

PUBLIC WORK SESSION NOTICE

The meeting will be held on **Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 3:00 PM at 701 Kelly Rd, Cumberland, MD, 21502 in Room 230**. This meeting is open to the media/public for observation and will be streamed on the County website for live viewing and playback.

The Allegany County Board of County Commissioners will hold a **PUBLIC WORK SESSION** to discuss the following:

- Public Business Meeting Agenda Items
- FY27 Budget Update
- Fairgrounds Ballfield Discussion
- Animal Shelter Discussion
- Tri-County Council Appointee Discussion
- DR Horton Development Agreement Status
- Del Fest Request for Contract Extension
- Departmental Updates as needed

It is anticipated that the Board of County Commissioners will move to convene a closed session to discuss the following:

- To consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation regarding Open Meetings Act complaints filed against the Board of County Commissioners (General Provisions Article Section 3-305(b)(8); and
- Consultation with counsel to obtain legal advice concerning the matters referenced above and other matters (General Provisions Article Section 3-305 (b)(7)).

Persons expected to be present during all or part of the closed session are all three County Commissioners; Jason M. Bennett, County Administrator; T. Lee Beeman, Jr., County Attorney; as well as Recording Secretary, Madison Taylor.

*A **work session** is a meeting where the Board of County Commissioners and staff gather to discuss issues, review information, and deliberate on upcoming decisions in a more informal setting than a regular meeting. The purpose of a work session is to allow for in-depth discussions, planning, and collaboration without the need for formal votes or public debate.*

*Unlike regular meetings, **work sessions typically do not include a public comment period** because they are meant for internal discussion and information-gathering rather than decision-making. Since no formal actions are taken, public input is usually reserved for official meetings where votes or policies are considered. However, members of the public are welcome to attend and observe the session.*

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