MARYLAND ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ARCHAEOLOGY (MACA)

June 10, 2020

Committee Members in Attendance

Bruce Terrel, Don Housley, Jane Cox, Robert Wall, Stephen Brighton, Mariam Creveling, Joy Beasley

Staff in Attendance

Matt McKnight, Susan Langley, Dixie Henry, Patricia Samford, Elizabeth Hughes, Karen Golder, Zac Singer, Paul Cucuzzella

The meeting called to order at 1:01 p.m.

Review of the minutes March 4, 2020 MACA meeting minutes

The March 4, 2020 minutes were reviewed and accepted in a motion made by Don Housley and seconded by Robert Wall; the motion was passed unanimously.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Report from the Director — Elizabeth Hughes

MHT Director Elizabeth Hughes reported that the Fiscal Year 2021 budget includes \$300,000 for the Non Capital Historic Preservation Grant Program and \$215,000 in capital funds for design of the MAC Lab expansion project. Although MHT remains in a hard hiring freeze, the agency is not facing staffing reductions presently.

A bill passed this year by the Maryland General Assembly— HB 21, Abandoned Property in Possession of a Museum, 2020 Md. Laws, ch. 28, effective October 1, 2020—establishes a process for museums to clear title to abandoned property and property for which the owner cannot be located. Processes for clearing title outlined in this bill should assist in those situations where archaeological excavations occurred without deeds of gift having been sought from property owners on whose land the excavation took place.

Chief Archaeologist Report—Matt McKnight

Much of the last 3 months has been spent adjusting to the new normal of telephone and video meetings, and the "struggle" with technology due to Covid-19.

Staff completed summer intern interviews. The selection cmte. consisted of Matt McKnight, Zac Singer, Dixie Henry, and Troy Nowak. Eight complete application packages were received by the 2/12/2020 deadline and staff interviewed 4 candidates, selecting Dakota Kalavoda, a senior at Lycoming College in PA. Staff hope to get Dakota on board this month.

Also in early March staff made the decision to postpone both the Workshop in Archaeology (March 30) and the Annual Field Session (May 22-June 1).

On March 16 and 17 staff were able to conduct some fieldwork at Ft. Frederick State Park. They utilized the new Emlid GNSS base and rover system to document remnants of the CCC encampment at the fort. Staff hope to go back this summer with the intern to carry out a shovel testing survey east of the fort. Other March fieldwork included completing GPR data collection with Zac at the Raven Site in Howard County. That work led to the identification of a large foundation remnant that may be the remains of the manor house for Hutchcraft's Fortune.

Other March activities included working with Nell Ziehl on an blog for Maryland Day and working to scan slides and edit text for the Field Session Storymap that would be featured for Maryland Archeology Month.

Maryland Archeology Month (MAM) launched in April, which Charlie Hall will report on. Much of Matt's time in April was dedicated to scrambling to create digital content to compensate for the sudden lack of MAM events due to Covid-19. Matt released an online lecture on the Contact component at Biggs Ford, coordinated with Zac on his video lecture and blog post, and worked with Kelly Palich of Howard County Parks on a blog post about the Raven Site. Matt also formatted and edited all of the blog posts in Wordpress and set up Facebook posts related to MAM.

In April Matt completed formatting MD Archeology Volume 53, Issue 1 featuring the Kirby Farm report as well as a short piece by Zac. The issue was mailed out to the ASM membership in April.

On April 9 and 10, Matt, Zac, and Charlie worked with Stephanie Sperling (M-NCPPC) to carry out remote sensing in the east field at Billingsley. Matt also dedicated a significant amount of time to related GIS work.

Later in April, Matt completed draft chapters for the Billingsley field report on the remote sensing prior to the 2019 field session there and on the history of the property as revealed through archival research.

In April, we began planning for the May launch of the FY2021 Non-Capital Grant round, participating in several on-line meetings and conference calls. Matt worked with Heather Barrett and Alison Luthern to record a workshop on the program and application process (released on Youtube in early June). Intent to Apply forms are due July 17 and full applications are due August 28. Full details are available on the MHT webpage.

On April 23, Matt and Zac responded to an emergency call w/ Anne Arundel County's fire and rescue division. They needed emergency access to remote sensing equipment due to a report of buried munitions. No munitions were found, but the area was "cleared".

On May 4, 5, and then again on May 26, 27, and 28 staff conducted fieldwork at Merkle WMA, where they carried out MagSusc and Gradiometry in the north end of a hay field where human remains had previously eroded out of the wall of a goose blind. Staff also carried out metal detecting and shovel testing in the woods to the north of the field. Data are still being processed, but it appears that a colonial (likely 18th C.) site has been identified based on some heavily

patinated olive bottle glass, a sherd of Rhenish or maybe British Brown, and a linked-style glass button, tobacco pipe fragments, and some other artifacts

Towards the end of May, Matt completed review of the draft Billinglsey site report by AAHA and forwarded on his comments.

On May 29, Matt participated in the ASM Board Meeting and reported on MHT activities.

In early June Matt has mostly been working on preliminary research related to the upcoming Maryland Semiquincentennial (on the archaeological potential of Rochambeau's encampments) and on a research proposal to partner with NPS (Josh Torres) on some remote sensing work on NPS properties.

<u>Underwater Activities Report</u> — Susan Langley

As a follow-up to information in the Minutes of the last meeting, Susan reported that the Liberty Ship *John W. Brown* sought advice regarding potential sources of funding for the restoration of the pier at the Maritime Applied Physics Corporation. The latter is still willing to partner but at present, due to constraints imposed by the pandemic and reduced income, it does not want to proceed. However, the liberty ship is proceeding to seek funding.

Despite the cancellation of all the events in March and April, MMAP has continued to be consistently busy.

Although she completed her final elected term on the Advisory Council on Underwater Archaeology (ACUA), Susan was appointed to a two-year term as an Independent Associate and asked to continue to serve as the Governmental Affairs Liaison, at the 2020 Society for Historical Archaeology (SHA) meetings in Boston in January. As she sits on the UNESCO, Governmental Affairs, and Heritage at Risk (climate change) Committees, as well as Chairing the Government Maritime Managers Meeting, Susan is working to determine meeting platform limitations for the 2021 "virtual" SHA Conference.

At present, the United Nations is ramping up for the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (abbreviated as Ocean Decade) and established 17 goals to achieve between 2021-2030. In the initial planning, culture and submerged heritage were not considered. Representatives of ACUA/SHA and the UNESCO Committee joined with European representatives and members of ICOMOS to raise this concern and pointed to the UN International Convention on the Underwater Cultural Heritage (ICUCH) to request redress of the omission and it was accepted. On June 8, ACUA members were invited to participate in a UNESCO Webinar of 10 presentations each demonstrating connections and contributions to various of the 17 goals. One of these goals pertains to climate change, which continues to play a significant role in upcoming planning and projects.

The annual Capitol Hill Ocean Week (CHOW), organized by the National Marine Sanctuary Foundation, was compressed into a very full one-day virtual conference on June 9. It was an

excellent networking opportunity and a recording of the entire meeting is available at: capitolhilloceanweek.org. Taylor Goelz, a graduate student and NOAAs liaison to the Ocean Decade, has expressed an interest in working with MMAP to ensure submerged cultural heritage is also included in her submissions.

Susan has participated in a NOAA webinar addressing development of Ocean Acidification Action Planning, in an online meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Regional Council on the Ocean (MARCO), and in the Mid-Atlantic Ocean Forum 2020. At all of these she inquired about the status of maritime historic and archaeological resources in these plans and only one State acknowledged referencing these resources but most were quite surprised and acknowledged the omission. On June 9 and 10, a professor from the Chesapeake Biological Laboratory contacted Susan followed by a graduate student from UMES, who stated she is writing the Ocean Acidification Action Plan for Maryland through MDE and DNR, but wanted to understand how to include heritage resources. Susan will work with her to this end.

George Mason University has established a new Environmental Center and is working with the Roy Rosenzweig Center for History and New Media to seek NEH funding for a project called "Above the Waves" which will develop a digital recording template and "toolkit" for use by citizen scientists to record sites threatened by climate. They have asked for Susan's assistance on an advisory committee for the project.

The first Superintendent of the Mallows Bay-Potomac River National Marine Sanctuary (MPNMS) has been appointed and it is Paul "Sammy" Orlando, who has represented NOAA since the beginning. On May 15, NOAA posted the notice of the establishment of the Sanctuary Advisory Council (SAC) for the MPNMS on the Federal Register. As MPNMS is the first jointly managed sanctuary, MDP, DNR, and Charles County all played a role in the design of the SAC and will also participate in the evaluation and selection process. The SAC has 15 voting seats and 15 alternates as well as a non-voting Youth Seat and a number of non-voting state, federal and tribal representatives. More information and the application forms are available at: https://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/mallows-potomac/. The deadline for application is July 1, 2020.

Because of the pandemic, Chesapeake Conservancy asked if the Sanctuary managing groups would mind if an audio-tour could be released as a story map to offer virtual tours. The managing groups had participated in various forms. Susan wrote 8 of the 15 scripts. The story map can be viewed at:

http://chescon.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapTour/index.html?appid=9b7f368b9b5d460c937d90dd107bd1df

Chesapeake Conservancy also developed a paddling tour with different itineraries:

http://chescon.maps.arcgis.com/apps/Shortlist/index.html?appid=5c93833c41cb4aba98086328eccea453

In developing the audio-tour and through the experiences of the management team, cell phone signal strength has become a concern. Beyond the audio-tour, there are safety concerns in that only Verizon has a consistent signal in the area. Improving connectivity is a critical concern. A

fatality (kayaker who had a diabetic seizure) and two fires on a vessel, all prior to the establishment of the Sanctuary, are among the concerns to be addressed in safety and contingency planning. NOAA has contracted a consultant to assist in compiling infrastructure needs. The Regional Response Team III and Area Contingency Planning Committee for the U.S. Coast Guard has expressed an interest in holding an exercise in the area and has asked for a presentation at its next meeting in early December.

Troy reports that compliance work has not subsided in the slightest. He made two site visits recently and has been coordinating with the Coast Guard. They had planned to demolish the Hambrooks Bar lighthouse without following required compliance steps. The demolition scheduled for June 12 has now been stopped by the Coast Guard.

MMAP survey fieldwork on the Wicomico River on the Western Shore has been postponed until it can be determined if hotel and restaurant facilities are determined to be safe in light of the pandemic.

A request from a company undertaking an AUV survey of the bathymetry of the Potomac for the Navy asked if they could also survey two wrecks in the area. They are willing to share all of their data. No permit is required for non-intrusive survey but it led to Susan and Jennie Cosham finding discrepancies with the site forms for these wrecks and these were difficult to resolve through Medusa. This led to requesting NOAA nautical charts be added as background map options on Medusa. NOAA is ceasing production of paper charts but do have historic charts and modern charts electronically available. Greg is willing to address this.

Craig Lukezic, from the Patuxent Naval Station, has proposed undertaking a side scan and magnetometer survey off Fort Point at Webster Field. He is interested in trying to locate any submerged landform that might indicate the locus of the site in order to determine if it might have eroded through storm action. Depending on the result of this survey, there may be a permit request to test for a debris field and PAX has expressed a willingness to cover conservation costs, if any artifacts are encountered in the second phase.

Teleworking has spawned a plethora of weekly trainings, webinars, and online workshops, which both Susan and Tory attended.

Troy is also working with the Battle of the Atlantic Research and Expedition Group (BAREG) to help them develop a training program and to assist them in preparing a grant application to undertake advanced survey and study of the U-1105.

In April, the State Highway Administration asked MMAP to remove its large boat from the indoor storage bay in Stevensville. They have agreed that the boat can still be stored in the locked compound but since it is nearly 20 years old, outdoor storage will see a marked and rapid deterioration from exposure to extremes of weather and temperatures. Horn Point Laboratory offered storage space but it would also be outdoors. While MHT has requested land on the Crownsville grounds, funds for even a relatively inexpensive shed are unlikely to be available due to the current economic downturn.

<u>Terrestrial Activities Report</u> — Charlie Hall

April was Maryland Archeology Month (MAM). This year's theme was *Partners Pursuing the Past: 50 Field Sessions in Maryland Archeology*. All Committee members were part of the 800-piece mailing that was delivered on time near the beginning of April. Also successfully launched were the MAM website, hosted by the ASM and created by Silas Hurry, and a StoryMap. The StoryMap was a collaboration between MHT, Cassandra Michaud, and Greg Katz: a map-based tour of the past 49 Field Sessions. With the COVID-19 emergency declared in mid-March, most in-person events were canceled or postponed. Creative efforts to fill the void and feed the need for archaeology-related content during the month were undertaken by Matt McKnight, Zac Singer, and Nate Salzman of MHT, and Kelly Palich of Howard County. Three archaeology-related blogs were also posted by MHT during the month. MHT will watch the legislature to see if our planned distribution of a poster, booklet and magnet to each member can be timed for a special session. In these ways we hope some of the 1200 booklets, 750 full-sized posters, and 600 mini-posters still in our basement lab can be distributed to the public.

Charlie wrote a proposal for the disposition of the Biggs Ford collection for the Frederick County Community College. The agreement made with the site's owners that allowed the Field Session to take place there in 2013, 2014, and 2015, provided that MHT would seek a repository for the collection that was located in Frederick County. The proposal contrasted two options for the college: a loan of part or all of the collection, or a gift of the entire collection. Pros and cons of each were detailed. MHT has heard that the proposal was well received, but have not yet received word of which option they prefer. The Crum family (property owners) will be approached when this is known.

The Trust was contacted by the National NAGPRA staff to remind us of our ongoing consultation responsibilities with regard to seven recently recognized Virginia Tribes. On April 9 letters were sent to each of these tribes along with our revised inventory. MHT invited the tribes to comment regarding our determination that all of the remains in our care were culturally unaffiliated, and our expectation that we would respond favorably to an anticipated request for the return of the Accokeek Creek remains from the State recognized Piscataway tribes. We received a quick response from the Pamunkey Indian Tribe that posed thoughtful questions. Following receipt of our responses, they felt no need for further consultation and noted that they would not object to a request from the Piscataway for return of the Accokeek Creek remains. We also received a response from the Monacan Indian Nation that they do not wish to be part of any consultation regarding the remains in our care.

Charlie received a single terrestrial permit request since the March meeting from Historic St Mary's City. It is a scaled-down version of their annual permit application as it only covers Emergency Mitigation Efforts, dropping their usual field school activities as this has been canceled for 2020. Emergency mitigation efforts are those for which there is very little lead time, will not be a gate-way to larger projects, and involve either monitoring or limited shovel testing only. In addition to regular updates on such efforts, an annual report detailing these mitigation

projects is also produced.

Charlie also received two permit-required reports for review from Historic St Mary's City. They covered the 2019 field school and the emergency mitigation efforts respectively. Both were favorably reviewed.

Three reports requested as a result of planned alterations to Trust easement properties have been received and reviewed since March. Comments on the reporting were provided to our Easement Administrator, and revised reports have been received and accepted.

As the Easement Committee has been meeting by executive committee since the COVID-19 emergency was declared, the Easement Administrator has solicited comments regarding archaeological concerns on those projects involving ground disturbance. Comments have been provided on 12 easement alteration applications.

Charlie received requests for information and guidance regarding six historic-aged cemeteries since March. Each of these has been treated as a request in compliance with Real Property article of Maryland Code § 14-121.1 that requires consultation with the Trust regarding either the proper treatment of markers, human remains, or the environment surrounding the burial site.

The Field Session, scheduled for May 22 through June 1 at the Billingsley site in Prince George's County, was postponed due to the COVID-19 emergency. Planned as a return with the aim of identifying the contact period Matapani and Patuxent occupation of the property that was documented in the Proceedings of the Maryland General Assembly in May of 1674. All logistical arrangements had been made, and the team was ready. Our hope is that the event can be reinvigorated in early October.

MAC Lab Activities Report — Patricia Samford

MAC Lab staff has been teleworking since March 13th and have been able to make good progress on a number of long-term projects that would not have been possible in a regular work environment. Becky has updated all the lab's loans to outside organizations and she has begun a detailed digital media inventory. Tricia and Sara, along with assistance from the collections technician, Alice Merkel, and conservators, Francis Lukezic and Heather Rovardi, have made substantial progress on the reformatting of the Diagnostic Artifacts in Maryland website to make it mobile friendly and searchable. Conservation staff and Sara have completed an x-radiography handbook, designed for use by CRM firms and other x-ray clients. The conservators are working on a rack card for x-radiography services. Tricia has been continuing to add new sites and data to the Maryland Unearthed website.

Public Archaeology – The decision was made to cancel the program in May due to the pandemic. Registered participants were notified and an announcement was placed on the website. The program may be rescheduled for later in the summer or early fall.

The lab, as well as other JPPM departments, have been asked to create regular digital content, since the park is not open for public programming. The MAC Lab is producing two weekly video series – Site Tour Saturdays and STEAM Sundays.

Kirsti Uunila worked with staff to film two videos on the Sukeek's Cabin site, and Ed Chaney was our talking head for three videos on the Smith St. Leonard Site. Three more videos are planned in this series—two on King's Reach and one on either the Stearns or Patterson Site, two Woodland period sites on the park grounds. The STEAM Sunday videos are designed to provide hands-on activities for students and their parents that are in line with science, technology, engineering, arts and math skills. Three videos were created on how archaeologists analyze soils, one on electrolytic reduction (not hands-on, obviously!), two on ceramic mending and identification and we are filming with Justine McKnight for a segment on paleobotany on Friday.

The Lab also has three less labor intensive regular video series that appear on Instagram and Facebook—Mending Mondays, Mystery Mondays and How Was It Made?

Sara Rivers Cofield is making good progress on her grant to study equestrian artifacts and create new sections of the DAIM website. Her planned trip to Sweden to study a lagre collection of saddles has been postponed due to the pandemic.

All three conservators participated in a virtual Twitter conference sponsored by the ICON at the end of May.

The Maynard-Burgess site collection from Annapolis was turned over to the lab in May, beginning what we hope will be the accession of the Archaeology in Annapolis collections for state curation. The rehousing of this site was paid for by the City of Annapolis – and was about 25 boxes of what ultimately will be about 1,000 boxes from the three decades of work by Mark Leone and his colleagues.

Beginning at the end of April, two of the lab's conservators began a rotating schedule at the lab – one week on and one week off – to continue work on in-progress conservation projects that could not be left sitting indefinitely.

The conservation lab had just entered into a long-term MOU to provide a variety of conservation services for Archaeology in Alexandria. We anticipate that timbers from their three waterfront shipwrecks will begin to arrive in the next fiscal year.

The RITES Trail interpretive project was completed and included the building of a new picnic shelter, art and interpretation on the boardwalk, a nature play space and a new archaeological interpretation at the King's Reach Site.

<u>Review and Compliance Activities Report</u> — Beth Cole and Dixie Henry

In response to the Governor's Executive Order, the Project Review and Compliance Unit began doing business largely via teleworking on 3/13/2020. Staff developed interim procedures to process incoming and outgoing submittals and access project files through very limited staggered shifts in the office in combination with teleworking. The Unit worked with Greg Brown to ensure functionality of Project Review database, online search capabilities, and links to scanned PDFs of MHT responses to maintain internal and external access to project status information. The Unit has been able to successfully fulfill its Section 106 responsibilities, complete reviews, and provide needed technical assistance to program customers via telework, conference calls, and virtual meetings/site visits. Over the last 3 months, we have not seen a noticeable decrease in the volume of submittals, with the Unit's monthly totals remaining at ca. 500 projects.

The Review and Compliance Unit continues to be down one staff person due to a vacancy since mid-October, so Beth and Dixie are handling additional workload on behalf of the unit. Beth completed the recruitment process, the selection committee has a preferred candidate, and we have submitted all paperwork to MDP/DBM for approval to hire during the new COVID-19 hiring freeze. The hiring outcome is uncertain given current circumstances.

Beth, Dixie, and Troy participated in MDE's online training for interagency reviewers for the rollout of eCollaboration – an electronic review system for MDE permits. The pilot phase will involve fee-exempt permit applications from state agencies.

Beth participated in a conference call with Matt and Charlie, Nell Ziehl, City of Annapolis, and consultants regarding the City's effort to develop an archaeological sensitivity map. MHT will be continuing to explore meaningful ways for local governments to incorporate consideration of archaeological resources in the local review process and develop best practices.

Dixie has participated in multiple interagency meetings, including the monthly JE meeting and MDE's IRT meeting, to discuss several different Corps/MDE projects such as the Middle Branch Waterfront project in Baltimore and the River Park at Canal Place project in Cumberland.

Dixie has reviewed and approved the proposed scope of work for additional Phase I survey work and Phase II investigations at site 18AN1494 (an 18th c. domestic site) at Ft. Smallwood Park in Anne Arundel County.

Dixie has received the draft report detailing the results of the Phase III data recovery work that has been completed at site 18ST61 at Point Lookout State Park. Comments regarding the draft report will be sent to both DGS and DNR. DNR has secured the funding to complete the conservation treatment of several important artifacts. All materials will be sent to the MAC Lab for curation.

Dixie is also expecting to soon receive a management summary from Jim Gibb following the completion of the fieldwork component of Phase III data recovery work at site 18PR857 – a large 18th c. domestic complex that will be heavily impacted by the construction of the Mill Branch Crossing Development in Prince George's County. Once the Corps and MHT have had an opportunity to review the management summary, construction activities can proceed

concurrently with the remaining lab work, analyses, report production, the preparation of materials for curation at the MAC Lab, and the development of public interpretation materials – all in accordance with the MOA.

Research and Synthesis Project — Zac Singer

Zac has been steadily working on the Maryland Archaeological Synthesis Project. Since MACA's last meeting on March 4, 2020, Zac has completed Synthesis updates for eight sites in Baltimore County, one site in Washington County, and ten sites in Frederick County. Zac has ten more reports to compile in Frederick County. After Frederick County, Zac will work on synthesizing reports from Montgomery County.

On March 9th and 10th, Zac participated in the interviews for the Summer Archaeology Internship.

Zac also participated in the various fieldwork projects discussed in the Chief Archaeologist's Report, with the exception of fieldwork at Fort Frederick.

As part of Maryland Archeology Month (MAM) in April 2020, Zac (with Matt's editorial assistance) created a blog post and a research brief in *Maryland Archeology* announcing the Office of Archaeology's re-launch of the Maryland Fluted Point Survey (MDFPS). As part of the MAM blog post, Zac created and shared 3D models of two fluted points. Zac also recorded and posted a lecture on the Jug Bay Archaeological Survey, which was conducted by the Lost Towns Project for an FY19 Non-Capital Grant round.

Since April, through the MD Fluted Point Survey, Zac has received information from the public about fluted point finds in Maryland. Zac will document these fluted points when social distancing restrictions are lifted. Through the MDFPS, Zac also completed an archaeology site form for the Twilley Site (18WC209), which Darrin Lowery and colleagues discovered in 1999. The Twilley Site has yielded 10 fluted points.

For Preservation Month in June, Zac (with Matt's editorial assistance) contributed a blog post about Maryland Paleoindian sites listed on the National Register of Historic Places: Paw Paw Cove, Noland's Ferry, and Katcef. Zac highlighted a newly discovered fluted point from the Katcef site, which was found as part of Anne Arundel County's Cultural Resources Division's FY20 Non-Capital Grant "Enhancing the Ogle Collection" and documented by the Maryland Fluted Point Survey.

The May 17th Archaeological Site Stewardship Survey Pilot Program with Bennett Middle School students has been postponed until at least the fall of 2020 due to Covid-19.

Zac plans to attend two regional archaeology meetings in October, if they are not postponed. The Eastern States Archaeological Federation Annual Meeting is scheduled for October 22nd through 25th and the Middle Atlantic Archaeology Conference Annual Meeting is scheduled for October 29th through November 1st. Zac has heard that both Annual Meetings are likely to be canceled for 2020.

Other Business

Matt McKnight provided an overview of the documents related to the proposed changes provided in the MACA Members' packets. Specifically, he pointed out that the two major changes related to 1) changing the composition of the Burial Sites and Objects Review Cmte. to include members from ethnic commissions other than the MCIA and reconstituting it as an "ad hoc" committee, and 2) ensuring that the regulations regarding human remains affiliated with a Native American tribe are not considered for transfer and study in accordance with the governing statute. Matt also introduced Paul Cucazzella, MHT Legal Council who worked on the regs.

Paul provided some background on why the regulations needed to be altered. He also provided an overview of the approval process and highlighted some other changes.

Questions were asked about the impact to the MAC Lab, which Tricia Samford answered, stating that they would largely make accommodating requests for transfer or repatriation much easier.

Dixie Henry requested to know whether or how the Maryland Commission on Indian Affairs (MCIA) is being involved and Charlie Hall confirmed that they currently have a copy of the draft changes as well. Charlie indicated that at least initially the Administrative Director of the MCIA felt the proposed changes would be well-received.

Jane Cox asked if any action was needed on behalf of MACA, but Paul confirmed that no action was necessary, MHT just wanted to give MACA the opportunity to review the reg changes and provide comments should they have any.

No action was taken.

<u>Selection of next meeting date</u> — Wednesday, September 9, 2020 at 1:00 PM in the MHT Executive conference room (or virtually).

After discussion of other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m., in a motion made by Bob Wall and seconded by Don Housley; the motion was unanimously approved.