

NEW PEOPLES BANKSHARES INC  
Form 8-K  
May 09, 2011

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**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 9, 2011

**New Peoples Bankshares, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

000-33411  
(Commission  
File Number)

31-1804543  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

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

**24260**  
(Zip Code)

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

(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))

**Item 4.01 Change in Registrant's Certifying Accountant.**

On May 9, 2011 the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors (the Audit Committee) of New Peoples Bankshares, Inc. (the Company) approved the engagement of Elliott Davis, LLC (Elliott Davis) as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the Company's 2011 fiscal year.

During the fiscal years ended December 31, 2009 and December 31, 2010 and during the period from January 1, 2011 through May 9, 2011, neither the Company nor anyone on its behalf has consulted with Elliott Davis regarding (i) the application of accounting principles to a specific transaction, either completed or proposed; or the type of audit opinion that might be rendered on the Company's financial statements; or (ii) any matter that was the subject of a disagreement within the meaning of Item 304(a)(1)(iv), or any reportable event within the meaning of Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K.

The decision to change the Company's registered public accounting firm was approved by the Audit Committee.

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.

Date: May 9, 2011

By: /s/ C. TODD ASBURY

Name: C. Todd Asbury

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer