

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
JULY 17, 2007

IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Ernest J. Gregg
Commissioner Dennis G. Glotfelty
Commissioner Frederick A. Holliday

County Administrator R. Lamont Pagenhardt

CALL TO ORDER OF PUBLIC SESSION

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC SESSION

1. Additions/deletions to Public Meeting Agenda. Mr. Pagenhardt indicated that there were no additions or deletions to the Public Meeting Agenda for July 17, 2007.
2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of July 3, 2007 were read and approved on a motion by Commissioner Glotfelty, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous Chairman Gregg.
3. Wendy Yoder, Director, Department of Financial Services briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the following issues:
 - a) Update on annual real property tax sale.
 - b) List of "Top 20 Tax Payers" for Fiscal Year 2008.
 - c) GASB 45 liability and audit status to include consolidated meeting with the Board of Education and Garrett College.
 - d) Status of financial memorandum of understanding with the Garrett County Partnership for Children and Families.
 - e) Approval of Fiscal Year 2007 Budget amendments and carryover funds designated for Fiscal Year 2008.
4. John Nelson, Director, Department of Planning and Land Development briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the following issues:
 - a) Update of progress on County Comprehensive Plan.
 - b) Program Open Space projects – supplemental requests for allocation for \$4,128.50 for Town of Accident Little League/Softball Field scoreboard and \$2,783.29 for Town of Accident Little League/Softball Field batting cages. The

Board, on a motion by Commissioner Glotfelty, which was seconded by Chairman Gregg, and made unanimous by Commissioner Holliday, approved this allocation of funds.

- c) Note that Garrett County Memorial Hospital has not applied for approved Program Open Space funds from Fiscal Year 2007. The Hospital will be notified that an application must be made by October 1, 2007 or funds will be reallocated.
 - d) AgLand Preservation Program application for district formation. The local advisory board will review all applications prior to scheduling public hearing with the Board of County Commissioners.
 - e) Year-to-date building permits activity report.
5. Carol Riley, Executive Assistant to the Board of County Commissioners and County Administrator, reviewed the meeting and committee schedule for the forthcoming week
 6. Public Commentary. None on this date.

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

1. Mr. Pagenhardt reviewed a number of correspondences and communications with the Board of County Commissioners.
2. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Glotfelty, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, approved a real property tax abatement requested by Garrett County Memorial Hospital for Lot 61 - 69 Pythian Avenue, 15.94 acres W/S Pythian Avenue, Pythian Avenue (Medical Office Building), and Leighton Medical Office Building.
3. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Glotfelty, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, approved a real property abatement requested by Garrett County Community Action Committee, Inc. for Jennings Community Center, Overlook Early Child Education Center, Grantsville Senior Center, Pritts Building, and Liberty Street Center.
4. The Board of County Commissioners reviewed the following administrative matters:
 - a) In furtherance of the Petition by Point View, LLC to close a portion of Deep Creek Drive and the decision by the Board of County Commissioners to leave the public commentary open for a period of time at least until this date, the Board met senior County Government staff to further discuss this matter. In attendance was Mr. Nelson; James Hinebaugh, Director, Department of

Economic Development; Linda Lindsey, Director, Department of Public Utilities; County Roads Department; and Gorman Getty, County Attorney. Legal counsel for Point View, LLC has requested that the Board take no action on their Petition at this time. Also, a request for specific information sent by Mr. Pagenhardt to Point View, LLC has not been received (requested to be prepared by July 13, 2007). Mr. Getty recommended to the Board that he communicate with legal counsel for Point View, LLC to see if they would withdraw the Petition. They agreed to this recommendation. In response to public concern and realignment questions, Point View, LLC withdrew the Petition. A formal letter will be requested that will be addressed to the County Attorney.

- b) Mr. Nelson reviewed a response on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners to Eric Robison, Eagle Rock Construction, LLC. Mr. Robison questioned a number of County permits and inspection policies and recommended that the Board execute the letter of response. The Board agreed and executed the letter.
- c) Discussion on Keyser's Ridge/Grantsville Water System. Mr. Hinebaugh and Ms. Lindsey updated the Board on this planned project.
- d) Request for extension of water service from residents in the Table Rock area who are in service area.
- e) Building permit approvals for Lowe's Facility.
- f) Airport Commission Member Robert Railey met with the Board to voice his opinion on operations at the Garrett County Airport. Mr. Railey recommended the creation of an Airport Authority a suggestion the Board would not pursue.
- g) Home Rule for Code County Government. The Board unanimously agreed to proceed and requested the Mr. Getty and Mr. Pagenhardt to initiate the process.
- h) Additional Fiscal Year 2007 Budget amendments to include request for carryover funds yet to be approved.

ADJOURNMENT

Attest:

By Order of the Board,

R. Lamont Pagenhardt,
County Administrator

Ernest J. Gregg, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

Date