

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
APRIL 15, 2003

IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Ernest J. Gregg
Commissioner David C. Beard
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 two (2) additions and one (1) deletion to the public agenda for April 15, 2003. The Board of County Commissioners would reschedule the departmental update with Sheriff P. Richard Sanders for a later date. The Board would briefly meet with Gary Mullich, Director, Department of General Services on issues related to the Garrett County Airport and also review current financial information relative to the Constant Yield Public Hearing on this date.
2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of April 8, 2003 and Administrative Session of April 10, 2003 were read and approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
3. Mr. Mullich informed the Board of County Commissioners that a public information meeting would be scheduled for May 1, 2003 at Garrett College. The agenda for this meeting is to inform the public on possible zoning and land use issues related to the Airport. A press release announcing this meeting will be prepared for distribution to the media.
4. The Board of County Commissioners conducted a public hearing as required by the Annotated Code of the State of Maryland on the constant yield for Fiscal Year 2004. It is the intention of the Board to not stay with the constant yield real property tax rate and therefore this meeting was scheduled. Public comment was received and taken under advisement. Chairman Gregg announced that the Operating and Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2004 would be set at 11:00 AM on May 13, 2003.
5. The Procurement Office conducted bid openings for the following:

- Hot mix asphalt (bid #03-0415HM)
- Liquid asphalt (bid #03-0415LA)
- Standing timber sale (#03-0415)

All bids received will be reviewed by the Brian Bowers, Procurement Officer, who will present a recommendation of award as soon as feasible.

6. Mr. Bowers presented a preliminary vehicle comparison report for Fiscal Year 2004 showing contract prices through the State of Maryland as compared to actual bid prices for Fiscal Year 2003 County contracts. The purpose of this report was to show the potential savings if vehicles for Fiscal Year 2004 were to be purchased through the existing State contract. Mr. Bowers requested that the Board consider submitting a letter of intent that will allow the County to purchase vehicles from the State contract in lieu of advertising for bids locally. After a deliberation and review of the financial savings, the Board, on a motion by Chairman Gregg, which was seconded and carried by Commissioner Beard, directed Mr. Bowers to send the letter of intent to participate in the State contract for the purchase of approved vehicles. Commissioner Holliday voted in opposition and reinforced his opinion to support local dealerships.
7. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, moved into Executive Session under section 10-508 of the Maryland Open Meetings Law on this date to address personnel issues. The same motion moved back to public session.

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

1. Chairman Gregg and Mr. Pagenhardt executed the Child Enforcement Administration Cooperative Reimbursement Agreement for Fiscal Year 2004 between the State of Maryland Department of Human Resources and the Board of County Commissioners. The County Department of Financial Services and the Garrett County Circuit Court prior to being forwarded to the State will review the agreement.
2. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Beard, which was seconded by Chairman Gregg, and made unanimous by Commissioner Holliday, appointed the following individuals to the Garrett County Civil Service Commission:
 - Donald Stemple, Member at large, three year appointment
 - Betty Wolford, Member at large, two year appointment
 - Michael Bittinger, Employee member
 - Lawrence Dawson, Alternate employee member

Official letters will be sent to each member under the signature of Chairman Gregg outlining each term of appointment.

3. The Board of County Commissioners reviewed the requirement by the Office of the Governor to submit a list of nominations for the Garrett County Property Tax Assessment Appeal Board. Names to be submitted for considered will be Carl Bender, reappointment as member, Carl Rebele, reappointment as alternate, Robert Quick, Joseph Winters, William Skipper, and Richard Towers.
4. 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, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

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