

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
October 3, 2016

IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Paul C. Edwards
Commissioner James C. Hinebaugh, Jr.
Commissioner S. Larry Tichnell

County Administrator Kevin G. Null

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

The Administrative Session was open at 3:05 P.M.

1. Board Appointments:

- A. Deep Creek Watershed Board of Zoning Appeals – A notice was posted on the Garrett County Government Website of two (2) openings due to expired terms. Both incumbents, Robert Browning and Stephen Gnegy expressed an interest in being reappointed. A letter of interest was received from Michael Beard.

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Hinebaugh, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, reappointed Robert Browning and Stephen Gnegy for a three-year term.

An official letter of appointment will be sent to the appointees under the signature of Chairman Edwards.

- B. Health Planning Council – Charles Wilt has been appointed as the new Mountain Laurel Medical Center Executive Director replacing Beth Little-Terry who retired.

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Hinebaugh, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, appointed Charles Wilt to the Health Planning Council representing the Mountain Laurel Medical Center.

An official letter of appointment will be sent to the Mr. Wilt under the signature of Chairman Edwards.

2. Request for a three (3) year Property tax abatement for the Chautauqua Park West Housing Project being planned by Garrett County Community Action Committee, Inc. The estimated value of the tax abatement for FY 2018 - FY 2020 is \$41,500 annually.

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the three (3) year tax abatement for the Chautauqua Park West Housing Project.

The Administrative Session was closed at 3:35P.M.

CALL TO ORDER OF PUBLIC SESSION at 4:00 PM

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Invocation by Commissioner Tichnell

PUBLIC SESSION

1. Mr. Null indicated there were no additions or deletions to the Public Meeting Agenda. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the Public Meeting Agenda for October 3, 2016.
2. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Hinebaugh, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the Public Meeting Minutes for September 20, 2016.
3. Proclamations: Domestic Violence Awareness Month
Breast Cancer Awareness Month
4. Safety Award – Chesapeake Employer’s Insurance Company presented a certificate and plaque to the Garrett County Department of Human Resources - Risk Management Division in recognition the Garrett County Government’s commitment to workplace safety.
5. “Garrett County’s Most Beautiful Person 2016” Ceremony - James Shaffer, Garrett County’s Most Beautiful Person Committee Member, conducted the 30th Annual Garrett County’s Most Beautiful Person Award Ceremony. The six (6) nominations received were: Lena Fratz, Stewart Holt, Eric Robison, Cindy’s Fund, William Weissgerber, and George W. Landers. Mr. George Lander’s was recognized as being selected as the 2016 Garrett County’s Most Beautiful Person.

The Board of County Commissioners presented each nominee with a Certificate of Commendation and a gift of Garrett County Syrup to honor and recognize their contributions and volunteerism. Senator Edwards presented a Senate of Maryland Proclamation to Mr. Landers.

6. Garrett County Purchasing Department presented the following Bid Awards:
 - A. Industrial Box Gutter and Down Spout Replacement - Garrett College Career Technology and Training Center.

Two bids were received; Daystar Builders at \$15,309.84 & J & J Seamless Gutter at \$24,975.44. The Purchasing Department recommended awarding bid to Daystar Builders.
 - B. McHenry Business Park Contract #4 – Road Construction - This is an ARC funded project. Five bids were received: First Fruits Excavating at \$503,815.50, BYCO Enterprises at \$525,027.25, Beitzel Corp at \$574,376.00, Mountaineer Contractors at \$689,229.25 and Excavating Associates at \$719,383.00.

The award of the bid requires concurrence from Maryland State Highway Administration, which has not been officially received. The Purchasing Department recommended awarding the bid to First Fruits Excavating, Inc. contingent upon official approval by Maryland State Highway Administration.
 - C. Winter Abrasives and Road Salt
 1. Stone Dust - \$13.90-\$19.60 per ton - depending on quarry location. The Purchasing Department recommended awarding the Bid to the following vendors: George’s Creek

Stone & Gravel, Keystone Lime Company, Maryland Minerals, Inc., Fairfax Concrete Products, and Allegany Aggregates.

2. Anti-Skid - The Purchasing Department recommended awarding the Bid to Belmont Aggregates, Inc. at \$7.50 per ton.
 3. Road Salt-The Purchasing Department recommended awarding the Bid to Cargill, Inc. at \$97.86 per ton and American Rock Salt at \$97.86 per ton.
- D. Contractual Snow Removal Services - Eleven (11) locations were bid. Five (5) bids were received for seven (7) of the eleven locations. Specifics of the award for location and vendor are on file with the Purchasing Department.

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the award of all bids as recommended by the Garrett County Purchasing Department.

The Public Meeting was closed at 4:33 P.M. and the Public Hearing was opened at 4:34 P.M.

7. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Southern Garrett Industrial Park – Enterprise Zone Application

Kim Durst, Economic Development Specialist, Garrett County Department of Economic Development, reviewed the need for the re-designation of the Southern Garrett Industrial Park, Southern Garrett Business and Technology Park, and Simon Pearce manufacturing facility as an Enterprise Zone.

There were no public comments on the Enterprise Zone Application.

On a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, the Public Hearing was closed at 4:36 P.M. and the Public Meeting was opened.

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the adoption of a Resolution re-designating the Enterprise Zone.

8. Garrett County Department of Economic Development - Resolution: Keyzers Ridge Business Park – Sale of 15 acres to The Ridge Group, LLC. (Grow West) for \$525,000. (\$35,000 per acre). The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Hinebaugh, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved Resolution # 2016-5 to sell the property.
9. Public Commentary
 - A resident expressed concern of recent algae blooms in Deep Creek Lake and asked if this was a Department of Natural Resources or Maryland Department of the Environment issue and should it be integrated into the Watershed Management Plan?
 - A resident expressed a need for a process to help residents who may have contaminated wells receive potable water.
10. The Board of Garrett County Commissioners next scheduled Public Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. at the Public Meeting Room, Garrett County Courthouse with an Administrative Session scheduled at 3:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, adjourned the Public Meeting at 4:45 P.M.

Attest:

By Order of the Board,

Kevin G. Null,
County Administrator

Paul C. Edwards, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners