

Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, March 4, 2025)

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Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy
Commissioner Eric S. Colvin
Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt
Commissioner Michael R. Alderson, Jr.
Commissioner Scott R. Ostrow
David Weiskopf, County Administrator
Jenna Guzman, Communications Director, Public Information Office
Julie Burch, Recorder

Commissioner President Guy called the business meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Chesapeake Building Meeting Room, Governmental Center.

Approval of Consent Agenda

I move to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes the Minutes of February 25, 2025.

Motion by Commissioner Michael R. Alderson, Jr., second by Commissioner Eric S. Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Alderson, Ostrow

2. PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamations were presented for:

- A. National Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month
- B. Anniversary of the National Senior Nutrition Program
- C. Women's History Month

3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. DRAFT AGENDAS FOR MARCH 11 AND 18, 2025.

B. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - Congressionally Directed Spending Request (Earmark) YMCA Great Mills

MOTION 1: I move to approve the updated CIP sheet for the YMCA Great Mills to reflect additional grant funding in the total amount of \$3,600,000.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner Eric S. Colvin.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Alderson, Ostrow

MOTION 2: I move to approve the Federal Funding Request Letters to the Federal Delegation, support the Department's completion of the online applications consistent with the materials, and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner Scott R. Ostrow.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Alderson, Ostrow

C. DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES - FEMA FY2024 BRIC Funding - Hazard Mitigation Plan

I move to approve the application for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Federal FY2024 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Funding - St Mary's County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update and for the support to earmark funds within the Emergency Services FY27 Budget in the amount of \$15,000 in order to fund the 25% non-federal cost share of the project and authorize the Commissioner President to sign all the related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Eric S. Colvin, second by Commissioner Scott R. Ostrow.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Hewitt, Alderson, Ostrow

4. LEGISLATION

A. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY - Legislative Updates

Present: John Sterling Houser, Deputy County Attorney

The following bills were discussed:

HB 561/ SB 623 - St. Mary's County Public Facilities Bond

HB 961/SB 1006 - Commissioned Public Art - Artist Rights

HB 1370/SB 881 - Regional Transportation Authorities

HB 1036/SB 931 - Public Utilities - Generating Stations - Generation and Siting (Renewable Energy Certainty Act

HB 1084/SB 942 - Correctional Services – Medication–Assisted Treatment Funding

5. COMMISSIONERS' TIME

The Commissioners highlighted events attended over the past week and provided general comments.

6. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Minutes approved by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on March 11, 2025.

 JB
Julie Burch, Senior Admin Coordinator

7. BUDGET WORK SESSION

A. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE - FY2026 Budget Work Session for Elected Officials
Budget Requests

Present: Vanetta VanCleave, Chief Financial Officer
 Joy Sapp, Deputy Director of Finance