

**Public Business Meeting
Agenda**

Thursday, December 18, 2025 - 5:00 PM

*Allegany County Office Building, 701 Kelly Road, Allegany Room 100
Cumberland, Maryland 21502*

WE ASK THOSE CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD TO REGISTER ON THE SIGN-UP SHEET AND CONDENSE THEIR COMMENTS TO FIVE MINUTES OR LESS. THIS WILL ALLOW AN OPPORTUNITY FOR EVERYONE WISHING TO COME FORWARD TO HAVE A CHANCE TO SPEAK. WE WILL CONDUCT OUR MEETING IN AN ORDERLY FASHION AND ASK THAT EVERYONE WISHING TO SPEAK FIRST BE RECOGNIZED BY THE PRESIDENT, COME TO THE MICROPHONE, AND GIVE HIS OR HER NAME AND ADDRESS PRIOR TO THEIR COMMENTS.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Call to Order & Roll Call

3. Approval of Agenda

4. Statement of Closed Meeting

- A. The Board of County Commissioners did not meet in Closed Session on December 4, 2025.

5. Approval of Previous Meetings Minutes

6. Presentations

7. Public Hearing

- A. First Amendment to Code Home Rule Bill 2-25 - "An Act to Amend the Public Ethics Laws of Allegany County, Maryland" - T. Lee Beeman, Jr., County Attorney
Public hearing for amendment to the Code Home Rule Bill 2-25 to update local laws to reflect changes made to Maryland's public ethic laws. Commissioners may take action on Code Home Rule Bill 2-25 following the public hearing.

8. Action Agenda & Public Comment

- A. Ratification #15 of Emergency Procurements Pursuant to Res. 25-04, 25-08, & 25-10 - Adam Patterson, P.E., Director of Public Works
Following the flooding event on May 13, 2025, Resolution 25-04 was passed in order to temporarily suspend some purchasing provisions in the interest of time for emergency repairs. This is a continuation of that initial resolution.
- B. Agreement with the Community Trust Foundation on the creation of the Friends of the Allegany County Animal Shelter Fund - Jason Bennett, County Administrator

The creation of this fund will reestablish an avenue for community financial support to the shelter, under the oversight of the Community Trust Foundation.

9. Consent Agenda & Public Comment

- A. Approve the Issuance of 2026 Licenses for Salvage Yard Operations
Each year the Commissioners must approve the license applicants.
- B. Authorize the Western Maryland Strong Fund Agreement Addendum
This will allow the transfer of administration from the Department of Social Services to the Western Maryland Long Term Recovery Group in order to assist those affected by the flood.
- C. Execute an MOU with Maryland Department of Information Technology at the Tower Site along Bishop Walsh Road
This will allow for construction and maintenance of a communication tower for the Maryland FiRST statewide public safety 700 MHz communications system.
- D. Re-Appointment of Kathy Snyder and David Hall as Lay Board Members of the Allegany County Board of Appeals for Classified Employees
Each appointee will serve a term of three years.

10. General Public Comment

11. Reports

- A. County Administrator
- B. County Attorney

12. Commissioner Comments

13. Reminders/Upcoming Meetings

- A. NEXT MEETING - Thursday, January 15, 2026, 5:00 PM

14. Adjournment