BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC MEETING SEPTEMBER 11, 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. <u>Additions/deletions to Public Meeting Agenda</u>. Mr. Pagenhardt indicated that there were no additions or deletions to the Public Meeting Agenda for September 11, 2007.
- 2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of September 4, 2007 were read and approved on a motion by Commissioner Glotfelty, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
- 3. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Glotfelty, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, executed a Proclamation welcoming P. K. Rajan, President of the Heritage India Foundation to Garrett County.
- 4. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Glotfelty, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, executed a Proclamation designating the week of September 17 to 23, 2007 as "Constitution Week".
- 5. Fred Polce, General Superintendent, County Roads Department briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the following matters:
 - a) Update on paving operations.
 - b) Various road maintenance and road safety projects.
 - c) Completion of tar and chip surface projects.
 - d) Bridge construction and maintenance projects to include Thayerville Bridge and agreement with Keystone Corporation for ownership and conveyance.
 - e) Other projects.

- 6. Bradley Frantz, Director, Department of Emergency Management briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the following matters:
 - a) Mr. Frantz recommended that the Board of County Commissioners execute a Proclamation designating September 11, 2007 as "Day of Remembrance 9-11-07". A Proclamation by Government O'Malley designating September as "Preparedness Month" was also read.
 - b) Recognition of Kenny Collins as 9-1-1 Telcommunicator of the Year.
 - c) Recognition of Deceased Fire and Rescue Volunteers.
 - d) Presentation of final draft Length of Service Award Program guidelines.
- 7. Patricia Schrock, representing Harvey House, requested that the session previously schedule for this date be postponed.
- 8. Public Commentary. None on this date.
- 9. Carol Riley, Executive Assistant to the Board of County Commissioners and County Administrator, reviewed the meeting and committee schedule for the forthcoming week.
- 10. The Purchasing Department presented a recommendation of bid award for Gorman Water System Table Rock Water Line Extension (bid #07-0906). The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Glotfelty, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, approved an award to Mountaineer Contractors, Inc. for \$289,840.
- 11. The Board of County Commissioners traveled to the McHenry State Police Barrack to participate in a welcome ceremony for newly appointed Barrack Commander Lieutenant Frey.
- 12. The Board of County Commissioners conducted a session with officers from the Southern Garrett Rescue Squad and Northern Garrett Rescue Squad to present a plan of action to employ paid emergency service personnel. In attendance for this session were members of the Emergency Services Board; Dr. Richard Perry, MD, Jurisdictional Medical Officer for Garrett County; staff with the Department of Emergency Management; and County Attorney Gorman Getty. The Board of County Commissioners expressed their commitment to a more efficient provision of emergency medical services. The Board decided to proceed with advertising for personnel and a final funding decision (Special Revenue Allocation or Squad Billing Revenue) will be determined after a review by both Squads and the Emergency Services Board.

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

- 1. Prior to the call to order of the Public Session, the Board of County Commissioners met with James Hinebaugh, Director, Department of Economic Development to discuss a number of economic development matters.
- 2. Mr. Pagenhardt reviewed a number of correspondences and communications with the Board of County Commissioners.
- 3. The Board of County Commissioners, in furtherance of notification by Judge James Sherbin on September 4, 2007, decided that conditions of the grant that require additional funding to be directed to renovation or construction of the Frederick A. Thayer, III Court House or County Administrative Building are not practicable.
- 4. At the request of the Garrett County Department of Social Services Advisory Board, the Board of County Commissioners removed Steven Whittington from the Advisory Board. Mr. Whittington has not attended any board meetings. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Glotfelty, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, agreed to this recommendation. An official letter will be sent to Mr. Whittington notifying him of this determination.
- 5. The Board of County Commissioners executed a letter of support for the development of wind energy by US Wind Force and Edison Mission Group. This letter was addressed to Governor O'Malley and was requested by management with US Windforce.
- 6. Chairman Gregg and Mr. Pagenhardt executed a Resolution supporting Domestic Sexual Resource Center approval for tax credits for business entities that contribute to the Center under the Department of Housing and Community Development of the State of Maryland under the Department's Community Investment Tax Credit Program.

ADJOURNMENT

Attest:	By Order of the Board,
R. Lamont Pagenhardt, County Administrator	Ernest J. Gregg, Chairman Board of County Commissioners
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