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September 24 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 <u>Homegrown School Lunch Week</u> and <u>National Service Dog Month</u>.

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

- Reviewed future CSMC meeting agendas.
- <u>Approved</u> the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) agreement to support the rehabilitation of 80 existing affordable rental units in Lexington Park.
- <u>Approved</u> the PILOT agreement and excise tax waiver to support the development of 40 new affordable rental townhomes in Lexington Park.
- <u>Held</u> a public hearing on the proposed changes to the St. Mary's County Public Ethics Ordinance.
- <u>Approved</u> the Land Water Conservation Fund Grant application to assist with the construction of playgrounds at St. Clements Shores Park and Cecil Park.
- <u>Approved</u> the budget amendment request to support the design of a new visitor's center and activity areas at Myrtle Point Park.
- Approved the Retired & Senior Volunteer Program three-year grant application.
- Approved the reorganization of the Department of Land Use and Growth Management.
- <u>Approved</u> the quit claim deed transferring all interest the CSMC may have in Cherry Street, located in the Piney Point Shores Subdivision, to Benchmark Property.

The CSMC then <u>voted</u> on the <u>2025 Legislative Proposals</u> as presented by the County Attorney's Office. The Commissioners will host a <u>joint public meeting</u> with the St. Mary's County Legislative Delegation on **Tuesday, October 1, 2024**, to consider these proposals.

The Commissioners wrapped their business meeting with Commissioner Time.

The Commissioners reconvened at 6 p.m. to host the Maryland Department of Transportation Secretary, Paul Wiedefeld and his team for the Consolidated Transportation Program (CTP) Tour meeting. The CTP is Maryland's six-year capital budget for transportation projects and infrastructure. During the meeting, the Secretary and MDOT staff presented information on the draft CTP, including upcoming projects and priorities specific to St. Mary's County.

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The next CSMC business meeting will be held on October 1, 2024, at 9 a.m. in the CSMC Meeting Room (1st floor, Chesapeake Building, 41770 Baldridge Street in Leonardtown). CSMC decisions and related documents are available on the St. Mary's County Government website in BoardDocs. Meetings are open to the public and can be viewed live on TV Channel 95 or ondemand via www.YouTube.com/@StMarysCoGov.

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