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**September 24, 2025, 12 p.m.**

**September 23 Commissioner Meeting Rollup**

**LEONARDTOWN, MD** – The Commissioners of St. Mary's County (CSMC) began their [business meeting](#) with an invocation and the pledge, followed by approval of the consent agenda.

The CSMC then presented proclamations in recognition of [National Service Dog Month](#) and [International Underground Railroad Month](#).

For their [main agenda item](#), the CSMC postponed their decision on the proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance to allow *Use Type 28* in the Resource Conservation Area Critical Area Overlay District to Tuesday, September 30, 2025.

During County Administrator Time, the Commissioners took the following action:

- [Reviewed](#) future CSMC meeting agendas.
- [Approved](#) the FY2026 Tobacco Compliance Enforcement Initiative MOU for the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office (SMCSO).
- [Approved](#) the budget amendment to the FY2026 Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement for Child Support for SMCSO.
- [Approved](#) the FY2026 Crisis Intervention Team Training MOU for SMCSO.
- [Approved](#) to sign the letter of support for the FY2027– FY2032 State Capital Improvement Program for St. Mary's County Public Schools.
- [Set](#) the FY2026 Transferable Development Rights Fee-in-Lieu at 120% of the FY2024 average fair market value. The fee-in-lieu collected is to be used by the St. Mary's County Agricultural Preservation Commission to acquire property for protection.
- [Adopted](#) the ordinance to reduce the maximum speed on Van Ward Road.

The CSMC then [voted](#) on the [2026 Legislative Proposals](#) as presented by the County Attorney's Office. The Commissioners will host a joint public meeting with the St. Mary's County Legislative Delegation on **Tuesday, October 7, 2025**, to discuss these proposals.

The Commissioners wrapped their business meeting with [Commissioner Time](#).

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**The next CSMC meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 30, 2025, at 9 a.m.,** in the CSMC Meeting Room, on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the Chesapeake Building, located at 41770 Baldrige Street in Leonardtown. **The Commissioners will reconvene that evening at 6 p.m. for the Maryland Department of Transportation's annual Consolidated Transportation Program tour meeting.** CSMC decisions and related documents are available on the SMCG website in BoardDocs. Meetings are open to the public and can be viewed live on TV Channel 95 or on-demand at [www.youtube.com/@StMarysCoGov](http://www.youtube.com/@StMarysCoGov).

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