

**ST. MARY'S COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEONARDTOWN HIGH SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 1995**

**PUBLIC HEARING
ENHANCED 911 UNIFORM ADDRESSING SYSTEM
POSSIBLE RENAMING OF "LEONARDTOWN ROAD"**

Present: Commissioner Barbara R. Thompson, President
Commissioner D. Christian Brugman
Commissioner Paul W. Chesser
Commissioner Frances P. Eagan
Commissioner Lawrence D. Jarboe
Edward V. Cox, County Administrator
Paul Wible, Chair, Enhanced 911 Task Force
Judith A. Spalding, Administrative Assistant

The Public Hearing opened at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Wible read the Notice of Public Hearing, reviewed the background on the Addressing project and the background on the naming of Leonardtown Road (Route 5 from Halfway House to Point Lookout). Subsequent to the Commissioners' decision to name it Leonardtown Road, two petitions were received requesting the name be changed; one requested Point Lookout Road; the other requested the name of St. Mary's Parkway.

Statements of Opinion listing the three proposed road names were distributed to members of the audience as they entered the auditorium and were requested to not check a road name until completion of the hearing.

The hearing was opened to the public for comments

The following individuals spoke on behalf of Point Lookout Road pointing out its historical significance, that it is a destination point, and the economic importance because Point Lookout is a main tourist attraction in the County: Dan Raley, Bruce Scheible, Alonzo Gaskin, Bette Ridgell, Joe Ridgell, David Hammett, Peggy Childs, Lynda Purdy, Beth McCoy, Minnie Russell.

The following individuals spoke on behalf of St. Mary's Parkway stating that the name would encompass the whole County: Benjamin Wood, Margaret Unkle, Sam Disclafani,

The following individuals spoke on behalf of Leonardtown Road pointing out the historical significance of Leonardtown and that it is the county seat: Tom Mattingly, Bernard Delahay, Beck Proffitt, Michael Bell, Bernard Johnson. Tommy Bell.

Mr. Harold Willard indicated that he had submitted a recommendation for the naming of Route 5 to Point Lookout, which was site neutral, but that it was not one of the options listed for the hearing. County Administrator Cox explained that the Commissioners had officially named the road Leonardtown Road after which petitions were received, and agreed to make an exception to the process by providing for a public hearing on the current name and the two names as petitioned.

At the conclusion of the hearing the County Administrator instructed the audience to complete the Statement of Opinion and place in the box in the lobby as they leave.

The hearing concluded at 8:55 p.m.

The record will remain open for ten days for additional comments.

**Minutes Approved by Board of
County Commissioners on 3/28/95**

Judith A. Spalding
Recording Secretary