

Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting Minutes (Tuesday, October 21, 2025)

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Members present

Commissioner President James R. Guy
Commissioner Eric S. Colvin
Commissioner Michael R. Alderson, Jr.
Commissioner Scott R. Ostrow
David Weiskopf, County Administrator
Jenna Guzman, Communications Director, Public Information Office
Tracy Rohan, 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 October 7, 2025.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Alderson, Ostrow

2. PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamations were presented for:

- A. National Domestic Violence Awareness Month
- B. Economic Development Week
- C. Red Ribbon Week
- D. National Disability Employment Awareness Month

3. PRESENTATIONS

A. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES - Commission for People with Disabilities - Award Ceremony

The Commission for People with Disabilities promote awareness and recognize outstanding efforts of individuals and organizations that improve the quality of life for persons with disabilities in St. Mary's County. The awards program is intended to promote awareness and to recognize the outstanding efforts of individuals and organizations that improve the quality of life for persons with disabilities in St. Mary's County. Any person, business or organization within St. Mary's County is eligible for nomination and nominations may be submitted by any County citizen.

This year's award categories include the Care Partner Award, the Innovative Program Award, the Vickie Brown Award and the Notable Employer Award. The award recipients are individuals and an organization whose service and outreach to the community has enhanced the lives of many.

This year's award recipients were Janice R. Woods, Care Partner Award; Cathy Dickerson, Innovative Program; Derond Carroll, Vick Brown Award; and Pathways, Inc. received the Notable Employer Award.

B. SOUTHERN MARYLAND NAVY ALLIANCE

The Southern Maryland Navy Alliance (SMNA) was founded in 1992, with former State Senator J. Frank Raley as president. The SMNA grew to be the preeminent advocate for the Southern Maryland community to support the Navy at Patuxent River to help ensure national security and promote the economic health of the state of Maryland and Southern Maryland region.

SMNA leadership briefed the Commissioners on Workforce Development Efforts, 2026/2027 Legislative Priorities, Current Challenges and Opportunities, Statewide Initiatives.

4. MAIN AGENDA ITEM

A. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION – REQUEST FOR PUBLIC HEARING – St. Mary's County Transportation Plan Update – February 2025

I move to hold a public hearing on the adoption of the Transportation Plan in the Commissioner meeting room on November 18, 2025 at 9:15 am and to have the Commissioner President sign any related documents.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Alderson, Ostrow

5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. DRAFT AGENDAS FOR OCTOBER 28 AND NOVEMBER 4, 2025.

B. SHERIFF'S OFFICE – FY2026 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Award (RSAT) Grant

I move to approve the FY2026 RSAT grant award from the Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy, on behalf of the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$224,556 (excluding County funding) and authorize the Commissioner President and Sheriff to execute the related documents and staff to submit electronically.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Alderson, Ostrow

C. DEPARTMENT OF AGING & HUMAN SERVICES - Notice of Funding (NOFA) FY26 ENOUGH Partnership Development Grant- Governor's Office for Children-Local Management Board

I move to approve the FY26 ENOUGH Partnership Development Grant; Notice of Funding Availability Application (NOFA) from the Governor's Office for Children on behalf of St. Mary's County Department of Aging & Human Services in the amount \$65,000 in State Funds; to allow providers to assist children, families, youth and young adults, and authorize the Commissioner President to execute the related documents.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Alderson, Ostrow

D. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION – Road Acceptance for Woodmore Subdivision

I move to adopt the Resolution to accept Woodmore Drive and Woodmore Street into the St. Mary's County Highway Maintenance System; and to adopt the Ordinance setting a maximum speed and establishing stop intersections for these roads / right-of-ways; and for Commissioner President to sign any related documents.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Alderson, Ostrow

E. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – Approve Employment Contract

I move to approve the employment contract for the Jurisdictional Medical Director for St. Mary's County and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the related documents.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Alderson, Ostrow

6. COMMISSIONERS' TIME

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

B. MOTION: I move that the Commissioners send a letter, by Thursday, if there is no change in current status, to Senators Chuck Schumer, Chris Van Hollen and Angela Alsobrooks, expressing encouragement for a passing of a clean continuing resolution and reopening of the

Federal Government. The letter should include the signatures of any commissioners who wish to have their signature included.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Alderson, Ostrow

MOTION TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION

I move to enter into closed session to discuss Personnel.

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

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Commissioners Guy, Colvin, Alderson, Ostrow

7. CLOSED SESSION

A. REAL PROPERTY

Present: James R. Guy, Commissioner President

Michael R. Alderson, Jr., Commissioner

Eric S. Colvin, Commissioner

Scott R. Ostrow, Commissioner

David Weiskopf, County Administrator

David Yingling, Deputy County Administrator

Raymond Bivens, Director, Department of Recreation and Parks

Tracy Rohan, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(6) of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland
Time Held: 10:51 a.m. - 10:56 a.m.

Purpose: To hold preliminary discussions concerning the purchase or disposition of real property.

B. LITIGATION STRATEGY

Present: James R. Guy, Commissioner President

Michael R. Alderson, Jr., Commissioner

Eric S. Colvin, Commissioner

Scott R. Ostrow, Commissioner

David Weiskopf, County Administrator

David Yingling, Deputy County Administrator

Buffy Giddens, County Attorney

Victoria Shearer, Attorney

Tracy Rohan, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(2) of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland
Time Held: 10:57 a.m. - 11:39 a.m.

Purpose: To discuss strategy in collective bargaining or litigation.

C. PERSONNEL

Present: James R. Guy, Commissioner President
Michael R. Alderson, Jr., Commissioner
Eric S. Colvin, Commissioner
Scott R. Ostrow, Commissioner
David Weiskopf, County Administrator
David Yingling, Deputy County Administrator
Catherine Pratson, Director, Human Resources
John Norris, Candidate, Director of the Department of Public Works & Transportation
Tracy Rohan, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(1) of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland
Time Held: 11:41 a.m. – 12:07 p.m.

Purpose: To consider or discuss the assignment, promotion, resignation, salary, demotion, dismissal, reprimand, or appointment of a member of a public agency or employee

D. PERSONNEL

Present: James R. Guy, Commissioner President
Michael R. Alderson, Jr., Commissioner
Eric S. Colvin, Commissioner
Scott R. Ostrow, Commissioner
David Weiskopf, County Administrator
David Yingling, Deputy County Administrator
Catherine Pratson, Director, Human Resources
Tracy Rohan, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(1) of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland
Time Held: 12:08 p.m. – 12:19 p.m.

Purpose: To consider or discuss the assignment, promotion, resignation, salary, demotion, dismissal, reprimand, or appointment of a member of a public agency or employee

8. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 12:19 p.m.

Minutes approved by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on October 28, 2025.

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Tracy Rohan, Senior Admin Assistant