

**Agricultural Land Preservation Advisory Board
Carroll County, Maryland
Official Minutes
October 4, 2023**

The Carroll County Agricultural Land Preservation Advisory Board met on Wednesday, October 4, 2023, at 10:53 a.m. The following board members were present: Tom Irwin, Chair, Mark Savage, Vice Chair, Alice Altstatt, Greg Dell, Phil Snader and Stan Pennington, Alternate. Others in attendance were J. P. Smith, Jr., Program Manager, Jackie Brathuhn Preservation Specialist, and Donna L. Black, Office Technician, of the Agricultural Land Preservation office. Also in attendance was Matthew Luzuriaga, Attorney

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

Call to Order: Tom Irwin, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:53 a.m.

Approval of Minutes - meeting minutes of August 2, 2023: Alice Altstatt made the motion to approve the August 2, 2023, minutes with a spelling correction. The motion was seconded by Phil Snader, motion carried.

For the record: When Alice Altstatt was reviewing the minutes, she questioned if the Commissioners voted to change any of the requirements for Critical Farms Program. Jackie informed the Board that the Commissioners did not change any of the requirements, only asked if there was a special consideration of an applicant for the Advisory Board to submit a letter stating why they are supporting a special consideration.

Request for approval for a right of way, Donald Brathuhn, 3913 Miller Station Road, Manchester, MALPF easement: Jackie explained the request to the board and the proposed location of the driveway. The ROW that was approved by MALPF was through an in-fee strip on the neighboring farm had a too steep of a grade and was not useable. The ROW has been moved into the existing lane to Millers Station Road. JP recommended the right of way for approval. Mark made a motion to approve, seconded by Greg Dell, motion carried.

Request for approval for produce and store wine on property owned by Legacy Oaks LLC., (Mike Maring) 2236 Gillis Road, Woodbine, MALPF easement: JP explained the request to the board and the storage location for the wine. The Board asked questions about growing grapes, purchasing additional grapes, additional buildings, and parking areas. JP explained that grapes can be purchased regionally. MALPF allows producers 3-5 years to plant a grape crop and allow it to be established. JP recommended the request to produce and store wine for approval. Alice Altstatt made the motion to approve, seconded by Greg Dell, motion carried.

Request for a agricultural subdivision and a tenant house, Scott Woodall, 317 South Clear Ridge Road, New Windsor, MALPF easement: The request has been withdrawn

Closed session: - Alice Altstatt made the motion to go into closed session. The motion was seconded by Phil Snader, motion carried. The board went into closed session at 11:08 a.m.

Opening of the Meeting: Mark Savage made the motion to open the meeting at 11:35 a.m. The motion was seconded by Greg Dell, motion carried.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:37 a.m.



Tom Irwin, Chair