

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
April 17, 2018

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 opened at 3:00 P.M.

1. Accident Community Housing Corporation – Request for Fiscal Year 2019 County Property Tax Abatement

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved a real property tax exemption for Accident Community Housing Corporation for Fiscal Year 2019.

2. Mr. Null reviewed a number of administrative, non-privileged personnel, and managerial matters under his authority and jurisdiction with the Board of County Commissioners.

Discussion Items:

- ❖ Maryland Safe to Learn Act of 2018 – Fiscal Impact of complying with mandate to “provide adequate law enforcement coverage to every public school”. While grant funding is included in the Act, the County does not know how funds will be allocated.
- ❖ House Bill 16 – Maryland Community College Promise Scholarships – Providing \$5,000 Scholarships to Community Colleges.
- ❖ Garrett County Government Employee Health Fair will be held on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Garrett County Fairgrounds.

The Administrative Session was closed at 3:55 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER OF PUBLIC SESSION at 4:00 PM

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Invocation by Pastor Kroll

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 April 17, 2018.
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 of April 2, 2018.

3. Proclamation: National Day of Prayer – May 3, 2018. The theme for this year’s event is ***Pray for America – UNITY!*** Presented to Pastor Rexrode and Pastor Kroll.
4. Arbor Day Proclamation – April 4, 2018 – Governor’s Proclamation presented to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources and the Garrett County Forestry Board.
5. The Garrett County Purchasing Department presented the following recommendations:

Bid #18-0220 – Historic Structure Report – Frederick A. Thayer III Courthouse

Six (6) responses were received for this Bid. A Selection Committee reviewed the proposals based on evaluation criteria contained in the RFP and an overall summary was developed. Based on the evaluation summary, cost proposal, and reference checks, the Garrett County Purchasing Department recommended that this contract be awarded to Stiffler, McGraw Architects, LLC for \$27,500.00.

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 Bid as recommended.

6. Garrett County Department of Economic Development - Applicants for Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) funded projects made presentations to the Board of County Commissioners.

The following Five (5) projects were presented for the Appalachian Regional Commission Fiscal Year 2019 Project Requests:

- Adventure Capital Welcome Conference
- Chautauqua Park West
- Do the LOOP - Otto Lane to New Germany Trail Segment
- Local Access Road – Glendale Road
- Local Access Road – Keyser’s Ridge

7. Garrett County Community Action Committee, Inc. – Chautauqua Park – Request for County Property Tax Abatement. For 21 units of new family housing to be constructed as part of Chautauqua Park West. The abatement to be effective from 2020-2023.

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved a real property tax exemption for Garrett County Community Action Committee – Chautauqua Park West project – as requested.

8. ANNOUNCEMENT:

- ❖ Garrett County Government Agencies will present their Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Requests to the Board of County Commissioners on this date at 5:00 p.m.

9. Public Comments - None

10. The Board of Garrett County Commissioners next scheduled Public Meeting will be Monday, May 7, 2018 at 4:00 PM at the Garrett County Courthouse.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Hinebaugh, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, adjourned the Public Meeting at 4:50 P.M.

Attest:

By Order of the Board,

KEVIN G. NULL
County Administrator

PAUL C. EDWARDS, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners