

**AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD
CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND
OFFICIAL MINUTES
JULY 7, 2021**

The Carroll County Agricultural Land Preservation Advisory Board met virtually on Wednesday, July 7, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. The following board members were present: Greg Dell, Tom Irwin, Chair, Jerry Russell, Vice Chair, Mark Savage, and Alice Altstatt. Others in attendance were J. P. Smith, Jr., Program Manager and Jackie Brathuhn, Preservation Specialist, of the Agricultural Land Preservation program as well as Brenda Dinne, Special Projects Coordinator, and Christopher Heyn P. E., Director of Land and Resource Management.

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

Call to Order: Tom Irwin, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Approval of Minutes - meeting minutes of June 9, 2021: Mark Savage motioned to approve the June 9, 2021 minutes. The motion was seconded by Jerry Russell and carried.

Request to release one acre from the easement, Roselin Atzwanger, 5328 Bowers Road, Taneytown, MALPF easement: Ms. Atzwanger is requesting the release of one acre around the dwelling from the easement that cannot be subdivided. Greg Dell motioned for approval of the release. The motion was seconded by Mark Savage and carried.

Request for approval of a mulch operation, Robert Cover, 2608 Dr. Stitely Road, New Windsor, MALPF easement: Mulch operations are an allowable use on a MALPF property as long as the owner of the property, Mr. Cover, is part owner of the business and 50 % or less of the trees come from the property. Jerry Russell motioned to approve the mulching operation. The motion was seconded by Mark Savage and carried.

Request for ag subdivision, Julie Feeser, 2221 Crouse Mill Road, Taneytown, County easement: David Feeser will add his 16-acre parcel into easement at no cost. 14 acres will be added to his property from each of Julie Feeser's farms that are already under easement, for a total of 44 acres that will be owned by David Feeser. Greg Dell motioned to approve the ag subdivision. The motion was seconded by mark savage and carried.

Announcements: Brenda Dinne gave handouts explaining the changes in the AG code that are being discussed. The main question for the Board is whether to change the wording in the code to no longer require development potential to enter the Ag Preservation Program. This will give opportunities to remaining portions throughout the County. The Board will revisit this next month.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:57 a.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Irwin", written over a horizontal line.

Tom Irwin, Chair