



The County Commissioners of Kent County

Ronald H. Fithian, President | Albert H Nickerson, Member | John F. Price, Member
Shelley L. Heller, County Administrator | G. Robert Mowell, County Attorney

Agenda

Tuesday, April 28, 2026 - 10:00 AM

400 High Street

Chestertown, Maryland

Citizens wishing to address the Board must sign up and limit comments to three minutes. To ensure fairness and order, speakers must be recognized by the President, use the microphone, and state their name and address before speaking.

10:00 AM Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence

Consent Items

- 1) Regular Session Minutes, April 21, 2026
- 2) Liquor Minutes, April 21, 2026
- 3) Closed Session Minutes, April 21, 2026
- 4) Fuzzy Tails and Shiny Scales 4-H Club, Raffle Only, May 1 – June 20, 2026
- 5) Craig Kuhn, Program Manager, Forest Pest Management, Maryland Department of Agriculture
- Local Government Acknowledgement/Approval of Aerial Spray Operations for Spongy Moth Control
- 6) Jamie L. Williams, Director, Economic and Tourism Development
- Economic and Tourism Development Commission Member Appointment/Reappointment
- 7) Joanne McNamara, Director, Grants & Contracts - Maryland Energy Administration
FY2026 Residential Energy Equity Program Grant Agreement
- 8) Dan Mattson, Director, Public Works - Tolchester UV Equipment Installation Contract Award Approval

Special Class C Licenses

Radcliffe Creek School, Beer Only, May 23, 2026

Sultana Education Foundation, First Fridays

- Beer, Wine, and Liquor: May 1, 2026
- Beer and Wine: June 5, 2026
- Beer and Wine: August 7, 2026
- Beer and Wine: September 4, 2026
- Beer, Wine, and Liquor: October 2, 2026

Sultana Education Foundation, Beer and Wine, October 3, 2026

Sultana Education Foundation, Downrigging Event

- Beer and Wine October 30, 2026
- Beer and Wine October 31, 2026
- Beer and Wine November 1, 2026

Special Recognitions

Carly Palmer, Assistant Director of Marketing and Outreach, For All Seasons, Inc.

- Proclamation, April 2026 is Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Francoise Sullivan, Chair, Kent County Chapter, Delmarva Pride Center

- 2026 Kent County Pride Days

Pete Landon, Director, Office of Emergency Services, and Brian Pearsall, Emergency Planner

- Proclamation, Hurricane Preparedness Week is May 3-9, 2026

Department Requests/Updates

Joanne McNamara, Director, Grants and Contracts, and Jill Coleman, Director, Parks and Recreation

- Approval for Grant Application to Maryland Department of Transportation's FY2027 Recreational Trails Program to fund ADA-Compliant Trail at Turner's Creek Park

Holly Baldwin, Associate Planner, Planning, Housing, and Zoning

- Request for the Creation of Agricultural Land Preservation Districts

Shelley L. Heller, County Administrator

Letters of Concern Regarding 2025 SB0931 / HB1036: Public Utilities – Generation and Siting 3 (Renewable Energy Certainty Act) and Its Impacts on Kent County

Bonnie S. Pearsall, Inspector, Kent Alcohol and Tobacco Enforcement KATE

2026 Alcoholic Beverage License Renewal Applications

Letters or Documents for Signature

Rosemary Ramsey Granillo, Director, Local Management Board

- Community Reinvestment and Repair Funds Large Grant Award Contracts

Economic and Tourism Development Commission, Letter of Appreciation for Service

Letter of Support, Washington College GIS Intern, Alex Lougue

Public Notices

Code Home Rule Bill No 1-2026 Boats and Boating
-Adoption Notice

Code Home Rule Bill No 2-2026 Administration of Government
-Adoption Notice

For Your Information

Water Appropriation and Use Permit Renewal
- York Farm LLC

Water Appropriation and Use Permit
- Tideland Gardens, Inc.

American Rescue Plan Act Funds

4-14-2026 ARPA Fund Commissioner Report

Contingency Fund

4-14-2026 Commissioner Report Contingency

Public Comment/Media Review

Procedures for Public Comment

Closed Session

Hilary Siakor-Sirleaf, Warden, Kent County Detention Center and G. Robert Mowell,
County Attorney

Legal Advice and Pending or Potential Litigation - The meeting was closed under the Annotated Code of Maryland, General Provisions Article §3-305 (b) (7) to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice and (8) to consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation

Michael Sutton, Director, Human Resources

Personnel - The meeting was closed under the Annotated Code of Maryland, General Provisions Article §3-305(b)(1) To discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of appointees, employees, or officials over whom this public body has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals and (2) to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice.

Open Session

Adjournment