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July 23, 2026, 2 p.m.

July 21 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.

As part of the [consent agenda](#), the CSMC authorized a letter of support for the St. Mary's River Watershed Association's application to the Chesapeake Bay Trust's Capacity Building Grant program.

The Commissioners then presented [commendations](#) to Ann and Paul Jean, Mary Ann Rymer, and the Center of Life Enrichment in recognition of twenty years of service with the [Home Delivered Meals Program](#).

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

- [Reviewed](#) future CSMC meeting agendas.
- [Approved](#) the FY2027 Performance Incentive Grant Fund award.
- [Approved](#) the FY2027 Overdose and Drug Awareness Coordinator Project Grant award.
- [Approved](#) the Department of Economic Development's request to submit census tracts 8760.04 and 8759.04 to the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development for consideration of opportunity zone designation.
- [Authorized](#) the Department of Land Use & Growth Management to seek a Maryland Historic Trust Historic Preservation Non-Capital Grant for FY2027.
- [Approved](#) the requested amendment to the employee timekeeping policy.

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

The CSMC reconvened at 2 p.m. for a ribbon cutting ceremony celebrating the St. Mary's County Early Learning Center.

- Watch the event video at: <https://youtu.be/-m7LA6nuObI>
- View the event photos: <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjCZHps>

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The next CSMC meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 28, 2026, at 9 a.m. in the CSMC Meeting Room, on the first floor of the Chesapeake Building, located at 41770 Baldrige Street in Leonardtown. **There will also be a public forum that day at 6:30 p.m.** CSMC decisions and related documents are available on the SMCG website by clicking ***Board Documents*** from the [home page](#). Meetings are open to the public and can be viewed live on SMCG TV Channel 95 or at www.youtube.com/@StMarysCoGov.

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