

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
JUNE 25, 2002

IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Ernest J. Gregg, Jr.
Commissioner Wendell R. Beitzel
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 agenda for June 25, 2002.
2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of June 18, 2002 and Administrative Session of June 20, 2002 were read and approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
3. Steve Green, Chairperson of the Garrett County Recreational Trails Task Force briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the status of bicycle trails proposed in the County. The Task Force had been working on plans to incorporate trails along both State and County roads to allow residents and visitors to travel between a number of locations. An adjacent landowner survey was also reviewed.
4. Mr. Green, who is also the newly elected chairperson of the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce, reinforced the importance of working together with the Board of County Commissioners and County department level staff. Mr. Green also listed the most important task ahead for the Chamber is the retention of members and to provide more business related assistance in addition to the marketing of the tourism industry.
5. John Nelson, Director of the Department of Planning and Zoning informed the Board of County Commissioners that an official announcement by the State of Maryland Department of Natural Resources on the award of "Rural Legacy" funds will be made on June 26, 2002. The County had applied for funds under this program several months through a competitive grant application process and the invitation to attend the announcement ceremony indicates that Garrett County will be the recipient of funding. Commissioner Holliday will attend the announcement ceremony to represent the Board of County Commissioners.
6. Amy Buser, a victim of an attempted carjacking in April of 2001 requested the support of the Board of County Commissioners in her mission to have the State of Maryland Department of Juvenile Justice provide more security measures for youth detention centers in Garrett County. Ms. Buser read a letter that explained her personal ordeal and her intention to secure one thousand (1,000) signatures on a petition to be sent to the State listing the insistence that more secure oversight of the system be adopted and put into place.

7. Floyd Ellis, a resident of McHenry, was in attendance to voice his concerns over the traffic light sequence and turning indicators at the Mosser Road/Route 219 intersection. Mr. Ellis also had a safety concern with pedestrian walkways along Route 219 in a number of locations. Chairman Gregg, who is also a member of the Garrett County Traffic Advisory Committee, will place each issue on the next agenda of the committee.
8. The Procurement Office presented the following recommendation bid award to the Board of County Commissioners:
 - ∇ Custodial Cleaning and Paper Products (bid #02-0604C). This bid award was approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
 - ∇ Tires (bid #02-0618). This bid award was approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
 - ∇ Construction of Wetland Treatment System (bid #02-0528W). There was one (1) bid received for this project. It was the recommendation of Mr. Pagenhardt, based on assurance from Gary, Love, Director of the Department of Solid Waste and Recycling, that the project can be completed effectively and timely by the Department and that the bid received be rejected. This rejection of the bid received was approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
 - ∇ Computers (bid #02-0611). Commissioner Beitzel entered a motion to reject all bids received based on the fact the total bid tabulation was less than the \$15,000 threshold for procurement requirements. The motion to reject all bids and award to the lowest County vendor included the stipulation on Mr. Pagenhardt's review of this proposed action with Gorman Getty, County Attorney for legal sufficiency. Mr. Getty subsequently agreed with this proposed action by the Board and the motion was then seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg. The bid was therefore awarded to I.C. Electronics.
 - ∇ The bid recommendation for Examination/Food Handling Gloves was not presented.

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

1. Chairman Gregg, on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, executed an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County and Maryland Environmental Service to participate in "scrap tire amnesty day". This event will take place at the Garrett County Fairgrounds on September 21, 2002.
2. The Board of County Commissioners again reviewed a request that Mary Beth Pirolozzi be appointed to the Garrett County Department of Social Services Advisory Board. The Board had reviewed a prior request to appoint this individual on May 4, 2002 with this request for appointment not approved based on the fact that Ms. Pirolozzi is not a resident of Garrett County. On this date Commissioner Holliday entered a motion to reconsider prior action and to appoint Ms. Pirolozzi to this advisory board. The motion did not pass for a lack of a second. Mr. Pagenhardt will notify the Department of Social Services of this action by the Board of County Commissioners.
3. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded and carried by Chairman Gregg, appointed Walter C. Lee to the position of dispatcher with the Department of Emergency Management. Mr. Pagenhardt will

send an official letter of appointment to Mr. Lee outlining all terms and conditions of this appointment. Commissioner Beitzel was not in attendance for this issue.

4. Gary Mullich, Director of the Department of General Services, briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the status of Court House renovation project. At this time, all bids received were put on hold and Mr. Mullich was negotiating with all contracting firms to see where additional deletions to the project can be made. One issue that may reduce the cost is a waiver of tipping fees at the County Landfill. This will be considered at the appropriate time along with any budgetary amendment.
5. The remainder of the day was spent in administrative session.

ADJOURNMENT

Attest:

By Order of the Board,

R. Lamont Pagenhardt,
County Administrator

Ernest J. Gregg, Jr., Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

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