due to the type of materials needed for the project and current
volatility with tariffs and pricing, I recommend postponing the elevator bid for approximately six
months to allow for more stable market conditions. Delaying the bid may allow for more
competitive pricing and greater stability in the supply chain, ultimately resulting in better value for
the project.

• Fence Repairs (2024 Safety and Security Grant): \$83,000 for PHA-wide repairs. 2nd posting. PHA solicited qualified fencing contractors to bid on the Dunbar Heights, Turnkey sites (1227 Howard St., 1431 Park St., 1719 Park St.), and Bohlmann Towers Fencing Project with ads posted in the Journal News, PHA's website and direct solicitation. The work includes furnishing and installing roughly 300 linear feet of new fence per property, in full compliance with HUD Capital Fund and Build America, Buy America (BABA) requirements.

Key dates

- Walkthrough: Mon., June 23 @ 9:30 AM -- 807 Main St., Peekskill
- Proposal deadline: Mon., June 30 @ 12:00 PM (sealed submissions only)

Other Updates

<u>Dunbar Heights Kitchens</u>: PHA has secured \$310,000 in state funding for kitchen renovations at Dunbar Heights. The grant agreement has been signed and returned.

Next steps:

- Unit inspections will be conducted to assess the condition of each kitchen and prioritize needs.
- Based on the inspection results, a project timeline will be established.
- The bidding process will begin once the scope of work is finalized.

<u>Dunbar Bathroom Project – Phase 3 Update</u>: To date, HUD has not granted any BABA waivers for this type of project. As a result, PHA will proceed with Phase 3, using materials that meet BABA compliance, while working to maintain consistency with materials used in Phases 1 and 2. According to PHA architect LAN:

- Phases 1 & 2 averaged \$340K.
- With inflation, similar specs are now estimated at \$375K.
- Using all American-made products may raise the cost to approximately \$470K (based on prior low bids).

Architect Lan is working on the timeline.

<u>Pool Passes:</u> Free 2025 Season Pool passes and discounted daily rates for PHA residents at veteran's memorial park. Sign up at Parks and Rec 1 Robin Drive. 2 proofs of residency will be required. Served on a first come, first served basis.

COUNSEL'S REPORT:

Attorney Kamensky: We continue to work through the backlog. We're working through cases in batches. Tenants who respond often enter into stipulations. If they default, we file for a judgment. It's a way to encourage compliance without initiating brand new proceedings.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution - 06/03/2025 - May Monthly Bills

Chairman Simpkins asked for a motion to pass Resolution 06/03/2025. Vice Chairman Houston made the motion and Commissioner Smith-Defreitas seconded. Chairman Simpkins asked if there were any comments, concerns, or questions. There were none. The vote was as follows: Chairman Simpkins -Aye: Vice Chairman Houston-Aye: Commissioner Smith-Defreitas-Aye: Commissioner Simmons-Absent: Commissioner Benson-Aye: Resolution passes.

Resolution - 06/04/2025 - Authorization of Section 18 Application for Kiley Center Renovation

Chairman Simpkins asked for a motion to pass Resolution 06/04/2025. Vice Chairman Houston made the motion and Commissioner Smith-Defreitas seconded. Chairman Simpkins asked if there were any comments, concerns, or questions. There were none. The vote was as follows: Chairman Simpkins -Aye: Vice Chairman Houston-Aye: Commissioner Smith-Defreitas-Aye: Commissioner Simmons-Absent: Commissioner Benson-Aye: Resolution passes.

TENANTS QUESTIONS COMMENTS AND CONCERNS:

Ramona Searight: So, what does it mean that you're disposing of the Kiley Center from the public housing inventory? Are you selling the building?"

Executive Director Phalen: No. We still own the building. HUD doesn't allow PHA's to mix federal funds with county bond money. So, to use county money, we have to remove the building from HUD's inventory.

Ramona Searight: So, are they going to lay off staff? Or cutting of programs

Executive Director Phalen: No. There are no staff cuts or program closures planned. The renovations are intended to keep the building usable and safe for everyone. There are two Asset Management Projects (AMPs): AMP 1, which includes Bohlmann Towers and the Kiley Center, and AMP 2, which includes Dunbar Heights and Turnkey. In May, AMP 1 received \$71,406 from HUD, and AMP 2 received \$75,522. We try to stretch these funds as far as possible, but the reality is we can only stretch the funds so far. The Kiley Center is in poor condition and urgently needs renovation.

Leila (for her mother, Francisca Espinosa): I don't see police there like that. I'd like to know where they were at. I mean, I'm in there every day. I don't see them.

Executive Director Phalen: They often just drive through. They might not get out of their car. But you can check directly with the police department to confirm how many times they were called.

Leila (for her mother, Francisca Espinosa): I keep calling the police, and they don't come. They don't do nothing. People parking anywhere, blocking the flow.

Executive Director Phalen: Unfortunately, it's the police who have to ticket cars or tow them. We've called them too. Keep calling whenever you see it happening.

Leila (for her mother, Francisca Espinosa): People dumping garbage, tires, old mattresses. It looks terrible. I know y'all got cameras. Why don't you check them more?

Executive Director Phalen: Sometimes the garbage sits there a few days before we find it. And even with cameras, it's hard to see who dumped it if it happens at night. But please keep reporting it so we can check the cameras.

Pauline Gilchrist: So, if a tenant has a dog that's not on their lease, what happens?

Executive Director Phalen: It's a lease violation. We try to talk to them first. But if they don't comply, it can go to legal. And ultimately, if it doesn't get fixed, it could result in eviction.

Pauline Gilchrist: Why is it so hard to evict people over pets?

Attorney Kamensky: It depends on the judge. Many judges don't like to evict someone over a pet policy, especially if no one's been hurt. Unless there's been an attack or repeated problems, judges are reluctant to evict. We have to prove our case. One person saying, 'I saw a dog off leash' isn't enough. We need documentation and witnesses.

Executive Director Phalen: I encouraged tenants to report every incident so a paper trail can be built for legal action if necessary.

Pauline Gilchrist: When will the bathroom renovations start.

Executive Director Phalen: There's no exact date yet. The architect is still working on timelines.

Regina Male: The laundry machine's card slot being broken and water leaking onto the floor.

Executive Director Phalen: You can either call the office and we'll put in a ticket, or you can call the laundry vendor yourself.

Regina Male: We have seniors who can't walk up the stairs without something to hold onto.

Executive Director Phalen: If someone requests a reasonable accommodation, we can install a railing. Just fill out the request form, and it'll be approved.

Regina Male: I think everybody's getting new stuff except Turnkey. Bohlmann is getting bathrooms. Dunbar is getting kitchens. Turnkey isn't getting bathrooms or kitchens.

Executive Director Phalen: There are projects planned for every development. Dunbar and Turnkey have projects in the five-year plan, like siding replacement. It's all based on funding. We're not ignoring Turnkey. This brings us to the significance of potential budget cuts. New York State faces \$4.4 billion in cuts to public housing, impacting over a million people. Community Development Block Grants (CDBG), which funded projects like the Dunbar bathrooms, could be eliminated. Contact your senators and assembly members because this directly affects you.

Ramona Searight: A template letter would be good. People would sign it more easily if it's already written.

Executive Director Phalen: That's a great idea. We'll prepare some template letters for you. If people don't pay rent, the federal government looks at us and says, 'They don't need funding if no one is contributing.' We need everyone to pay what they owe, even if you're behind. We'll work with you on a payment plan. We don't want to evict anyone. This is your home. We've had tenants say, 'I have to pay my Con Ed bill because Con Ed will take me to court.' Housing can also take you to court. But we'd rather work with you. Even if you can pay only \$25 extra a month, it's a good faith effort.

Commissioner Houston: When they clean the laundry room, do they put something in the washers? Because sometimes you can get that smell.

Commissioner Benson: They took care of that. You have to realize, we have people living here who seem like they've never washed clothes in their life. And those clothes smell. So yes, when the washers go through the cycle, you might smell it. We used to buy stuff to clean the machines, but sometimes the problem is just people washing nasty clothes.

Commissioner Houston: What's the purpose of me being on the board as a tenant commissioner if people can't come to me with their issue?

Commissioner Benson: That's not what I'm saying. If there's an issue at Bohlmann Towers, you can call the office. We always say, put in a work order. Let the office know.

Commissioner Houston: I just put the question out there because it was brought to my attention.

Chairman Simpkins: Your voices are being heard. We may disagree sometimes, but we want you to keep speaking up. Everyone here is approachable. We don't get a physical paycheck. We get paid through our service. We're here to do a service for you.

Chairman Simpkins asked for a motion to close the regular meeting and open the executive session. Vice Chairman Houston made the motion and Commissioner Smith-Defreitas seconded.

The meeting went into executive session at 8:33 pm.

Chairman Simpkins asked for a motion to close the executive session Vice Chairman Houston made the motion and Commissioner Smith-Defreitas seconded.

Chairman Simpkins motioned to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chairman Houston made the motion and Commissioner Smith-Defreitas seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:03 pm.

PEEKSKILL HOUSING AUTHORITY RESOLUTION APPROVING JUNE 26, 2025 PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners have reviewed the minutes of June 26, 2025 Public Hearing; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners find the minutes to accurately reflect the comments and statements made by the public and the Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Peekskill Housing Authority approve the minutes of June 26, 2025 Public Hearing.

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Chair Jacqueline Simpkins				
Vice Chairman Yvette Houston				
Commissioner Nicola Smith-DeFreitas				

Commissioner motioned to vote and Commissioner seconded.

I hereby certify that the above resolution is as the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Peekskill adopted.

Effective:	July 24, 2025
J. Phalen, l	Executive Director

Commissioner Dawn Benson
Commissioner Alicia Simmons





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PEEKSKILL HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC HEARING JUNE 26, 2025

ROLL CALL:

Chairman Simpkins
Vice Chairman Houston
Commissioner Smith-DeFreitas
Commissioner Simmons- Absent
Commissioner Benson

J. Phalen, Executive Director Mark J. Kamensky Esq., Counsel

Chairman Simpkins welcomed everyone to the June 26, 2025 Public Hearing regarding HOTMA related updates to the ACOP.

Executive Director Phalen: Effective July 1, 2025, HUD mandates updates to the Admissions and Continued Occupancy Policy (ACOP) under HOTMA. Key changes include: A clearly defined list of 28 income sources that must be excluded when determining rent (e.g., child earnings, foster care stipends, education savings, and reparations). Updated definitions for family, employment types, and dependent categories to reflect modern household structures. A new policy on de minimis errors, stating that rent will not be retroactively adjusted for income calculation errors resulting in a \$30 or less monthly difference, unless fraud or misrepresentation is involved. These changes ensure policies reflect current family and employment realities, reduce confusion, and increase fairness for tenants.

Vice Chairman Houston: So, is it something on here where it's saying excluding certain things that may have been calculated before but now are excluded? Like, for example, children receiving some sort of stipend—that won't be included when calculating rent? I just want to make sure.

Executive Director Phalen: Child earnings were always not counted, but now it's explicitly defined in the ACOP. It's still excluded income, but previously it was more of a practice; now it's formalized in policy.

Vice Chairman Houston: If a child gets financial aid, is that going to be included?

Executive Director Phalen: No, it's excluded. All of this list represents excluded income, not included income.

Pauline Gilchrist: Like before, if you had medical charges and included them in recertification for deductions, can you still do that, or is it no longer allowed?

Executive Director Phalen: Yes, you can still include unreimbursed medical payments as part of deductions. It's only if you've already been reimbursed by another source that those payments are not counted for deduction purposes.

Pauline Gilchrist: So, what about the medical threshold? It increases 3% or the 10%?

Executive Director Phalen: Not yet. There are more changes coming under HOTMA. This is just the beginning of several updates expected for Public Housing programs.

Pauline Gilchrist: Okay, so for those up for recertification, when will these changes take effect?

Executive Director Phalen: July 1st.

Ramona Searight: The last piece you were referring to—was that the addition or the errors? Are we talking about the \$30 error in calculation?

Executive Director Phalen: Yes. If there's an error in calculating household income that results in a difference of \$30 or less per month in the tenant's portion of rent, the PHA cannot penalize the tenant for it. Such errors will be corrected prospectively at the next scheduled re-exam. This has not been an issue in past practice.

Commissioner Smith-Defreiatas: At the top of the income determination, are there any significant changes in what is included as income from what's been policy all along?

Executive Director Phalen: No significant changes. The exclusions were previously handled as a practice but will now be formalized in policy.

Pauline Gilchrist: Can you talk more about the two-year limits on non-elderly and non-disabled tenants?

Executive Director Phalen: Only the information included in this current ACOP revision is being implemented at this time. Additional details or further changes are not part of this immediate update.

Resolution – 06/04/2025 – Resolution Adoption of HOTMA-Related Revisions to the ACOP

Chairman Simpkins asked for a motion to pass Resolution 06/04/2025. Vice Chairman Houston made the motion and Commissioner Smith-Defreitas seconded. Chairman Simpkins asked if there were any comments, concerns, or questions. There were none. The vote was as follows: Chairman Simpkins -Aye: Vice Chairman Houston-Aye: Commissioner Smith-Defreitas-Aye: Commissioner Simmons-Absent: Commissioner Benson-Aye: Resolution passes.

Chairman Simpkins motioned to adjourn the meeting. Vice Chairman Houston made the motion and Commissioner Smith-Defreitas seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 PM

PEEKSKILL HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING July 24th, 2025 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Revenue	June
HUD Subsidy – Bohlmann (AMP 1)	71,406
HUD Subsidy – All other sites (AMP 2)	75,522
Proceeds from Capital Funds/Shortfall Funds/ROSS Grant	19,200
Total HUD Revenue	182,795
Other Revenue Non-Federal	
Laundry Commissions	2,891
CAP Office	0
Health Center	740
Interest	663
Total	4,294
TENANT CHARGES	June
Rent	178,398
Parking	1,920
Misc. (key cards, maintenance charges, legal fees)	125
Late fees	(135)
Air Conditioners	765
TOTAL TENANT CHARGES	181,072
Total Collected	159,365
Unpaid Tenant Balance for the month	21,708
Write offs, AJE's, Move outs	0
All Outstanding Tenant Charges	\$1,067,770

Financial

BILLS PAID

	June
Payroll (M)	76,357
Elevator (Q)	0
Exterminator (M)	7,338
Trash – Dumpsters	0
City Trash Collection (Q)	21,060
City Water (Q)	0
Sewer Tax (Semi-Annual)	0
Robison Fuel Oil (M)	18,533
Electric (M)	16,775
Gas (M)	17,294
Propane (M)	284
Legal – PHA Attorney (M)	3,200
Legal – Labor Attorney	9. 0
Lawsuit Deductibles	0
Health Insurance/Dental Insurance(M)	33,013
Process Server – Evictions (M)	0
Insurance – Commercial (Q), Liability (Q), WC (M), Auto (Q)	973
Credit Card (M)-Maintenance Supplies, Office Expenses, Tenant Services	24,315
Other Maintenance Supplies and Contracts (M)	14,376
Other Office Expenses and Contracts (M)	9,622
PILOT (SA)	0
NYS Retirement Contribution (A)	0
Medicare Part B Reimbursement	0
Unit Turnaround Contracts	19,200
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$262,340
ROSS Grant (Salary, expenses and training)	6,315
CAPITAL FUND PROJECTS (construction and architect fees)	0,313

COURT PROCEEDINGS

MONTH	# RESIDENTS	BALANCE	#PAID	AMOUNT PAID	RESULT/COMMENTS
May 2024	8	81,829	0	0	8- Adjourned
June 2024	14	208,432	0	0	12-Adjourned 2-Stipulation
July 2024	11	136,589	0	0	9- Adjourned 3-Stipulation
August 2024	4	91,985	0	0	2 – Adjourned 1- Stipulation 1- Trial
September 2024	5	12,465	0	0	4-Adjourned 1-Warrant & Stay
October 2024	4	91,985	0	0	3-Adjourned 1-Eviction
November 2024	1	21,095	0	0	1-Adjourned
December 2024	3	105,095	0	0	2-Adjourned 1-Stipulation
January 2025	4	113,055	0	0	3-Adjourned 1-Eviction
February 2025	5	160,307	0	0	5-Adjourned
March 2025	7	104,666	0	0	2-Trial 1-Stay 3-Adjourned 1- Stipulation
April 2025	7	121,046	0	0	1-Warrant & Stay 4-Adjourned 2-Trial
May 2025	7	151,366	0	0	7 - Adjourned
June 2025	7	150,831	2	8,534	3 – Stipulation 4- Adjourned

WORK ORDERS

MONTH	CALLS	COMPLETE	OUTSTANDING OR COMMENTS
January 2024	113	113	
February	85	85	
March	91	87	
April	103	103	
May	136	136	
June	135	135	
July	138	138	
August	127	127	
September	134	134	
October	152	152	
November	120	120	
December	162	162	
January 2025	127	127	
February	122	122	
March	148	148	
April	108	108	
May	108	108	
June	171	167	4 Outstanding

Tenant Payment Agreement Summary - As of June 30, 2025

Bohlmann Towers (32 Agreements)

• Total Agreement Amount: \$388,271.62

Total Received: \$77,941.06Remaining Balance: \$310,330.56

Dunbar Heights (23 Agreements)

Total Agreement Amount: \$228,103.82

Total Received: \$46,572.55Remaining Balance: \$181,531.27

Turnkey (9 Agreements)

• Total Agreement Amount: \$72,695.40

Total Received: \$17,351.00Remaining Balance: \$55,344.40

PHA Total (65 Agreements)

• Total Agreement Amount: \$689,070.84

Total Received: \$141,864.61Remaining Balance: \$547,206.23

UNIT TURNOVER

SITE/UNIT	SIZE	VACANT	COMPLETE	LEASED	COMMENT
BT 1-B	1	03/31/25	05/30/25		LEASE 07/15/25
BT 1-L	1	03/19/25	04/29/25	05/16/25	
BT 1-X	1	03/14/25	04/10/25	05/01/25	
BT 3-A	0	04/30/25	06/05/25	06/13/25	
BT 3-B	3	03/18/25	04/29/25	05/01/25	
BT 3-D	4	05/16/25	06/18/25		LEASE 08/01/25
BT 6-L	1	06/16/25	06/30/25		LEASE 07/03/25
BT 7-M	1	03/11/25	04/11/25		LEASE 07/03/25
TOTAL VACANT	4				
OFFLINE	0				

ACTIVE UNITS

As of June 30th					
Bohlmann Towers	140				
Dunbar Heights	96				
Turnkey	33				
Total Active	269				
Total Occupancy Rate	98% (269)				

EXTERMINATION SUMMARY - BEDBUGS - # Treatments

MONTH	2023	2024	2025	Comment
January	0	0	1	
February	0	2	2	
March	0	0	17	3 confirmed 14 Preventative Services
April	0	2	2	
May	0	2	2	
June	0	2	1	
July	2	1		
August	3	0		
September	0	0		
October	0	2		
November	2	0		
December	0	0		
TOTAL	7	11	25	
COST	\$2,340	\$2,267	\$4,117	

TENANT ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE - LATE OR NO PAYMENT

SITE	# Units	No Payment	Past Due through	
			June 30, 2025	
Bohlmann Towers	144	(22) 27	81 owed \$543,042	(529,575)
Dunbar Heights	96	(13) 15	42 owed \$375,982	(370,326)
Turnkey	33	(3) 7	20 owed \$148,162	(146,870)
Totals	273	(40) 49	143- 52% - \$1,067,770	(\$1,046,063)

Parenthesis () represents the previous month.

PEEKSKILL POLICE DEPARTMENT INCIDENT REPORTS

PHA Activity: June 17–23, 2025	Total Visits	Patrol/Follow-up	Other	
Bohlmann Towers	21	19	2*	
Dunbar Heights	16	13	3*	

^{*} Bohlmann Towers – Other: 1 medical, 1 domestic

^{*} Dunbar Heights – Other: 2 medicals, 1 dispute

PHA Activity: June 24–30, 2025	Total Visits	Patrol/Follow-up	Other
Bohlmann Towers	15	13	2*
Dunbar Heights	27	25	2*

^{*} BT – Other: 1 medical call, 1 dispute

^{*} DH – Other: 1 domestic, 1 traffic stop

THUD Bill Proposal (FY2026)

The proposed FY2026 THUD appropriations bill includes steep reductions to federal public housing funding. Most notably, New York State housing authorities stand to lose over \$4.4 billion in federal support under this proposal.

Key proposed cuts include:

- Operating Fund: Proposed at \$4.975 billion—a \$501 million cut from FY2025.
- Operating Fund Shortfall: Maintained at \$25 million, offering no increase to offset inflation or cost growth.
- Capital Fund: Proposed at \$2.286 billion—a \$914 million reduction from FY2025.

These cuts would significantly limit our ability to operate and maintain public housing, and could directly impact tenant services, maintenance, and capital improvements. Continued advocacy is essential as this bill moves through Congress.

FENCE REPLACEMENT-EMERGENCY SAFETY AND SECURITY GRANT

PHA solicited Requests for Proposals for Fence Replacement. Two responses were received as follows:

Responders	Criteria 1: Past Performance (15)	Criteria 2: Price (35)	Criteria 3: HUD/BABA Compliance (35)	Criteria 4: MBE/WBE/Section 3 (15)	Total (100)
Mancon LLC	15 – Strong track record with City of Peekskill; completed fencing at Pugsley Park, Main Street & Peekskill Landing.	25 – \$73,000. Higher bid; justified with material quality & detailed work scope.	certified navroll &	10– Not a certified MBE/WBE but works with local firms.	85
WBE Site & Utilities	10 – No local references provided, general site experience cited.	35 – \$36,645. Lowest bid submitted but BABA supplies unclear and only includes one site (may justify the low price)	20 – Missing BABA product sourcing.	15-Certified WBE vendor	80

Notes:

- Mancon LLC demonstrated a high level of experience, attention to compliance, and local familiarity. Provided a clear project timeline (30–40 days), with readiness to begin by late July. A dedicated project manager was confirmed upon request. Priced higher but still under budget. Price reflects Park Street and Dunbar Heights.
- WBE did not mention BABA requirements and no direct references for Peekskill. While they were
 the lower bidder and met MBE/WBE status, their submission lacked clear BABA documentation.
 Clarification requests were necessary post-submission which leads concern regarding federal
 compliance. Price only included 1719 Park Street.

RECOMMENDATION IS FOR MANCON LLC.
THE FENCE REPLACEMENT CONTRACTOR RECOMMENDATION REQUIRES A BOARD RESOLUTION

Camera Surveillance Policy - Board Action Requested

The Peekskill Housing Authority has developed a formal Video Camera Surveillance Policy to support the safety and security of its residents, staff, and visitors, while balancing the need for privacy in common areas. The policy outlines procedures for signage, access restrictions, recorded footage, and data retention, and identifies specific staff authorized to view camera feeds.

A resolution is requested for the Board to formally adopt this policy.

Grants

Pending

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Solicitations

<u>Compactor System – Bohlmann Towers-</u> Due to recent system malfunctions and the aging condition of the compactor at 807 Main Street, PHA has issued an RFP for a full HUD- and BABA-compliant replacement, including maintenance service. Though our current provider has responded to issues, the system remains unreliable. A site visit is set for July 22, 2025, with proposals due July 29, 2025. Solicited via Journal News, Housing Marketplace, and direct outreach to vendors.

Other Updates

<u>Bohlmann Elevator Modernization Project:</u> PHA received the quote for architect services which will be included in the 5-year plan for 2025. PHAs NY based architect LAN are doing assessments on the elevator and working on a timeline.

<u>Dunbar Heights Kitchens</u>: PHA has secured \$310,000 in state funding for kitchen renovations at Dunbar Heights.

Next steps:

- Unit inspections will be conducted to assess the condition of each kitchen and prioritize needs.
- Based on the inspection results, a project timeline will be established.
- The bidding process will begin once the scope of work is finalized.

<u>Dunbar Bathroom Project – Phase 3 Update</u>: Architect LAN has provided PHA with Project schedule, cost estimate, drawings, and a product comparison between Phases 1 & 2 and the materials proposed for Phase 3.

Phases 1 & 2 averaged at \$340k each; with inflation and compliant materials, the cost estimate is \$489k. Dates:

- July 24th -post the advertisement
- August 14th- pre-bid meeting
- August 26th last day for questions
- September 2nd- bid opening
- September 18th- board meeting
- Tentative award on 9/19

<u>Pool Passes:</u> Free 2025 Season Pool passes and discounted daily rates for PHA residents at veteran's memorial park. Sign up at Parks and Rec 1 Robin Drive. 2 proofs of residency will be required. Served on a first come, first served basis.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janneyn Phalen

Executive Director

FINANCIAL PEEKSKILL HOUSING AUTHORITY PHA

- 1) Balance Sheet
- 2) Profit and Loss Month
- 3) Profit and Loss Year to Date
- 3)Summary Operating Statement

Peekskill Housing Authority Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2025

	Jun 30, 25
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	470 700 87
1111.2 Cash - Operating Account	476,700.87
1111.5 Cash - Payroll Account 1112 Chase - Nonfederal	24,297.16 834,822.71
1114 Security Deposit Fund	79,347.94
1117 Petty Cash Fund	1,000.00
Total Checking/Savings	1,416,168.68
Other Current Assets	
1123 Allowance for Doubt. Accts	-1,079,116.00
1125 AR HUD	69,201.00
1129 AR Other	2,625.70
1211 Prepaid Insurance	51,714.53
1260 Material Inventory	37,581.00
1261 Obsolete Inventory	-1,879.00
1122.1 · 1122.1 TAR Bohlmann	329,562.27 345,022.86
1122.2 · 1122.2 TAR Dunbar	91,127.42
1122.3 · 1122.3 TAR Turnkey 1122.7 · 1122.7 TAR Repays Bohlmann	305,124.29
1122.8 · 1122.8 TAR Repays Dunbar	188,753.38
1122.9 · 1122.9 TAR Repays Turnkey	57,220.52
1262 · 1262 Fuel Oil Inventory	26,045.00
Total Other Current Assets	422,982.97
Total Current Assets	1,839,151.65
Fixed Assets	
1400.10 Leasehold Improvements	3,650,425.76
1400.12 Building Improvements	3,555,353.79
1400.5 Accumulated Depreciation	-24,931,687.44
1400.51 Accumulated Amortizatio	-13,562.58
1400.6 Land	131,611.00 21,807,327.63
1400.7 Buildings 1400.8 Equipment - Dwellings	238,849.00
1400.9 Equipment - Admin	913,607.67
1400.95 Equipment - Cap Leases	17,056.20
Total Fixed Assets	5,368,981.03
Other Assets	
1420 · 1420 Deferred Outflows GASB-68	311,799.00
1421 • 1421 Deferred Outflows OPEB	865,055.00
Total Other Assets	1,176,854.00
TOTAL ASSETS	8,384,986.68
LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
2111 Accounts Payable	57,564.10
2114 Tenant Security Deposits	79,147.91
2117.3 Pension Payable	3,517.90
2117.5 Group Insurance	14,649.78
2117.7 CSEA Dues	-49.60
2133 Accrued utilities 2135 Accrued Payroll	138,083.70
2136 Accrued Payroll 2136 Accrued Pension	8,199.69 29,079.00
2137 Payments in Lieu of Taxes	133,160.60
2138 Accrued Comp. Absences	181,023.00
2146 Lease Payable	3,926.89
2240.1 · Prepaid Rent Bohlmann	5,242.18

Peekskill Housing Authority Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2025

	Jun 30, 25
2240.2 · Prepaid Rent Dunbar	6,475.67
2240.3 · Prepaid Rent Turnkey	2,110.62
Total Other Current Liabilities	662,131.44
Total Current Liabilities	662,131.44
Long Term Liabilities	
2134 Acrued OPEB	3,936,211.00
2140 Net Pension Liability	309,078.00
2400 Deferred Inflows GASB-68	213,824.00
2410 Deferred Inflows OPEB	1,832,537.00
Total Long Term Liabilities	6,291,650.00
Total Liabilities	6,953,781.44
Equity	
2803 Invested in Capital Assets	5,345,531.69
2807 Unrestricted Net Assets	-4,370,485.59
32000 · Retained Earnings	354,246.69
Net Income	101,912.45
Total Equity	1,431,205.24
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	8,384,986.68

June 2025

	Jun 25
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income 3110 Dwelling Rental 3110.1 Bohlmann Towers 3110.2 Dunbar Heights 3110.4 Turnkey	96,821.00 54,570.00 27,007.00
Total 3110 Dwelling Rental	178,398.00
3190 Nondwelling Rental 3190.1 Bohlmann Towers 3190.2 Dunbar Heights 3190.4 Turnkey	885.00 795.00 240.00
Total 3190 Nondwelling Rental	1,920.00
3610 Interest on Gen. Fund Inv. 3690 Other Income 3690.1 Laundry Room Income 3690.3 Health Center Rent 3690.6 Late Fees Bohlmann Towers Dunbar Heights	2,891.13 740.16 -75.05 -60.00
Total 3690.6 Late Fees	-135.05
3690.8 Work Orders Bohlmann Towers Dunbar Heights	50.00 75.00
Total 3690.8 Work Orders	125.00
3690.9 AC - BT 3690.9 Ac - TK	683.50 81.00
Total 3690 Other Income	4,385.74
3691 Other Income CFP Subsidy 8020 Operating Subsidy 8020.1 AMP 1 8020.2 AMP2 8020.5 Shortfall Funds	71,406.00 75,521.50 19,200.00
Total 8020 Operating Subsidy	166,127.50
Total Income	368,160.74
Gross Profit	368,160.74
Expense 4110 Administrative Salaries 4130 Legal Expense 4140 Staff Training 4170 Accounting Fees 4171 Auditing Fees 4190.5 Forms, Station. & Office 4190.6 All Other Sundry 4190.7 Admin. Service Contracts 4190.71 Leases 4190.9 Advertising 4320 Electricity 4330 Gas 4335 Propane 4340 Fuel 4410 Labor	27,480.46 3,200.00 6,214.40 2,400.00 2,083.00 700.11 6,319.36 968.77 284.27 599.80 16,775.47 17,293.88 283.77 18,533.29 48,876.83
4420 Materials 4420.01 Supplies - Grounds	12,601.50
Total 4420 Materials	12,601.50

June 2025

	Jun 25
4430.1 Garbage & Trash Removal 4430.11 Routine Maint Contracts 4430.5 Landscaping Contracts 4430.6 Unit Turnaround Contract 4430.9 Exterminating Contracts 4510 Insurance Expense 4520 Payments in Lieu of Taxes 4540 Employee Benefits 4540.1 Employee Ben - Admin 4540.2 Employee Ben - Maint	21,060.00 18,504.54 3,784.38 19,200.00 7,337.56 15,363.00 12,820.00
4540.6 GASB-68 Admin	9,693.00
Total 4540 Employee Benefits	43,707.24
4570 Collection Losses 4620 Casualty Losses 4190.72 · 4190.73 IT Services	6,250.00 7,390.00 750.00
Total Expense	320,781.63
Net Ordinary Income	47,379.11
Other Income/Expense Other Income 8029.53 ROSS Grant 8029.55 Capital Fund Grant 2024	-9,532.15 -261,855.00
Total Other Income	-271,387.15
Other Expense 4805 ROSS 2022 Expenses	6,314.50
Total Other Expense	6,314.50
Net Other Income	-277,701.65
Net Income	-230,322.54

April through June 2025

	Apr - Jun 25
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
3110 Dwelling Rental 3110.1 Bohlmann Towers	284.588.00
3110.2 Dunbar Heights	165,046.00
3110.21 Retro Rent DH	6,429.00
3110.4 Turnkey	79,965.00
Total 3110 Dwelling Rental	536,028.00
3190 Nondwelling Rental	
3190.1 Bohlmann Towers	2,547.55
3190,2 Dunbar Heights	2,347.83
3190.4 Turnkey	690.00
Total 3190 Nondwelling Rental	5,585.38
3610 Interest on Gen. Fund Inv.	1,822.75
3690 Other Income	
3690.1 Laundry Room Income	8,675.58
3690.2 CAP Office Rent	4,500.00
3690.3 Health Center Rent	2,220.48
3690.6 Late Fees	792.15
Bohlmann Towers Dunbar Heights	416.50
Turnkey	135.00
Total 3690.6 Late Fees	1,343.65
3690.8 Work Orders	
Bohlmann Towers	567.00
Dunbar Heights	914.00
Turnkey	10.00
Total 3690.8 Work Orders	1,491.00
3690.9 AC - BT	1,453.50
3690.9 Ac - TK	171.00
3690 Other Income - Other	7,468.67
Total 3690 Other Income	27,323.88
3691 Other Income CFP Subsidy 8020 Operating Subsidy	50,001.00
8020.1 AMP 1	214,218.00
8020.2 AMP2	226,565.00
8020.5 Shortfall Funds	32,400.00
Total 8020 Operating Subsidy	473,183.00
Total Income	1,093,944.01
Gross Profit	1,093,944.01
Expense	80.053.53
4110 Administrative Salaries	82,676.27
4130 Legal Expense 4140 Staff Training	11,500.00 7,077.18
4170 Accounting Fees	7,200.00
4171 Auditing Fees	6,249.00
4190.15 Cell Phones/Pagers	575.73
4190.2 Membership Dues & Fees	125.00
4190.4 Collection Fees/Court Co	110.00
4190.5 Forms, Station, & Office	8,235.29
4190.6 All Other Sundry	14,465.31
4190.7 Admin. Service Contracts	14,733.77
4190.71 Leases 4190.9 Advertising	582.27
4310 Water & Sewer	1,457.95 61,628.80
-0 to frater a center	01,028.80

April through June 2025

	Apr - Jun 25
4310.9 Sewer Taxes 4320 Electricity 4330 Gas 4335 Propane 4340 Fuel 4410 Labor 4420 Materials	26,684.41 66,910.71 73,492.87 3,696.34 50,664.25 145,465.36
4420.01 Supplies - Grounds	30,616.81
Total 4420 Materials	30,616.81
4430.1 Garbage & Trash Removal 4430.10 Alarm/Extinguish Contra 4430.11 Routine Maint Contracts 4430.4 Elevator Contracts 4430.5 Landscaping Contracts 4430.6 Unit Turnaround Contract 4430.9 Exterminating Contracts 4510 Insurance Expense 4520 Payments in Lieu of Taxes 4540 Employee Benefits 4540.1 Employee Ben - Admin 4540.2 Employee Ben - Maint	21,060.00 339.43 21,366.21 2,423.73 6,146.88 45,200.00 10,775.08 52,434.00 26,016.00 41,119.75 73,297.00
4540.6 GASB-68 Admin	29,079.00
Total 4540 Employee Benefits 4570 Collection Losses 4620 Casualty Losses 4190.72 · 4190.73 IT Services 7520 · 7520 Equipment Purchases	143,495.75 18,750.00 7,390.00 3,350.00 8,800.00
Total Expense	981,694.40
Net Ordinary Income	112,249.61
Other Income/Expense Other Income 8029.53 ROSS Grant	7,836.46
Total Other Income	7,836.46
Other Expense 4805 ROSS 2022 Expenses	18,173.62
Total Other Expense	18,173.62
Net Other Income	-10,337.16
Net Income	101,912.45

Peekskill Housing Authority Summary Operating Statement - Budget and Actual Three Months Ended June 30, 2025 Prior Year | Annual

Revenue	Prior Year Year-to-Date Actual	Annual Budget (Dollars)	Year-to-Date Budget	Year-to-Date Actual	Variance - Favorable (Unfavorable)
Operating Receipts	500 564	2 112 040	528,485	526 029	7 5/13
Dwelling Rentals	529,561	2,113,940		536,028	7,543 4,385
Nondwelling Rent	5,548	4,800	1,200	5,585 1,823	73
Interest Income	1,708	7,000	1,750	. ,	16,575
Other Income	7,576	43,000	10,750	27,325	,
HUD Operating Subsidy	565,449	1,650,000	412,500	473,183	60,683 0
CFP Operations Subsidy	57,382	200,000	50,000	50,000	
Total Operating Receipts - Including HUD Contri	1,167,224	4,018,740	1,004,685	1,093,944	89,259
Expenses					
Operating Expenditures					
Administrative:	62.019	365,960	91,490	82,676	8,814
Administrative Salaries	62,018	45,000	11,250	11,500	(250)
Legal Expense	10,198	5,000	1,250	7,077	(5,827)
Training	0	5,000	1,250	7,0,7	1,250
Travel	8,700	30,000	7,500	7,200	300
Accounting Fees	2,625	25,000	6,250	6,249	1
Auditing Fees	38,469	107.500	26,875	43,635	(16,760)
Telephone, Office Supplies, Miscellaneous	122,010	583,460	145,865	158,337	(12,472)
Total Administrative Expenses	122,010	303,400	140,000	100,007	112,712)
Tenant Services:					1
Contracts	0	0	0	0	0
Relocation and other	0	20,000	5,000	0	5,000
Total Tenant Services Expenses	0	20,000	5,000	0	5,000
Utilities:					
Water/Sewer	77,141	240,000	60,000	88,313	(28,313)
Electricity	55,371	290,000	72,500	66,911	5,589
Gas	64,129	250,000	62,500	73,493	(10,993)
Fuel	36,119	292,000	73,000	54,360	18,640
Total Utilities Expenses	232,760	1,072,000	268,000	283,077	(15,077)
Ordinary Maintanana 2 Occupations					
Ordinary Maintenance & Operation:	142,347	697,480	174,370	145,465	28,905
Labor-Maintenance Materials - Maintenance	31,264	170,000	42,500	30,617	11,883
Maint Contract Costs	102,857	430,000	107,500	107,311	189
Total Maintenance Expenses	276,468	1,297,480	324,370	283,393	40,977
-	270,100	1,201,100	02.1,01.0	200,000	10,077
Protective Services		5.000	1.050	0	1.250
Contracts	0	5,000	1,250	0	1,250
Total Protective Services		5,000	1,250	0	1,250
General Expense:					
Insurance	56,311	260,500	65, 125	52,434	12,691
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	30,448	105,470	26,368	26,016	352
Employee Benefit Contributions	140,846	588,770	147,193	143,496	3,697
Collection Losses	25,000	75,000	18,750	18,750	0
Total General Expenses	252,605	1,029,740	257,435	240,696	16,739
Nonroutine Items:					
Extraordinary Items	77,240	10,000	2,500	16,190	(13,690)
	, 240	75,000	2,000	10,130	(13,030)
Total Operating Expenses	961,083	4,017,680	1,004,420	981,693	36,417
Net Income/(Loss)	206,141	1,060	265	112,251	111,986

PEEKSKILL HOUSING AUTHORITY RESOLUTION APPROVING MAY 15th, 2025 BOARD MEETING MINUTES REGULAR SESSION

WHEREAS,	The Board of	f Commissioners	have revi	ewed the	minutes o	of May	15 th ,	2025	Board
Meeting; and									

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners find the minutes to accurately reflect the comments and statements made by the public and the Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Peekskill Housing Authority approve the minutes of May 15th, 2025 Board Meeting.

Commissionermotioned	l to vote and Con	nmission	er	seconded.
The vote is as follows:				
VOTE	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Chair Jacqueline Simpkins				
Vice Chairman Yvette Houston				
Commissioner Nicola Smith-DeFreitas				
Commissioner Dawn Benson				
Commissioner Alicia Simmons				
I hereby certify that the above resolution is a Authority of the City of Peekskill adopted.	as the Board of (Commissi	oners of the l	Housing

Effective: June 26th, 2025

J. Phalen, Executive Director



PEEKSKILL HOUSING AUTHORITY

J. Phalen Executive Director 807 Main Street Peekskill, New York 10566 Phone: 914-739-1700 Fax: 914-739-1787

PEEKSKILL HOUSING AUTHORITY MONTHLY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MAY 15, 2025

ROLL CALL:

Chairman Simpkins
Vice Chairman Houston
Commissioner Smith-DeFreitas
Commissioner Simmons
Commissioner Benson

J. Phalen, Executive Director Mark J. Kamensky Esq., Counsel

Chairman Simpkins welcomed everyone to the May 15, 2025 Monthly Board of Commissioners Meeting.

Resolution - 05/01/2025 - Regular Meeting Minutes

Chairman Simpkins asked for a motion to pass Resolution 05/01/2025. Commissioner Smith-Defreitas made the motion and Commissioner Simmons seconded. Chairman Simpkins asked if there were any comments, concerns, or questions. There were none. The vote was as follows: Chairman Simpkins -Aye: Vice Chairman Houston-Aye: Commissioner Smith-Defreitas-Aye: Commissioner Simmons-Aye: Commissioner Benson-Aye: Resolution passes.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Revenue - HUD subsidy for April \$423,297

Other Revenue - April \$3,897

Tenant Charges

Executive Director Phalen explained the Rent Charges, Total tenant charges, Total Collected, Unpaid Tenant Balance for April 2025.

Bills Paid - The Executive Director reviewed the April bills.

Total expenses for April 2025 \$302,645

Court Proceedings – 2 trials, 1 stay, 4 adjourned,

Tenant Payment Agreements- TPA

Total of 64 residents have payment agreements with a remaining balance of \$546,833.52

Work Orders - April 108, 5 outstanding

Unit Turnovers - 5 vacant units as of April 30.

Extermination- 2 bedbug treatments in April 2025.

Tenants Account Receivable (TAR)

Total past due for April 2025- 154 tenants (56%) owed \$1,045,277

Police Reports

Police Activity PHA April 1- April 7, 2025, -Bohlmann Towers had 19 visits (15 patrol/follow-up, 4 other), and Dunbar Heights had 23 visits (20 patrol/follow-up, 3 other).

Police Activity PHA April 8- April 14, 2025, -Bohlmann Towers had 24 visits (18 patrol/follow-up, 6 other), and Dunbar Heights had 27 visits (23 patrol/follow-up, 4 other).

Consultant Selection for Section 18 Disposition Services

HUD is currently reviewing the procurement file and contract for the consultant before we proceed with signing. This review ensures compliance with federal procurement regulations. Once HUD completes its review and approval, PHA will move forward with engaging the selected consultant for the Section 18 Disposition of the Kiley Center.

Peekskill Housing Authority - Senior Services Partnership with DSPS

PHA has partnered with Westchester County's Department of Senior Programs and Services (DSPS) to connect eligible senior residents with supportive resources. With tenant consent, PHA shares basic household information to help DSPS assess needs and offer services such as case management, meal delivery, transportation, social activities and financial counseling. This initiative supports senior well-being, independence, and housing stability.

Grants

Pending

- 1. **CDBG 2025**: Seeking \$800,000 (match total \$1.6 million) for renovations of 170 bathrooms at Bohlmann Towers, based on the 2018 Physical Needs Assessment.
- 2. Emergency Safety and Security Grant Application 2025: Seeking \$250,000 PHA is applying for Emergency Safety and Security Grant (ESSG) funding to address NSPIRE deficiency-related hazards across Bohlmann Towers, Dunbar Heights, and Turnkey properties. This funding will support critical safety upgrades, including ventilation improvements, electrical repairs (GFCI), roofing fixes, and moisture control measures to mitigate mold risks. These improvements are essential to ensuring compliance with NSPIRE standards and creating safer, healthier living conditions for all residents.

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 - Electrical panel replacement, fire safety door installation, and spring latch window bars at Bohlmann Towers
 - Self-regulating heating control systems at Dunbar Heights and Turnkey sites
- 2. **ROSS Service Coordinator Program FY 2024:** PHA was recently awarded this grant for a three-year program beginning June 1,2025. Job listing will be posted soon on Linked In, Indeed, PHA website, Bulletin Boards, Rent Café tenant portal and Facebook.
- 3. **Dunbar Heights Kitchens**: State funding of \$310,000. The grant agreement was delivered to PHA, signed and returned. I am in the process of updating the action plan for HUD. Once that is approved, we can start the bidding process.

Upcoming Solicitations

- Bohlmann Elevator Replacement: Due to the type of materials needed for the project and current
 volatility with tariffs and pricing, I recommend postponing the elevator bid for approximately six
 months to allow for more stable market conditions. Delaying the bid may allow for more
 competitive pricing and greater stability in the supply chain, ultimately resulting in better value for
 the project.
- <u>Fence Repairs</u> (2024 Safety and Security Grant): \$83,000 for PHA-wide repairs. Soliciting proposals for Fencing and Installation services at Dunbar Heights, Turnkey Sites and Bohlmann Towers. A site walkthrough will be held on April 21, 2025 and proposals are due by April 30, 2025 at 12:00 PM.
- <u>Landscaping:</u> The 2025 landscaping contract is being re-bid due to incomplete bid submissions.
 PHA has contacted previous bidders to ensure complete and compliant bid packages are submitted. Walkthrough scheduled for May 20th. The solicitation has been reposted in the Journal News and on the PHA website and is due May 27th,2025 at 12pm.

Other Updates

- Dunbar Bathrooms phase 3: PHA is currently working with the HUD baba team on our general
 waiver submission for exigent circumstances related to the Dunbar Bathroom Phase 3 project. The
 waiver for the remaining work in Phase 3 is needed to ensure: continuity with previously
 completed phases and timely resolution of open repairs or compliance issues. Although general
 waivers do not require formal approval, the County of Westchester—our CDBG funding source—
 has requested confirmation of receipt.
- Maintenance is replacing the carpet tiles in the vestibule at Bohlmann Towers.
- Free 2025 Season Pool passes and discounted daily rates for PHA residents at veteran's memorial park. Sign up at Parks and Rec 1 Robin Drive. 2 proofs of residency will be required. Served on a first come, first served basis.
- On May 12th,2025, PHA sent out flyers to all residents asking if they have a graduate in the home, please call the office or email housing@peekskiliha.com with their name, school and site name.
 The names of each graduate will be featured in the June newsletter.
- The 2025 HAI Group Resident Scholarship Program offers 20 scholarships of \$6,000 each to
 eligible residents pursuing higher education. Applications are due by May 30, 2025, at 3:30 PM ET.
 Residents can apply online at www.haigroup.com/scholarships or pick up an application at the
 PHA office

COUNSEL'S REPORT:

Attorney Kamensky: I've worked with the office, and we've started issuing 30-day notices. These are the rent demand notices. So, it went out in a bunch. If anybody heard that a lot of people were served, it's because we had a fairly large bunch that went out to start it off because we hadn't been doing it. And we'll go ahead in waves. We try, whenever we can, to enter into repayment stipulations. And if we have a stipulation, we'll enter it with the court, and it'll be a condition that if the tenant continues to pay, then nothing happens. If not, then we can proceed with the eviction.

Commissioner Benson: What is the stipulation when you go to court?

Attorney Kamensky: A stipulation is simply an agreement. The tenant owes a certain amount, It's a payment schedule that includes regular rent plus arrears. If the tenant pays, all is good; if not, the tenant is in default, which allows a court judgment.

Commissioner Benson: Would the stipulation have to be a certain amount?

Attorney Kamensky: Yes, it's a definite amount,

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution - 05/02/2025 - April Monthly Bills

Chairman Simpkins asked for a motion to pass Resolution 05/02/2025. Commissioner Benson made the motion and Commissioner Smith-Defreitas seconded. Chairman Simpkins asked if there were any comments, concerns, or questions. There were none. The vote was as follows: Chairman Simpkins -Aye: Vice Chairman Houston-Aye: Commissioner Smith-Defreitas-Aye: Commissioner Simmons-Aye: Commissioner Benson-Aye: Resolution passes.

TENANTS QUESTIONS COMMENTS AND CONCERNS:

George Bauer: Do we have to hold the door open for anybody in the building?

Executive Director Phalen: No, residents should not hold doors open indiscriminately.

Angela Ruiz: They sprayed something in my tub and, I got sick. I don't like my floors. My son stopped getting paid because Fidelis didn't send in the paper.

Vice Chairman Houston: Did someone from the office come to inspect your home?

Angela Ruiz: Yes, a man came, and saw, and talked about transfer options, but I don't want to move.

Commissioner Benson: Why don't you want to move to a different apartment if it has a new bathroom and new floors?

Angela Ruiz: I can't move upstairs; stairs are a problem, and elevator might not work in emergencies.

Commissioner Simmons: Is the elevator working?

Commissioner Benson: Yes, but not in fire emergencies.

Commissioner Benson: What floor are you on now? What floor is the temporary apartment?

Angela Ruiz: I'm on second floor; the temporary apartment is on a higher floor.

Commissioner Simmons: Is there a transfer request in place?

AD Levin: Yes, there is, matching the need to a lower floor vacancy.

Commissioner Simmons: What's the status of the floor repair?

AD Levin: The foreman will provide info.

Commissioner Simmons: Who put in the transfer request?

Executive Director Phalen: The office did.

Commissioner Simmons: Any medical documentation restricting floor assignment?

Executive Director Phalen: No.

Commissioner Benson: Other tenants reported to me feeling unsafe due to a neighbor.

Vice Chairman Houston: Do we have any written complaints regarding this tenant?

Executive Director Phalen: Two complaints documented.

Commissioner Simmons: What safety plans exist?

Executive Director Phalen: We have been in contact with treatment teams trying to get some assistance;

eviction as last resort

Commissioner Simmons: Does DSPS or WJCS provide onsite services?

Executive Director Phalen: No; they provide referrals.

Commissioner Simmons: What if tenant refuses services?

Executive Director Phalen: It's voluntary; refusal limits intervention.

Commissioner Simmons: Is there police follow-up on tenant disturbances? **Executive Director Phalen:** Yes, I have regular contact with the Police Chief.

Commissioner De Freitas: Can eviction proceedings lead to court-ordered assistance for tenants?

Attorney Kamensky: Yes, sometimes courts mandate assistance to avoid eviction.

At 7:54 pm on May 15, 2025 chairman Simpkins motioned to open the executive session. Commissioner Smith-Defreitas seconded.

Meeting went into executive session.

Resolution - 05/03/2025 - Elevator Modernization Project Procurement Decision

Chairman Simpkins asked for a motion to pass Resolution 05/03/2025. Vice Chairman Houston made the motion and Commissioner Simmons seconded. Chairman Simpkins asked if there were any comments, concerns, or questions. There were none. The vote was as follows: Chairman Simpkins -Aye: Vice Chairman Houston-Aye: Commissioner Smith-Defreitas-Aye: Commissioner Simmons-Aye: Commissioner Benson-Aye: Resolution passes.

Chairman Simpkins motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Simmons made the motion and Commissioner Smith-Defreitas seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM

PEEKSKILL HOUSING AUTHORITY RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REVIEW OF MONTHLY BILLS AS LISTED JUNE 2025

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners of the Peekskill Housing Authority administer their responsibility of monitoring the PHA's expenditures; and

WHEREAS, The bills for the period June 2025 are listed in the Bills List (attached); and

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners have reviewed the Bills List; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners questions and/or concerns regarding certain bills in the list have been resolved.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Peekskill Housing Authority reviewed the bills as listed in the Bills List June 2025.

Commissioner	motioned to vote and Commissioner	 seconded
The vote is as follows:		

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Chairman Jacqueline Simpkins				
Vice Chairman Yvette Houston				
Commissioner Nicola Smith-DeFreitas				
Commissioner Dawn Benson				
Commissioner Alicia Simmons				

I hereby certify that the above resolution is as the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Peekskill adopted.

Effective:	July 24th, 2025	
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Peekskill Housing Authority Transaction List by Vendor June 2025

Name	Туре	Date Nu	um Memo	Amount
Aflac New York	D:11			
	Bill	06/05/2025	Invoice 643399, Group Insurance	-479 40
Avaya Financial Services	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 1845	3 Invoice 643399 Group Insurance	-479_40
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January Sorp.	Bill	06/05/2025	Invoice 1978060, Social Service Verification	427.54
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 18455		-437.54
Chase Card	Dill' III GIIGGI	00/00/2023 10400	invoice 1370000 Social Service Verification	-437 54
	General Journal	06/12/2025 CC	June credit card	5,668,86
City of Peekskill (cpw)		***************************************	Suite Clear Cara	2,000,00
	Bill	06/05/2025	Residential Trash Collection	-21,060,00
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 18456		-21,060,00
City of Peekskill Police Dept.				21,000.00
	Bill	06/05/2025	Alarm Permit Renewal, Alarm No. 1175	-52.00
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 18457	Alarm Permit Renewal, Alarm No. 1175	-52.00
Con Edison				
	General Journal	06/06/2025 Gas	807 Main St heat	9,857.75
CSEA				
	Bill	06/05/2025	Agency Union Dues	-336 98
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 18467	Agency Union Dues	-336 98
	Bill	06/19/2025	Agency Union Dues	-336,98
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 18469	Agency Union Dues	-336 98
DEC COPIERS LEASING				
	Bill	06/05/2025	In 590275988 Copy Machine Lease	-149 00
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 18458	in_590275988 Copy Machine Lease	-149 00
DEC Office Solutions, Inc.				
	Bill	06/19/2025	N 329091 Copy Machine Kyocera	-658 03
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 18470	IN 329091, Copy Machine Kyocera	-658 03
DJM Tree Service Inc.				
	Bill	06/19/2025	Tree Cutting Service complete 05/30/25	-3,784 38
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 18486	Tree Cutting Service complete 05/30/25	-3,784,38
Gannett New York-New Jersey LocaliQ	2			
	Bill	06/19/2025	IN 0007119873, Advertising Notice WJN	-599 80
UD Comple Facilities Maintenance 144	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 18471	IN 0007119873 Advertising Notice WJN	-599_80
HD Supply Facilities Maintenance Ltd.	211	00/05/0005		
	Bill Dont Cheek	06/05/2025	Invoice 9237306625, Maintenance materials	-169 86
Home Depot Credit Services	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 18459	Invoice 9237306625 Maintenance materials	-169 86
nome bepot creak services	Biil	06/05/2025	Javainas 4526070 5004454 Maintenant	0.000.40
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Home Improvement St. John's	DIFF TIR TOTICE	00/03/2023 10400	myorces, 4520970 5901154 Maintenance mate	-2,000 10
nome improvement of sering	Bill	06/19/2025	Unit Turnaround- 807 Main St, 3A	-4,200,00
	Bill Pmt Check	06/19/2025 18472	Unit Turnaround- 807 Main St, 3A	-4,200,00
	Bill	06/19/2025	Unit Turnaround: 807 Main St. 3D	-15,000 00
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 18481	Unit Turnaround, 807 Main St. 3D	-15,000,00
IRS				10,000,00
	Bill	06/19/2025	D: 13-1867414, Tax Period 9/30/23, Form 941	7 25
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 18473	ID; 13-1867414, Tax Period 9/30/23, Form 941	.7.25
John G. Cruikshank			5: 60 0	
	Bill	06/05/2025	Accounting Services, May 2025	-2 400 00
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 18461	Accounting Services, May 2025	-2,400 00
Kimberlyn McIver				
	Bill	06/05/2025	ROSS Coordinator Fee	-2,569 50
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 18451	ROSS Coordinator Fee	-2 569 50
	Bill	06/19/2025	ROSS Coordinator Fees	-2,855 00
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 18483	ROSS Coordinator Fees	-2,855 00
Language Line Services, Inc				
	Biff	06/19/2025	Invoice 11630148, Interpretation Services	-43 75
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 18474	9022006502	-43 75
New York Power Authority				
	Bill	06/19/2025	Electricity, All Sites	-16,775 47
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 18475	Electricity, All Sites	-16,775.47
NYS and Local Retirement Systems				
	General Journal	06/05/2025 ERS	June ERS payt	3.109.11
NYS Employees' Health Insurance Pending A				22.5:2.5
	Bill	06/19/2025	Health Insurance Premium	-33,012,54
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 18476	Health Insurance Premium	-33 012 54
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	Bill Doct Observe	06/19/2025	Workers' Compensation Premium	-972 04 -972 04
	Bill Pmt Check	06/19/2025 18477	Workers' Compensation Premium	-972.04

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Name	Туре	Date	Num	Memo	Amount
Paychex					
	General Journal	06/05/2025 Pa	aychex	Paychex invoice	458 16
	General Journal	06/05/2025 Pa	aychex	Corestream	68 94
	General Journal	06/17/2025 Pa	aychex	Paychex invoice	466.86
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Pestech					
	Bill	06/05/2025		Invoice 1115322, Monthly Extermination Service	-857 52
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 18	3462	Invoice 1115322, Monthly Extermination Service	-857 52
	Bill	06/19/2025		Exterminator Services, account # 121584	-6,480.04
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 18	3482	Exterminator Services, account # 121584	-6,480.04
Pierro & Kamensky					
	Bill	06/19/2025		Legal Services for May 2025	-3,200 00
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 18	3484	Legal Services for May, 2025	-3,200.00
Pitney Bowes Global Financial Serv. LLC					
	Bill	06/19/2025		Postage Meter Refill	-42.08
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 18	1478	Postage Meter Refill	-42 08
Pizzella Brothers Inc.					
	Bill	06/16/2025		Curb Stop Repair at 1227 howard Street	-9,545 00
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 18-	485	Curb Stop Repair at 1227 howard Street	-9 545 00
Primo Brands					
	Bill	06/05/2025		In: 35D0602873333, Water dispenser and clear	-160 96
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 184	463	in 35D0602873333 Water dispenser and clear	-160 96
Pronto Printer					
	Bill	06/05/2025		Invoice 238819 Supplies for ROSS Programs	-890 00
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 184	452	Invoice 238819 Supplies for ROSS Programs	-890_00
Right-Trak Design Inc.					
	Bil	06/05/2025		Invoices 22219 22244 22245 22246	-3,238.75
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 184	464	Invoices 22219, 22244, 22245, 22246	-3,238 75
Robison Oil					
	General Journal	06/06/2025 Oil		Robison invoice	18 533 29
Safe Cloud, Inc.					
	Bill	06/05/2025		Invoice 9455 Monthly IT Services	-750 00
a tout a Boom	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 184	165	Invoice 9455, Monthly IT Services	-750,00
Suburban Propane					
	Bill	06/19/2025		Propane Delivery account # 1144-241563	-283 77
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 184	179	Propane Delivery account # 1144-241563	-283 77
Sun-Dance Energy Contractors Inc.					
	Bill	06/19/2025		nvoice 9308, Steam Fitter Repair- 1227 Howard	-5,720,79
7-th- Country Nov. Coun	Bill Pmt -Check	06/19/2025 184	180	nvoice 9308, Steam Fitter Repair- 1227 Howard	-5 720 79
Zuks Construction, Corp.	5.11				
	Bill	06/05/2025		nvoice 00454. Construction at 1719 Park	-19,672.00
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 184			-19,672.00
	Bill	06/05/2025		Engineer report and drawing balance	-2,390_00
	Bill Pmt -Check	06/05/2025 184	168	Engineer report and drawing balance	-2 390 00

PEEKSKILL HOUSING AUTHORITY Resolution Adoption of Video Camera Surveillance Policy

WHEREAS, the Peekskill Housing Authority (PHA) is committed to maintaining a safe and secure environment for its residents, staff, visitors, and contractors; and

WHEREAS, the use of video surveillance cameras in and around PHA properties is an important tool in promoting safety, deterring unlawful activity; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners recognizes the need to balance public safety with individual privacy rights; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has presented a comprehensive Video Camera Surveillance Policy outlining authorized use, access restrictions, signage, recording retention, and other operational procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Peekskill Housing Authority hereby adopts the Video Camera Surveillance Policy as presented, effective immediately;

	ESOLVED , that the Executive Direct ation, oversight, and compliance with	_	ll be
Commissioner	motioned to vote and Commissioner	sec	conded.
The vote is as follows:			

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Chairman Jacqueline Simpkins				
Vice Chairman Yvette Houston				
Commissioner Nicola Smith-Defreitas				
Commissioner Alicia Simmons				
Commissioner Dawn Benson				

I hereby certify that the above resolution is as the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Peekskill adopted.

Effective: July 24th, 2025	
J. Phalen, Executive Director	

PEEKSKILL HOUSING AUTHORITY RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SELECTION AND CONTRACTING OF MANCON LLC FOR FENCE REPAIRS

WHEREAS, the Peekskill Housing Authority ("PHA") was awarded \$83,000 under the 2024 Safety and Security Grant to fund fencing repairs and installation at Dunbar Heights, Turnkey Sites, and Bohlmann Towers; and

WHEREAS, proposals were received from WBE Site & Utilities and MANCON LLC, and evaluated based on past performance, price, HUD/BABA compliance, and MBE/WBE/Section 3 participation; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director recommends the selection of MANCON LLC, whose proposal demonstrated strong past performance, full regulatory compliance, and a complete scope of work aligned with grant requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Peekskill Housing Authority, that:

- 1. MANCON LLC is hereby selected to perform fencing repairs and installation services
- 2. The Executive Director is authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with MANCON LLC and take all necessary steps to implement the project using grant funds.

Commissioner	motioned to vote and Commissioner	seconded
The vote is as follows:		

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Chairman Jacqueline Simpkins				
Vice Chairman Yvette Houston				
Commissioner Nicola Smith-Defreitas				
Commissioner Alicia Simmons				
Commissioner Dawn Benson				

I hereby certify that the above resolution is as the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Peekskill adopted.

Effective:	June 26 th , 2025
J. Phalen,	Executive Director