

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
MARCH 22, 2005

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 no additions and one deletions to the Public Meeting of March 22, 2005. The departmental update with Department of General Services Director Gary Mullich was postponed and will be rescheduled for another date.
2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of March 15, 2005 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 recognized student athletes from Northern Garrett High School and Southern Garrett High School who placed in the State Wrestling Tournament. Those recognized were Northern Garrett High School: Casey Kamp, Brock Glotfelty, and Michael Wolf and Southern Garrett High School: Scott Wildersen, Justin Fitzwater, Daniel Carr, Nathan Sines, and Justin Ratliff.
4. The Board of County Commissioners conducted a Public Hearing to receive commentary to consider an amendment to the Garrett County Water and Sewer Master Plan. A request has been received from the developers of the Glendale Woods Subdivision for the Department of Public Utilities to accept the operation and maintenance of public water and sewer service to the Glendale Woods Subdivision located southeast of the Glendale Road, .7 miles northeast of US Route 219 being the same property as referenced by Tax Map 58, Parcel 693. The developers of Glendale Woods intend for this parcel to be a residential development. The plat of survey for this subdivision includes 6 residential building sites. The proposed water system will consist of two wells. The raw water will be piped to a control building for treatment and distribution to the lots within the subdivision. The water will be tested to determine potable treatment requirements. Based on the surrounding geology and other groundwater sources in the area, it is anticipated that the treatment will be only chlorination.

Garrett County has prepared a draft operations and maintenance contract to provide to the developers which will be executed once the design and construction of the system are finalized. The department of Public Utilities intends to operate and maintain the system utilizing licensed water plant and distribution system operators and maintenance technicians.

The Board, on a motion by Commissioner Beard, which was seconded by Chairman Gregg, and made unanimous by Commissioner Holliday, approved the amendment to the Master Plan with the stipulation that the system is self-sustaining and there will not be a financial subsidy by the County and executed an official Resolution documenting this action.

5. On March 8, 2005 The Board of County Commissioners conducted a Public Hearing to review public commentary on proposed amendments to the Garrett County Water and Sewer Master Plan pertaining to Maryland Developer's LLC request for public sewer service. This amendment reads that Maryland Developer's LLC has requested that public sewer service be provided to a development located adjacent to the Oakland Sang Run. At that time the Board determined to hold the commentary period open until this date. Public commentary included a suggestion that the development of the property install/construct the conveyance line in a manner that other public connection can be made in the future. The developer of the property, who was in attendance for this session, agreed to this suggestion. The Board had previously discussed this option and these plans will be considered. The Board, on a motion by Commissioner Beard, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, approved the amendment as presented. The Board executed an official Resolution on this date.
6. Linda Lindsey, County Risk Manager presented and recommended a standard policy agreement relating to the provision of sewer service, subject to the specific terms and conditions. Chairman Gregg and Mr. Pagenhardt, on behalf of the Board, executed an agreement between the County and HC Reserve, LLC under these definitive provisions of this standard agreement format.
7. Carol Riley, Executive Assistant to the Board of County Commissioners and County Administrator, reviewed the meeting and committee schedule for the forthcoming week.

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

1. Mr. Pagenhardt reviewed a number of correspondences and communications with the Board of County Commissioners.
2. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, re-appointed Timothy Schwinabart to the Garrett County Planning Commissioner for another five (5) year term. An official letter of appointment will be sent to Mr. Schwinabart under the signature of Chairman Gregg.

3. Department of Financial Services staff met with the Board of County Commissioners to review the following matters:
- a) The Board, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, approved a number of Fiscal Year Budget amendments.
 - b) A review of the Fiscal Year 2006 Constant Yield announcement to include calculation of the real property tax rate for the Town of Mountain Lake Park based on tax differential setoff and approved annexation parcels.
 - c) Staff presented a recommendation that the County discontinue providing Motor Vehicle Administration services by the Department of Financial Services Tax Office. The Board, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, agreed to this recommendation with an effective date to be no later than June 30, 2005. Staff will evaluate any intergovernmental agreements that may stipulate an ending date.
 - d) The Board reviewed a request from Repeat Hospitality LLC and Santa Fe Grille that the County provide a three (3) year deferral of the cost of twelve (12) equivalent residential units at \$78,000 with a total repayment of an additional ten (10) years. The Board, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, found this request to be unacceptable and therefore denied this request.

ADJOURNMENT

Attest:

R. Lamont Pagenhardt,
County Administrator

By Order of the Board,

Ernest J. Gregg, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

Date