

**Agricultural Land Preservation Advisory Board  
Carroll County Maryland  
Official Minutes  
March 2, 2022**

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The Carroll County Agricultural Land Preservation Advisory Board met on Wednesday, March 2, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. The following board members were present: Tom Irwin, Chair, Jerry Russell, Vice Chair, Alice Altstatt, Greg Dell, Stan Pennington, Alternate, and Mark Savage. Others in attendance were Christopher Heyn P.E., Director, Land and Resource Management, J. P. Smith, Jr., Program Manager, Jackie Brathuhn, Preservation Specialist, and Donna Black Office Technician, of the Agricultural Land Preservation Office.

*Notice of this meeting was posted electronically on the County's website.*

**Call to Order:** Tom Irwin, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes - meeting minutes of February 2, 2022:** Jerry Russell made the motion to approve the February 2, 2022 minutes. The motion was seconded by Greg Dell, motion carried.

**Request for deadline extension for Tom and Ellen Childs, 4095 E. Diehl Road, Taneytown, MALPF easement:** J. P. Smith, Jr. clarified about extending the deadline of the preliminary release for a child lot. There was a reconfiguration of the lot due to a powerline which has taken a good bit of time. JP recommended that the deadline be extended. There was further discussion from the Board. Greg Dell made the motion to approve the request, Mark Savage seconded, motion carried.

**Approval of Right-of-Way for Henry King property, 2835 Roop Road, Taneytown, MALPF easement:** J P Smith, Jr. explained the request to the board, and showed the areas of the farm and where the right of way would now be located. There is nothing in County code stating a minimum size requirement for a ROW. MALPF wanted approval from the Board because everyone, including the schoolhouse, would be sharing the driveway. Jerry Russell asked about the school using the right of way. Tom Irwin also questioned the term "Agriculture subdivision". It is the same easement; the farm is just split in two. JP and Jackie reviewed why they need a new right of way and where the off conveyance is located. Mark Savage made the motion to approve the request with a 50-foot minimum right-of-way, Greg Dell seconded, motion carried.

**Request for location approval of child lot, John Hull, Jr. property, 1078 Sullivan Road, Westminster, MALPF easement:** J. P. Smith, Jr. stated that the Board talked about this back on December 8, 2021, and the approval made was "the child lot could be anywhere on the property they could get a perk". MALPF wants an exact location before they approve. Previously the location was at the back left corner of the property, now it is located towards the front right of the property. JP recommended approval for a non-sub-dividable building envelope. Alice Altstatt made the motion to approve the request, Mark Savage seconded, Tom Irwin opposed, motion carried.

**Discussion on remaining portions:** JP reviewed the handout with a list of potential criteria for remainders with the Board. These are questions to start the discussion for the process of setting regulations. JP asked the board to think about suggestions such as size, locations, principal uses, creating a formula for points-based approvals and make a value. Donna will e-mail the Board the current Evaluation form, the Community Solar brochure. At the next meeting we will have evaluation examples to work through and discuss.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 12:21 p.m.

  
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Tom Irwin, Chair