

**Agricultural Land Preservation Advisory  
Board Carroll County, Maryland  
Official Minutes  
February 18, 2026**

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The Carroll County Agricultural Land Preservation Advisory Board met on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. Members present: Tom Irwin, Chair; Mark Savage, Vice Chair, Alice Altstatt, Phil Snader, and Stan Pennington, Alternate. J. P. Smith, Jr., Program Manager, Jackie Roque, Preservation Specialist, and Donna Black, Administrative Technician of the Agricultural Land Preservation Office. Absent: Greg Dell

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

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

**Approval of meeting minutes – January 21, 2026:** Phil Snader moved to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Mark Savage. The motion carried unanimously.

**Request for a Family Cemetery, Blaine A. Harman, 1785 Stover Road, Taneytown, County Easement.** JP presented the request to the Board and reviewed the proposed cemetery location on the property using the County's digital GIS mapping system. The Board asked questions regarding the location and proposed size of the cemetery. JP recommended approval of the request. A motion to approve the request, with the cemetery limited to 4,000 square feet, was made by Phil Snader and seconded by Alice Altstatt. The motion carried unanimously.

**Announcements:** Alice Altstatt spoke about an article in Carroll County Times on February 12, 2026, regarding Solar projects. Chris Heyn will attend the March 18<sup>th</sup> meeting for further discussion.

**Adjournment:** Alice Altstatt moved to close the meeting. The motion was seconded by Phil Snader and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

  
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Tom Irwin, Chair