Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, August 26, 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 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 August 19, 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. PROCLAMATION

A proclamation was presented in honor of Women's Equality Day.

3. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. DRAFT AGENDAS FOR SEPTEMBER 9 AND SEPTEMBER 16, 2025. There will be no meeting of the Commissioners on September 2, 2025.

B. DEPARTMENT OF AGING & HUMAN SERVICES - FY25 Federal Older Americans Act Notification of Grant Award 1 and 2.

I move to approve the FY25 Federal Older Americans Act Notice of Grant Awards 1 and 2 from the Maryland Department of Aging on behalf of the St. Mary's County Department of Aging & Human Services in the amount of \$408,505, the attached budget amendments, and authorize the Commissioner President to execute related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Michael L. Hewitt, second by Commissioner Michael R. Alderson, Jr. Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

C. DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES - Sandgate's Radio Tower Remediation

MOTION 1: I move to approve the Department of Emergency Services to realign funds and utilize exempt financing for the remediation of the Sandgate's Tower, and to approve a budget amendment by reducing the Emergency Support Reserve account by \$31,963.00 for the first-year payment.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

MOTION 2: I further move to authorize the Commissioner President to execute all related documents.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

D. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE - FY2027 Budgeting Presentation

Present: Vanetta N. Van Cleave, Chief Financial Officer

Gary Whipple, Deputy Director/Facility Capital Projects Manager

Joyce Sapp, Deputy Director

A presentation was given to the Commissioners for consideration on alternative budgeting methodologies in preparation for the upcoming budget cycle.

E. OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY - Real Property - Reverse Transfer to SHA

I move to approve the transfer of 0.84 acres of land, located off Route 235 in Lexington Park, MD, to the Maryland State Highway Administration, and authorize the Commissioner President to sign all related documents.

Motion by Commissioner Scott R. Ostrow, second by Commissioner Michael R. Alderson, Jr.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

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

4. COMMISSIONERS' TIME

The Commissioners highlighted events over the past two weeks and provided general comments.

5. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.	
Minutes approved by the Commissioners	of St. Mary's County on September 9, 2025
JB	
Julie Burch, Senior Admin Coordinator	

6. OUTSIDE EVENT

A. ST. CLEMENT'S ISLAND MUSEUM GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY - 38370 Point Breeze Road, Colton's Point, MD