HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes of the meeting held on August 25, 2005 at the
Department of Land Use and Growth Management

Members Present: Peter Himmelheber, Chairman
Harold Willard, Vice-Chairman
Robert Gibbs, Member
James Grusholt, Member
Mary Hayden, Member
Margaret McCoy Padukiewicz, Member
Jack Williamson, Member
Teresa Wilson, LUGM Staff

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the July 28, 2005 meeting were approved as corrected.

Discussion of Draft PowerPoint
Mr. Himmelheber presented the draft of the PowerPoint presentation he is preparing for a talk he will be presenting in October. HPC members offered suggestions, which focused on reducing the amount of printed information and increasing the use of images to support the information. Mr. Himmelheber thanked the members and indicated that he would revise the presentation to incorporate their suggestions.

Annual Report Draft Discussion
Ms. Wilson presented the draft of the Historic Preservation Commission Annual Report. The members were satisfied with the form and content with the exception of one of the Appendices, the Interview with Wendell Berry. Mr. Williamson and Ms. Padukiewicz said that they disagreed with Berry’s view of the role of government and with his characterization of volunteerism. Ms. Wilson said that she would remove the interview since the report must be signed by the HPC members who must be in overall agreement with the report content.

Leonardtown Armory
Ms. Wilson reported that she has completed the photography of the armory and has collected information about the history of the building’s use. She will be submitting the documentation to the Maryland Historical Trust as soon as the photos come back from the developer.

St. Inigoes African American School
Ms. Wilson noted that she had sent information about the site visit and the possible options for treating the school to the County Commissioners. She has requested a meeting with the Commissioners to hear what their thoughts are about rescuing the school. She plans to request that the Commissioners support obtaining a basic structure report from a cultural resources management firm, perhaps KCI, which already does contract work for the county.

Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Submitted by: ____________________________ Signed by: ______________________________