

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
JUNE 15, 2004

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 was one (1) addition and one (1) deletion to the Public Meeting of June 15, 2004. Gary Yoder, State of Maryland Department of Natural Resources requested time to review the Crellin Mine Reclamation Project. The bid award for Investment Services –Garrett County Law Enforcement Retirement Plan will be deferred until June 22, 2004.
2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of June 8, 2004 were read, and approved on a motion by Commissioner Beard, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
3. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Beard, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, proclaimed the month of June as “Homeownership Month”. Representatives from a number of local financial institutions and Garrett County Community Action Committee were in attendance for this session. Discussion was presented on the financial impact of first time homeowners and the increase in public water and sewer fees. The Board will take this matter under advisement.
4. Brad Frantz, Director, Department of Emergency Management briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the following issues. Ginny McGann, Planner with the Department, was also in attendance.
 - a) The 911 Center has received 10,500 calls for Fiscal Year 2004, 63 calls per day, which is on pace with calls for Fiscal Year 2003.

- b) The Department received the “Governor of the State of Maryland Star of Life Award” for the Interstate 68 accident. This recognition was in furtherance of Department staff and the response to this major incident.
 - c) Installation of Phase 1 Wireless Address System installation is complete.
 - d) Emergency Medical Dispatch recertification for applicable staff was undertaken.
 - e) Automated Emergency Defibulator Program has placed additional units in key locations throughout the County.
 - f) Special response trailers purchased through the Homeland Security Administration have been stocked and will be placed at strategic locations throughout the County in the next several weeks.
 - g) Ms. McGann presented the Homeland Security Mitigation Plan. The Plan is under review for final approval by the Federal Emergency Management Administration and adoption by the Board of County Commissioners through a public notification and hearing process.
 - h) Emergency Preparation Plan update and revision. Meetings will be scheduled with responsible County departments and agencies to receive input and recommendation for inclusion for grant funding.
 - i) Training sessions will be scheduled with County departments and other offices that the County has an existing mutual aid agreement with and other community emergency response offices.
5. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Beard, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, approved a recommendation of bid award by the Procurement Office for office furniture (bid #04-0608F).
6. Gary Yoder, representing the State of Maryland Department of Natural Resources met with the Board of County Commissioners on the Crellin Mine Reclamation Project and the participation of County Government and Crellin Elementary School.
7. The Board of County Commissioners conducted a public hearing on proposed and recommended amendments to the Garrett County Water and Sewer Master Plan. Department of Public Utilities management presented an overview of sections of the Plan recommended for amendment to those in attendance. The amendments were presented for consideration based on development activity in the County, primarily in the Deep Creek Watershed. Final draft for the Plan will be reviewed with the State of Maryland Department of the Environment and the State of Maryland Department of Planning in July prior to an official review and action by the Board. The Board agreed to leave the public record open for additional public opinion and commentary. The Board will consider allowing public commentary up until the time of a public hearing to be scheduled for the adoption of the Comprehensive Garrett County Water and Sewer Master Plan, most likely in August.

8. Carol Riley, Secretary to the Board of County Commissioners and County Administrator, reviewed the meeting and committee schedule for the forthcoming week.
9. The Procurement Office conducted a bid opening on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners for crew cab pick-up (bid #04-0615C). All bids received will be reviewed with a recommendation of award to be presented to the Board as soon as feasible.

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

1. Mr. Pagenhardt reviewed a number of correspondences and communications with the Board of County Commissioners.
2. The Board of County Commissioners executed a letter to the Maryland Ag-Land Preservation Foundation for the Fiscal Year 2005 funding cycle to include property owned by Jack Hebb (file #11-08-03-06).
3. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Chairman Gregg, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Commission Holliday, executed a resolution in furtherance of prior legislative action taken in 2003 whereby the Board of County Commissioner exercised jurisdiction over the Sanitary Commission, adopted a Resolution discharging from any further obligation with respect to the governance of the Sanitary District and the individual Sanitary Commission members now serving will be discharged from any further obligation with the thanks for the Board of County Commissioner for their tenure and service for many years in the public interest.

ADJOURNMENT

Attest:

By Order of the Board,

R. Lamont Pagenhardt,
County Administrator

Ernest J. Gregg, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

Date