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NOTICE

The regular meeting of the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees will be held on Thursday, August 8th, 2013, at 10:30 a.m. in the Main Conference Room 1.100A, First Floor, DHCD in Crownsville.

Committee Meetings 9:30 a.m.

Survey, Registration, Community
Education & Museums – OPS Open Area

Management & Planning, Room 3.114

Capital Programs, Room 3.120

Board Meeting 10:30 a.m.

Lunch 1:00 p.m.

This notice given July 9th, 2013.

J. Rodney Little
Director

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Maryland Department of Planning
MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
August 8, 2013

Conference Room 1.100A, 100 Community Place, Crownsville, MD
Committee Meeting 9:30 a.m.; Board Meeting 10:00 a.m.

AGENDA

- G1 CALL TO ORDER

- G2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- G3 COMMITTEE REPORTS

- G100 Capital Programs
- G101 Presentation by John Brooks on proposed Crittenton Project
- G102R Oyster Schooner Kathryn M. Lee Loan Amendment
- G103R Reassignment of FY2012 AAHPP Grant for Wilmer's Park

- G200 Survey, Registration, Community Education & Museums
- G201 Maryland Historical Trust History Day Prize Presentation – Kiley Hurst
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- G303R MHT Board Bylaws Amendment – Voting by Ex Officio Members
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**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING**

August 8, 2013

Department of Housing and Community Development, Crownsville, MD 21032

Pursuant to notice, the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT or Trust) was held in Conference Room A of the Department of Housing and Community Development, 100 Community Place, Crownsville, MD on August 8, 2013.

Trustees present: Ms. Bailey and Messrs. Delgado, Edson, Luckenbach, Poffenberger, Stek, and Turner.

Ex Officio: Deputy Secretary of Planning Amanda S. Conn; Kristen Harbeson for Delegate Maggie McIntosh.

Area Representatives present: Messrs. Azola, Brown, Callan, and Reed.

Assistant Attorney General: Rieyn DeLony.

Staff: Rodney Little, Elizabeth Hughes, Anne Raines, Susan Langley, Peter Morrill, Michael Day, Amy Skinner, and Kathy Monday.

Guests: Al Barry, AB Associates; Tim Hearn, Colliers International/Baltimore; John Brooks; James Hershner, Hamilton Bank; Jackie Hurst; Kiley Hurst; Auni Gelles and Aaron Heinsman, Maryland Humanities Council.

**Committee Only*

G1 CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Edson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. A quorum of Trustees was present.

G2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Luckenbach made a motion, seconded by Ms. Bailey, that the June 6, 2013 minutes be approved as submitted. The motion was approved unanimously.

G3 COMMITTEE REPORTS

G100 Capital Programs

G101R Presentation by John Brooks on proposed Crittenton Project

Michael Day provided an overview of the Trust's involvement with the Crittenton property, a mid-19th century stone house located near the Hampden community in Baltimore City. At the June 6th Board meeting, the Board approved an amendment to the Crittenton Historic Preservation Easement that would permit new construction with the express consent of the Director of the Maryland Historical Trust. At that meeting, the Board indicated its desire to review and approve the development proposal for the property, rather than delegate that authority to staff for action. He noted that the Trust's Easement Committee had reviewed the developer's conceptual plans property and had recommended approval of the design concept that included the construction of 19 new townhomes on the site (Crittenton Hill Proposed Site Plan Option D).

John Brooks made a presentation on the evolution of development proposals for the site and answered questions from the Board.

Mr. Luckenbach made a motion to approve the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Bailey, which was unanimously approved.

RESOLVED, that the Board approves Crittenton Hill Proposed Site Plan Option D.

G102R Oyster Schooner Kathryn M. Lee Loan Amendment

Anne Raines reported that the Oyster Schooner Kathryn M. Lee was one of four vessels to benefit from loan funds offered under a special set-aside from the MHT Loan Program for skipjacks and oyster dredging vessels. Since the borrower chose to amortize the loan over twenty years, but the loan term was ten years, the terms of the Mortgage Note required a balloon payment of outstanding principal and interest after ten years. This payment, totaling nearly \$20,000, was due on December 1, 2012. The borrower, who harvests oysters and runs skipjack sailing tours for a living, is unable to make the balloon payment and has requested to extend the term of the loan to twenty years so that he may continue making modest monthly payments of principal and interest until the loan is repaid.

It should also be noted that the repairs to the schooner have not been completed, and the vessel has not been on the water since before 2002, so the owner currently has no income from her. Captain Farley, the majority owner, also owns the Skipjack H.M. Krentze, which is the vessel he uses for oystering and sailing tours. Captain Farley also financed repairs to that skipjack in 2002 through the MHT Loan Program's skipjack set-aside, and in fact repaid that loan earlier than required.

Anne Raines reported that she had conducted a site visit to see the vessel and showed current photographs of the vessel's condition. Captain Farley was present to answer questions.

Dr. Delgado made a motion to approve the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Bailey, which was unanimously approved.

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2001, the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees recommended to the Secretary of DHCD the making of a loan under the Maryland Historical Trust Loan Program (the "Program") of up to Thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) from the MHT Loan Fund (the

“Loan”) to Oyster Schooner Kathryn M. Lee, LLC (the “Borrower”), for repairs to the Oyster Schooner Kathryn M. Lee, located in Talbot County (the “Project”). The Loan has a ten year term with a twenty year amortization period of, and an interest rate of 2% per year. The Loan closed on March 7, 2002, and is evidenced by a loan note dated March 7, 2002 (the “Note”); and

WHEREAS, the maturity date of the Note was December 1, 2012 (the “Maturity Date”);

WHEREAS, the Borrower used the Loan to carry out the Project in compliance with the Loan documents. The Loan funds were expended on supplies which have been used for the completed repairs. Captain Farley performed the majority of the repairs himself, but has not been able to complete all the repairs needed to make the vessel seaworthy. In addition, Captain Farley has acquired the membership interest of the only other member of the limited liability company that owns the schooner, in order to keep the business viable.

WHEREAS, the Borrower is unable to make the balloon payment currently due and payable pursuant to the Note, and has requested a modification of the Note to extend the Maturity Date for an additional ten (10) years.

RESOLVED, that the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees recommends to the Secretary of Planning a modification to the Note to extend the Maturity Date for ten additional years for a revised Maturity Date of December 1, 2022, with regular monthly payments of principal and interest based on the existing twenty-year amortization schedule.

G103R Reassignment of FY2012 AAHPP Grant for Wilmer’s Park

Anne Raines reported that the Arthur W. Wilmer Foundation, LLC (the “Original Grantee”) received a \$100,000 FY2012 AAHPP grant (the “Original Grant”) for repairs to the Dance Hall at Wilmer’s Park, a sports and entertainment center for African Americans during segregation. The Original Grantee has been unresponsive to requests for documentation required to fund the Original Grant, and a grant agreement was never executed.

The Maryland Department of Budget and Management advises that the Original Grant funds may be redirected to other AAHPP projects funded in the same fiscal year, subject to BPW approval and modification of those grant agreements. Redirecting the Original Grant allows two FY2012 projects that received partial funding to become fully funded (the Bauernschmidt Mansion at the Great Blacks in Wax Museum, and the Loving & Charity Hall), and the top-ranked non-funded FY2012 project to receive partial funding (the Mt. Zion AME Church).

Anne Raines reported that the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture Resolutions taken met on June 3, 2013 where they passed a resolution recommending to the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees that the FY2012 AAHPP grant to The National Great Blacks in Wax Museum for the Bauernschmidt Mansion project be increased by \$47,000, that the FY2012 AAHPP grant to the Warren Historic Site Committee for the Loving & Charity Hall project be increased by \$37,000,

and that a \$16,000 FY2012 AAHPP grant be awarded to Greater Mt. Zion Community for the Mt Zion AME Church Project, all contingent on approval by the Board of Public Works.

Mr. Reed made a motion to approve the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Bailey, which was unanimously approved.

RESOLVED, that the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees concurs with the recommendations of the Maryland Commission on African American History and Culture, and contingent upon Maryland Board of Public Works approval, to (i) increase the FY2012 AAHPP grant to The National Great Blacks in Wax Museum, Inc. for the Bauernschmidt Mansion project by \$47,000; (ii) increase the FY2012 AAHPP grant to the Warren Historic Site Committee, Inc. for the Loving & Charity Hall project by \$37,000; and (iii) approve the FY2012 AAHPP application from Greater Mt. Zion Community Organization, Inc. for a \$16,000 grant for the Mt Zion AME Church Project.

Mr. Turner recommended that Senate President Mike Miller be informed of the cancellation of the Wilmer's Park grant since the project is in his district.

G200 Survey, Registration, Community Education & Museums

G201 Maryland History Day Prize Presentation – Kiley Hurst

Bernie Callan reminded the Board of its sponsorship of an annual Maryland Historical Trust prize as part of Maryland History Day to reward middle and high school students whose projects have involved the identification and evaluation of historical and cultural resources as part of their research methodology or whose projects are designed to effect the protection of historical and cultural resources. The Board's annual \$500 donation supports two achievement awards – one in the junior division (grades 6 through 8) and one in the senior division (grades 9 through 12). Winners receive a cash prize and a plaque with the name of the Maryland Historical Trust, and sponsorship is also acknowledged in the Maryland History Day program, the National History Day program, and in press releases containing the names of Maryland History Day winners. In addition, schools receive information about the Maryland Historical Trust award at the time that History Day projects are solicited for the competition.

Kiley Hurst, a rising sophomore at Century High School in Carroll County, received the Maryland Historical Trust prize in the senior division. Her project was a paper entitled "The Creation of the National Park Service." Miss Hurst addressed the Board, describing her interest in History Day and the Park Service subject matter.

Aaron Heinsman, Director of Development for the Maryland Humanities Council, thanked the Board for its support of the History Day program.

G202 The Monterey 15577 Deep Water Expedition – Report

Dr. James P. Delgado reported on the second phase of an expedition to investigate a deep-water shipwreck in the Gulf of Mexico. The expedition team is comprised of federal and state government agencies, educational institutions, non-profit organizations, and the private sector who provided the funding for science and public benefit. MHT's Dr. Susan Langley was a key participant in the mission.

Investigations this year included highly detailed systematic mapping and photography and the limited recovery of diagnostic artifacts and biological and geological samples in order to attempt to identify the nature of the vessel, its nationality or point of origin, and historic context. Preliminary results indicate the vessel dates to the first quarter of the 19th century and the lines of the hull are comparable to those of the Baltimore schooners popular with privateers during the war of 1812 and after the war many of these sailed south to join other colonies around the Gulf of Mexico seeking their independence. The vessel studied seems to have been heading toward Galveston when it was lost. Two other targets nearby were also visited to determine their nature and both are shipwrecks carrying cargoes that appear to be comparable in age. All three vessels appear to have sunk under catastrophic circumstances such as a hurricane, but if afloat would have been within sight of each other. Future expeditions will seek additional information about all three vessels and perhaps identify one or more or determine if they were associated with each other when lost.

G300 Management & Planning

G301R Exempt Procurement Procedures

Ms. Hughes reported that the Trust has certain exemptions from State procurement law under §11-203(a)(1)(x) of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland (the "Article") and regulations set forth in COMAR 21.01.03.01 (23)(a) and (b). Pursuant to the Article and the regulations, MHT is exempt from state procurement regulations in those cases where MHT is procuring services for "surveying and evaluating architecturally, archaeologically, or culturally significant properties; and, other than as to architectural services, preparing historic preservation planning documents and educational materials."

Section 12-401 of the Article requires each unit of State government with a procurement exemption to have a written policy and procedures for the exempted unit's procurements. These policies and procedures must be approved by the MHT Board of Trustees.

Procedures for use of MHT's procurement exemptions were distributed for the Board's review and approval. These procedures describe the types of procurements that are exempt and the methods of procurement that are to be used when exercising the procurement exemptions.

Mr. Callan made a motion to approve the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Luckenbach, which was unanimously approved.

RESOLVED, that the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees adopts the procedures for use of the Maryland Historical Trust procurement exemption as more fully described in Attachment I.

G302R Heritage Preservation Fund Project Selection

Mr. Callan reminded the Board that at its December 7, 2006 meeting, the Board approved the Maryland Heritage Preservation Fund Disposition Policy (subsequently amended on February 1, 2007 and on November 29, 2007) and directed MHT staff to prepare specific project proposals, in accordance with that Policy, for funding from the Fund. Under the Policy, eligible projects include those representing significant “targets of opportunity” or high priority projects or programs to be initiated and conducted by the Trust which are not funded by the Trust’s appropriated state budget.

Based on the Maryland Heritage Preservation Fund Disposition Policy, total approvals for expenditures from the Fund for FY14 shall not exceed six percent of the value of the Fund (contributions to the Fund, income, and appreciation) based on a four year rolling average of the Fund’s market value minus any prior commitments not yet expended and by any restricted funds and interest earned on these funds that are included in the Fund. Calculations based on the June 30, 2013 valuation of the MHT Board Heritage Preservation Fund show that the Board may expend up to \$147,718.63 in FY2014.

Mr. Callan reported that the Heritage Preservation Fund Disposition Committee reviewed 9 requests totaling \$118,549 in funds. The Committee is recommending funding 8 of these requests totaling \$98,549 in expenditures.

Mr. Callan made a motion to approve the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Turner, which was unanimously approved.

RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Historical Trust, that an expenditure of up to \$98,549 from the MHT Heritage Preservation Fund in fiscal year 2014 to support the following projects is approved:

- Up to \$8,000 for Developing an Online Collections database at JPPM;
- Up to \$41,425 for the MHT Easement Inspector full time contractual position;
- Up to \$22,624 for the MHT Easement Processor part time contractual position;
- Up to \$500 for the Maryland Humanities Council History Day Prize;
- Up to \$5,000 for the 2014 MHT Board’s Preservation Awards Presentation and Reception;
- Up to \$3,000 for MHT Staff Recognition Awards;
- Up to \$15,000 for MHT Staff Training; and,
- Up to \$3,000 for the Wallpaper Conservation Assessment at the Patterson House.

G303R MHT Board Bylaws Amendment – Voting by Ex Officio Members

Ms. DeLony reminded the Board that § 5A-313 (a) (2) of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Maryland Annotated Code provides that the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates, or their designees (see § 5A-313 (b)), are ex officio trustees of the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT). Both are legislative members of the General Assembly.

Both the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates presently serve on the Board by virtue of their offices, with the same powers and duties as the other Board trustees.

Ms. DeLony explained that recent letters of opinion from the Office of the Attorney General have concluded that the inclusion of members of the legislative branch on executive branch boards and commissions could violate (i) the separation of powers of Article 8 of the Maryland Declaration of Rights, or (ii) the prohibition against plural office holding found in Article III, Section 11 of the State Constitution, because such inclusion may result in the exercise of sovereign power of the State by the legislative branch.

Ms. DeLony recommended several amendments to MHT's bylaws which would eliminate the voting rights and the quorum eligibility of the General Assembly members of the Board as a solution to this conflict. The proposed amendments are as follows:

Article III

Section 1. Appointment. The Trustees' membership of 15 is established by Section 5A-313 of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. One member (the Governor or an authorized representative) serves ex officio. Two members (the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Delegates, or their authorized representatives) serve ex officio as non-voting members (the "Non-Voting Members"). The Governor appoints the remaining 12 with the advice and consent of the Senate for staggered four-year terms commencing on July 1. At the expiration of a term, a trustee remains a trustee and continues to exercise the powers of his office until a successor is appointed and qualifies, unless the trustee resigns or is removed from office as provided by law. In the event that an appointed Trustee for any reason fails to serve or to complete a term, a successor is appointed by the Governor for the remainder of the term.

Article IV

Section 5. Quorum. Eight Trustees not including the Non-Voting Members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting for the conduct of the business of the Trust.

Article IV

Section 6. Voting. The Non-Voting Members shall have no right to vote on any matter brought before the Trust, and shall serve in an advisory capacity only. All other Trustees shall be entitled to one vote, in person. Except as otherwise provided by law or these Bylaws, all actions of the Trustees shall require the majority affirmative vote of those Trustees present. There shall be no voting by proxy. Meetings and votes may be conducted through telephone conference calls, provided that each participant can communicate with all other participants. The minutes of Trustees meetings shall record the vote of each Trustee on each action. If no Trustee votes against a proposed action, the vote shall be recorded as unanimously in favor; if any one or more Trustees vote "no", the minutes shall record the names of those voting "yes" and those voting "no", and all those present not so recorded shall be deemed to have abstained.

Mr. Luckenbach made a motion to approve the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Harbeson, which was unanimously approved.

RESOLVED, that the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees (the “Board”) adopts amendments to Article III, Section 1, Article IV, Section 5, and Article IV, Section 6 of the Bylaws of the Maryland Historical Trust to eliminate the voting rights and the quorum eligibility of the General Assembly members of the Board.

G304R Heritage Preservation Fund Committee Appointments

Ms. Hughes reminded the Board that a Grant Agreement was entered into on December 15, 1994, and subsequently extended in 2002 and again in 2004, by the Maryland Historical Trust (MHT) and Preservation Maryland (PM) to establish a fund (the “Fund”) held and managed by PM and dedicated for historic preservation projects throughout the State. Interest earned on the Fund supports the Preservation Maryland Heritage Grant Program. Currently, the Grant Selection Committee meets three times per year to evaluate and select grant projects for funding.

The Selection Committee has seven members: three appointed by the Board of Trustees of PM; three appointed by the Board of Trustees of MHT; and one selected jointly by the President of PM and the Chairman of the MHT Board of Trustees. Selection Committee members serve two-year terms.

The terms of all MHT appointments to the Selection Committee as well as the MHT/PM Joint appointment have expired as noted below:

Member	Appointment	County	Term Expiration
Martin Azola	Joint	Baltimore	12/31/12
Samuel Parker, Chair	PM	Prince George’s	9/30/14
David Benn	PM	Baltimore City	9/30/14
John Petro	PM	Prince George’s	9/30/15
Howard Buchanan	MHT	Allegany	12/31/12
W. Dickerson Charlton	MHT	Prince George’s	12/31/12
Barrie Tilghman	MHT	Wicomico	12/31/12

Note: Barrie Tilghman was appointed in August 2012 to fill the unexpired term of Monica Henley who resigned from the Board.

Reappointment of Dick Charlton and Barrie Tilghman to the Selection Committee is proposed; appointment of Harry Spikes is proposed to replace Howard Buchanan. The identification of a joint appointment is still under discussion by PM and MHT. Terms of the Committee members, which are not proscribed by the MHT/PM Grant Agreement, are proposed to run on a state fiscal year cycle.

Ms. Luckenbach made a motion to approve the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Bailey, which was unanimously approved.

RESOLVED, that the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees appoints Dick Charlton, Barrie Tilghman, and Harry Spikes to the Heritage Grant Program Selection Committee for a two year term beginning July 1, 2013 and ending on June 30, 2015.

G305R Howard Buchanan – Resolution of Thanks

Mr. Little reported that Howard Buchanan has indicated that he must resign from the Board due to health issues. The Board agreed that he would be greatly missed and passed the following resolution expressing their appreciation for this 28 years of service to the Board.

Ms. Bailey made a motion to approve the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Callan, which was unanimously approved.

Whereas the Maryland Historical Trust was created in 1961 as an instrumentality of the State of Maryland for the purpose of preserving, protecting, and enhancing districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects significant in the prehistory, history, upland and underwater archeology, architecture, engineering, and culture of the State, to encourage others to do so and to promote interest in and study of such matters; and

Whereas Howard Buchanan has served the Trust as a member of the Board of Trustees since 1985 and as its chairman from 1989 to 1992; and

Whereas this 28 year career on the Board renders him the longest serving Trustee in the history of the Trust; and

Whereas Howard Buchanan provided dedicated service to the Board as the Trust's representative on the Canal Place Preservation and Development Authority and as the Authority's Chairman; and

Whereas his passion for the protection and interpretation of the historical and cultural resources of Allegany County is reflected in the many years he volunteered with the Allegany County Historical Society and assisted on countless preservation projects in the Cumberland area; and

Whereas Howard Buchanan's commitment to the preservation of our shared heritage is matched only by his gentle nature, his compassion for others and his dedication to what is fair and right;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees wishes to express its deep appreciation to Howard Buchanan for his 28 years of service to the Board and to thank him for his support of historic preservation in Allegany County.

G306 Interim Actions of the Executive Committee

**MHT Board Interim Conference Call
July 12, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.**

MHT Board Executive Committee: Edson, Chair; Luckenbach, Bailey, Poffenberger

MHT Staff: Rodney Little, Elizabeth Hughes, Nell Ziehl

Ms. Ziehl reported that MHT received project applications from six certified local governments (CLG) this year totaling \$99,353. In addition, requests totaling \$29,799 were received to support CLG commissioner and staff training activities. Staff rated and ranked all applications and are presenting funding recommendation to the Board's executive committee for action today due to the time sensitive nature of the CLG Subgrant Program. Because these are prior year federal funds, all funds must be encumbered by September 30, 2013.

Mr. Luckenbach made a motion to approve the following resolution, seconded by Ms. Bailey, which was unanimously approved.

RESOLVED, that the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees approves federal FY 2013 Certified Local Government Grants-in-Aid in the amount of up to \$75,719 as set forth below, which have been approved by the State Historic Preservation Officer:

1. **City of Annapolis** – Up to \$25,000 to prepare a cultural resource hazard mitigation plan to address the threat associated with sea-level rise and flooding; City will engage Annapolis residents, business owners, and local and state public officials in the development of a plan and implementation strategy.
2. **City of Cambridge** – Up to \$6,000 to update the local historic district design guidelines through citizen input, add illustrations and photos, and improve design and usability in both print and electronic format.
3. **Charles County** – Up to \$15,000 to hire a professional archaeologist to undertake development review in accordance with the Charles County Subdivision Code and Zoning Ordinance. The consultant would assist in the development of detailed procedures for archaeological review in Charles County.
4. **Montgomery County** – Up to \$9,000 to continue the Residential Energy Audit, through which 20 historic residential properties received energy audits, by testing out and re-auditing those properties to document energy savings.
5. **Maryland Association of Historic District Commissions (on behalf of eligible CLGs)** – Up to \$7,400 to provide educational and training programs for historic preservation commissions and up to \$11,319 to provide scholarships for historic preservation commissioners and staff to attend the 2014 National Alliance of Preservation Commissions' Forum in Philadelphia, PA. Forum is the only national historic preservation educational event that provides training specifically for historic preservation commissioners and staff. MAHDC will receive an administrative fee of \$2,000 to distribute funds.

Ms. Ziehl noted that the City of Cambridge and Charles County have newly applied for CLG status; funding will not be released unless the National Park Service concurs with certification.

Mr. Little reported that preparation of the FY2014 budget had begun and that the Trust would be working to reauthorize the Sustainable Communities Tax Credit during the 2014 legislative session.

Ms. Hughes reported on the status of federal Historic Preservation Fund appropriations for FY2014 and on the impact of tax reform on the future of the federal Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit.

G308 Litigation & Legal Issues – Report

Ms. DeLony reported that there are currently no litigation or legal issues to report.

Announcements

Mr. Edson reminded the Board that the next meeting, scheduled for October 3, 2013, would take place in Chestertown and would be hosted by MHT Board member and Chestertown Mayor Margo Bailey.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 PM.

Mr. Charles L. Edson, Chair

J. Rodney Little, Director