

MINUTES

The Kent County Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board met on Monday, October 4, 2021, in the County Commissioners' Hearing Room at 400 High Street, Chestertown, Maryland. The following members were in attendance: David Hill, Chairman, Davidson Coleman, Bradley Morris, Tyler Gale, and Ernest "Tot" Strong. Also, in attendance were Carla Gerber, Deputy Director, and Michael Pelletier, Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW:

B and K Family Farm, LLC – Ag Preservation District

Ms. Gerber presented the application to establish a local Agricultural Preservation District on the applicant's 202-acre farm located on Morgnec Road. Following a brief discussion, the Board found that the application exceeds the minimum criteria for districts.

Mr. Strong motioned to forward a favorable recommendation to the Planning Commission and County Commissioners. Mr. Morris seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Marilyn Price – Child's Lot for Daughter, Vonnie Mills

Ms. Gerber presented this request seeking a child's lot for Ms. Marilyn Price's daughter, Vonnie Mills. The proposed 1-acre lot will be located adjacent to the Owner's lot which was released in 2004 and will have frontage along Old Locust Grove Road. The proposed lot will not have a detrimental effect on the farming operation.

Members of the Board discussed the proposal. Mr. Strong motioned to recommend approval of the request and Mr. Coleman seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Barbara Parker – Lot Release of Pre-existing Dwellings

Ms. Gerber presented a request from Ms. Barbara Parker seeking to release two pre-existing dwellings from her 50-acre easement property. One proposed lot will be 2 acres and the other will be over 1 acre but less than 2. A surveyor is preparing a revised plat to reduce the second lot to the minimum necessary to meet setbacks for the well and to keep several trees that act as a buffer.

Members of the Board discussed the proposal. Mr. Strong motioned to recommend approval of the request and Mr. Gale seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Ms. Gerber discussed the current Comprehensive Rezoning process, in particular, relating to the Agricultural Zoning District, and the desire of the County Commissioner's to receive feedback from the Agricultural Advisory Commission on several matters currently before the Comprehensive Rezoning Task Force. The anticipated timeline for the Comprehensive Rezoning process was also discussed.

ADJOURN

There being no further business for the good of the organization, Chair Hill made a motion to adjourn which Mr. Morris seconded. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 P.M.

David Hill

Michael Pelletier