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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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November 17, 2026 Commissioner Meeting Rollup

LEONARDTOWN, MD – November 18, 2026 – The Commissioners of St. Mary's County (CSMC) began their business meeting with an invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by approval of the consent agenda.

As a part of the consent agenda, the CSMC approved St. Mary's County's participation in the settlement with Albertsons Companies, Inc. and the first one-year renewal of the Lease Agreement between the Commissioners of St. Mary's County and the St. Mary's County Chamber of Commerce, extending the lease from Feb. 10, 2027, through Feb. 9, 2028.

The CSMC then presented proclamations in recognition of National Family Caregivers Month, Animal Shelter Appreciation Week, Giving Tuesday and the Great American Smokeout.

The CSMC then recognized Commissioner President James "Randy" Guy for his final commissioner meeting with the Board after 12 years of service.

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

- Reviewed future CSMC meeting agendas.
- Approved the Cooperative Reimbursement Child Support Agreement application.
- Approved the budget amendment for the fire and smoke damper replacement at Leonardtown High School.
- Authorized the procurement officer to award the Jail Medical and Mental Health Services contract to PrimeCare Medical, Inc.
- Approved the temporary addition of one merit fiscal technician position in the Treasurer's Office and the related budget amendment.
- Authorized two additional days of paid holiday leave for eligible St. Mary's County Government employees on Dec. 24 and Dec. 31, 2026.
- Discussed the draft 2027 Land Preservation, Parks and Recreation Plan.

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- Approved the easements with SMECO to allow for the construction of the Three Notch Trail Phase VII.
- Authorized the Procurement Officer to sign the purchase order issued to Great Mills Trading Post Co, Inc. for entrance and parking lot construction at Snow Hill Park.
- Accepted the FY27 Program Open Space Grant awards.
- Approved the budget amendment for the Land and Water Conservation Fund grant.
- Approved the FY28 Waterway Improvement Fund grant application.
- Approved the reallocation of FY27 Funds to finance UPS replacements.
- Accepted the Maryland Department of Agriculture Spay and Neuter Grant award.
- Accepted the Exelon/Constellation FY27 Grant funding.
- Approved the Maryland Volunteer Firefighter Cancer Screening Grant application.
- Approved the Indemnification Waiver Agreement with Three Notch Hospitality LLC (Avid Hotel) for SBA 504 Loan closing.

The County Attorney's Office then presented the proposals for requested legislation in the 2027 General Assembly session.

The CSMC then wrapped up their business meeting with Commissioner Time.

In the afternoon the CSMC joined the St. Mary's County Arts Council for a ribbon cutting of the new Carver Community Arts Center and Makerspace then hosted a quarterly public forum in the evening.

The CSMC will not meet on Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2026. The next CSMC Meeting is Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2026, at 9 a.m. in the CSMC Meeting Room, on the first floor of the Chesapeake Building, located at 41770 Baldridge St. in Leonardtown**.**

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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