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PUBLIC WORK SESSION NOTICE

The meeting will be held on **Thursday, July 9, 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
- Department Updates, as needed
- Vacant Board & Commission Seats

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

- To conduct collective bargaining negotiations or consider matters that relate to the negotiations, specifically related to the Labor-Management Agreement with IAFF #1715 representing employees of the Department of Emergency Services (General Provisions Article Section 3-305(b)(9));
- To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of an appointee, employee, or official over whom it has jurisdiction, specifically related to appointment of potential members to the Animal Control Board (General Provisions Article Section 3-305(b)(2)(i));
- To consider a matter that concerns the proposal for a business or industrial organization to locate, expand, or remain in the State, specifically related to a proposal received by the Department of Economic & Community Development for a new business to locate in the State (General Provisions Article Section 3-305(b)(4)); and
- To consult with counsel to obtain legal advice about each of the above items (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; Kristi Liller, Director of Human Resources (Item 1); Roger Bennett, Director of Emergency Services (Item 1); Kati Kenney, Public Relations & Communications Manager (Item 2); Jeffrey Barclay, Director of Economic & Community Development (Item 3); 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*

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for official meetings where votes or policies are considered. However, members of the public are welcome to attend and observe the session.