



Commissioners of St. Mary's County Meeting - Apr 14 2026 Minutes

Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 9:00 AM

Chesapeake Building, 41770 Baldrige St., Leonardtown, MD

1. 9:00 a.m. - JOINT MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF ST. MARY'S COUNTY AND THE ST. MARY'S COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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

Ms. Karin Bailey, Chairman, Board of Education, District 3

Ms. Cathy Allen, Vice Chairman, Board of Education

Mr. Josh Guy, Board of Education, District 2

Ms. Mary Washington, Member, Board of Education, District 4

Ms. Dorothy Andrews, Member, Board of Education, District 1

Dr. J. Scott Smith, Superintendent, St. Mary's County Public Schools

Tammy McCourt, Deputy Superintendent, St. Mary's County Public Schools

Marc Pirner, Principal, James Forrest Career and Technical Center

Mr. Brian Glasper, AMP/TJR Coordinator, James Forrest Career and Technical Center

Sarah Lorek, Supervisor of Reporting and Communication

Mike Watson, Chief Operating Officer

Commissioner President Guy called the Joint Meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County and the St. Mary's County Board of Education to order at 9:00 a.m.

Following introductions and comments from Commissioner President Guy and Chairman Bailey, the following items were presented: Negotiated Agreements: EASMC, EASMC-ESP, SMASA; Maryland Apprenticeship Program 2026; Southern Maryland Summit 2026: The Teacher

Preparation Pipeline; Redistricting Summary CIP Costs and Forecast from IAC.

A. Agenda

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B. Presentation

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2. 10:30 a.m. - ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

3. 10:45 a.m. - WELCOME

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 10:45 a.m. in the Chesapeake Building Meeting Room, Governmental Center.

A. Invocation and Pledge

B. Approval of Consent Agenda

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I move to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes the minutes of March 31, 2026.

Moved by: Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr; seconded by: Commissioner Eric Colvin

Yea: Commissioner President James Guy, Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr, Commissioner Michael Hewitt, Commissioner Eric Colvin, and Commissioner Scott Ostrow

Motion Carries 5-0

4. 10:50 a.m. - PROCLAMATIONS

A. National Animal Care and Control Week

[National Animal Care and Control Week](#) 

[National Animal Care and Control Week Proc](#) 

B. National Library Week

[National Library Week](#) 

[National Library Week Proc](#) 

C. Week of the Young Child

[Week of the Young Child - Proclamation](#) 

[Week of the Young Child](#) 

D. National Public Safety Telecommunications Week

[National Public Safety Telecommunications Week](#) 

[National Public Safety Telecommunications Proc](#) 

5. 11:10 a.m. - COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

A. **DRAFT AGENDAS FOR APRIL 21, 2026 AND APRIL 28, 2026**

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B. **SHERIFF'S OFFICE** - FY2027 Sex Offender Compliance and Enforcement in Maryland Grant Application - GOCPP

[Agenda Item Template](#) 

[Grant & Other Agreement MD2724.pdf](#) 

[SFY2027-SOCM-NOFA \(1\).PDF](#) 

[Grant & Other.pdf](#) 

[Sheriffs Memo.pdf](#) 

[Certification Reg Lobbying CSMC Signed.pdf](#) 

[certification-of-applicable-financial-reporting-requirements-CSMC Signed.pdf](#) 

[Certified Assurances CSMC Signed.pdf](#) 

[Organizational Capacity Questionnaire- CFO Signed.pdf](#) 

MOTION: I move to approve the FY2027 Sex Offender Compliance and Enforcement in Maryland grant application 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 \$13,045 and authorize the Commissioner President and Sheriff to execute the related documents and staff to submit electronically.

Moved by: Commissioner Scott Ostrow; seconded by: Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr

Yea: Commissioner President James Guy, Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr, Commissioner Michael Hewitt, Commissioner Eric Colvin, and Commissioner Scott Ostrow

Motion Carries 5-0

C. **DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE - ST. MARY'S METROPOLITAN COMMISSION -**
Resolution for issuance of DHCD bonds

[Agenda Item Details - St. Mary's County Metcom DHCD Bonds.pdf](#) 

[MetCom Submission of Resolution No. 2026-01 for CSMC 03.31.2026 Meeting.pdf](#)


[Debt Ceiling Analysis from Metcom.pdf](#) 

[County Resolution 2026. pdf](#) 

[REV Attachment 2 - Signed MetCom Resolution No. 2026-01.pdf](#)  [2026-09 METCOM Bond CSMC Signed and Recorded.pdf](#) 

MOTION: I move to approve the County's Resolution providing full faith and credit of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County in authorizing the Metropolitan Commission to issue infrastructure bonds in an amount not to exceed \$38,400,000 in accordance with Section 113-1 to 113-30, inclusive of the Code of St. Mary's County and authorize the Commissioner President to sign any related documents.

Moved by: Commissioner Eric Colvin; seconded by: Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr

Yea: Commissioner President James Guy, Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr, Commissioner Michael Hewitt, Commissioner Eric Colvin, and Commissioner Scott Ostrow

Motion Carries 5-0

D. **DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES - Maryland Department of Agriculture**
Cat Focused Grant Application

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[Memo -for Feral Cat Grant.pdf](#) 

[Feral Cat Application.pdf](#) 

[Price Assurance Form.pdf](#) 

[Grant Other Cover signed.pdf](#) 

MOTION: I move to approve the Department of Emergency Services to apply, on behalf of the Animal Services Division, for the Maryland Department of Agriculture Cat-Focused Grant Application Funding (FY27) in the amount of \$24,000, and to authorize the Commissioner President to sign all related documents.

Moved by: Commissioner Scott Ostrow; seconded by: Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr

Yea: Commissioner President James Guy, Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr, Commissioner Michael Hewitt, Commissioner Eric Colvin, and Commissioner Scott Ostrow

Motion Carries 5-0

E. **DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS** - Park Equipment Kiosk Rental Agreement

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[Memo Rental Kiosks Rec and Parks 4 14 2026.pdf](#) 

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[Kayak One Pager.pdf](#) 

[Rent Fun Master Services Agreement 4 14 2026.pdf](#) 

[RP-1901 Snow Hill Park 250703121216.pdf](#) 

[Rentfun Master Agreement CSMC Signed001.pdf](#) 

MOTION: I move to approve the Rent Fun Park Equipment Kiosk Rental Agreement and authorize the Commissioner President to sign all related documents.

Moved by: Commissioner Eric Colvin; seconded by: Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr

Yea: Commissioner President James Guy, Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr, Commissioner Michael Hewitt, Commissioner Eric Colvin, and Commissioner Scott Ostrow

Motion Carries 5-0

F. **DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS** - Childcare Center Priority

Two options for Commissioner approval for the priority enrollment options for the childcare center.

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[Childcare Priority Memo.pdf](#) 

MOTION: I move to approve the childcare center priority admission option number One and authorize the Commissioner President to sign any related documents.

Moved by: Commissioner Eric Colvin; seconded by: Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr

Yea: Commissioner President James Guy, Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr, Commissioner Michael Hewitt, Commissioner Eric Colvin, and Commissioner Scott Ostrow

Carried 5-0

G. **OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY** – Request for Laptop Computers to Support the Administrative Charging Committee

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[Memo for CSMC - 2026.04.14.pdf](#) 

MOTION: I move to authorize the use of five (5) county-issued laptops to the St.

Mary's County Administrative Charging Committee to assist in their investigatory review process.

Moved by: Commissioner Michael Hewitt; seconded by: Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr

Yea: Commissioner President James Guy, Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr, Commissioner Michael Hewitt, Commissioner Eric Colvin, and Commissioner Scott Ostrow

Motion Carries 5-0

H. **COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR** - Approve Employment Contract

MOTION: I move to approve the employment contract for the Director of Human Resources for St. Mary's County Government and authorize the Commissioner President to sign the related documents.

Moved by: Commissioner Eric Colvin; seconded by: Commissioner Scott Ostrow

Yea: Commissioner President James Guy, Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr, Commissioner Michael Hewitt, Commissioner Eric Colvin, and Commissioner Scott Ostrow

Carried 5-0

6. 12:35 - LEGISLATION

A. **OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY** – Legislative Updates

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[JSH Memorandum - 4.14.26 jsh.pdf](#) 

[County Attorney's Tracking Report 4.9.pdf](#) 

[Senator Jack Bailey Legislation 4.9.26 \(2\).pdf](#) 

[Delegate Todd B. Morgan Legislation 4.9.26.pdf](#) 

[Delegate Matthew Morgan Legislation 4.9.26.pdf](#) 

[Delegate Brian M. Crosby Legislation 4.9.26.pdf](#)  [JSH Memorandum - Supplemental 4.14.26.doc](#) 

7. 12:50 p.m. - COMMISSIONERS TIME

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

8. 1:00 p.m. - MOTION TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION

A. Motion to enter into Closed Session

I move to enter into closed session to discuss Legal Advice.

Moved by: Commissioner Michael Hewitt; seconded by: Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr

Yea: Commissioner President James Guy, Commissioner Michael R Alderson Jr, and Commissioner Michael Hewitt

Nay: Commissioner Eric Colvin and Commissioner Scott Ostrow

Motion Carries 3-2

James R. Guy, Commissioner President
Michael R. Alderson, Jr., Commissioner
Scott R. Ostrow, Commissioner
Michael L. Hewitt, Commissioner
David Weiskopf, County Administrator
David Yingling, Deputy County Administrator
Vanetta Van Cleave, Chief Financial Officer
Buffy Giddens, County Attorney
John Sterling Houser, Deputy County Attorney
Tracy Rohan, Recorder

Authority: §9-512(a)(12) of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

Time Held: 1:00 p.m. - 1:40 p.m.

Purpose: To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice

9. 1:05 p.m. - CLOSED SESSION

10. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:40 p.m. Minutes approved by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County on April 21, 2026.

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Julie Burch, Senior Administrative Coordinator