LAYTONSVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES October 17, 2011

Roll Call:

The regular meeting of the Laytonsville Historic District Commission (HDC) was called to order by Vice Chair Jill Ruspi at 7:33 p.m. Commission Members Joann Howes, Charley Hendricks and Alternate Lisa Simonetti were present. Chair Sheree Wenger and Member Michele Shortley were absent.

Attendance: Guest Larry Halvorson was present.

Minutes:

The minutes from the meeting of September 19, 2011, were presented and approved.

Preliminary Statement by Chair:

The preliminary statement was read.

Hearing for Application # HDC WP-03-11: Larry and Michele Halvorson request a work permit for replacement of gutters with CopperPlus copper-clad stainless steel gutters on the property located at 21521 Laytonsville Road. Signs for this hearing were posted and notices sent to adjoining property owners. The application, brochure and material samples were submitted for consideration.

The Halvorson's intend to replace all of the gutters on the house, including front and back porches, and the downspouts for a consistent look. Member Ruspi shared, with the Commission members written comments provided by Chair Wenger that most HDCs don't have specific guidelines for gutters but the Secretary of Interior suggests retaining copper, particularly if the house is a contributing resource in the Maryland inventory of Historic Properties. Members discussed alternatives for the gutter replacement such as replacing the copper in the front and using the CopperPlus in the rear of the house.

The record was closed.

Member Charley Hendricks moved to approve application HDC-WP-03-11 as submitted, authorizing replacement of the gutters and downspouts at 21521 Laytonsville Road with the copper-clad aluminum product known as CopperPlus. Member Howes seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

New Business:

Larry Halvorson told the HDC members that his son, Tanner Headrick is looking for ideas for a Boy Scout Eagle project. He asked the HDC to share any ideas that they may have.

Member Ruspi asked if the November meeting should remain on November 21 or rescheduled due to Thanksgiving. Members agreed that it was fine to leave the meeting on November 21.

Old Business:

Guidelines: Members agreed that all of the content created during the first effort on review and revision of the HDC guidelines had not been sent out. Member Shortley will be asked to email the file.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Member Howes made the motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Member Hendricks. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Charlene Dillingham

Clerk, Town of Laytonsville