

**BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**PUBLIC MEETING**  
**June 6, 2006**

**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 or deletions to the Public Agenda for June 6, 2006.
2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of May 30, 2006 were read and approved on a motion by Commissioner Beard, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
3. John Nelson, Director, Department of Planning and Land Development, briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the following issues:
  - a) The Department and Environmental Resource Management, consultants hired to prepare the County Comprehensive Plan, will be scheduling a public informational session to receive commentary to be considered for inclusion in the Plan.
  - b) Summary of Zoning Appeals Board decision on Thousand Acres Development, Inc. applications for amendments to the Deep Creek Watershed Zoning Ordinance.
  - c) Update of transient vacation rental registration process.
  - d) Building permit activity year to date.
  - e) Presentation of Fiscal Year 2007 Program Open Space Project Requests. The Board will review all requests prior to final approval.
  - f) The Department will schedule a session to review a letter from Garrett County Electrical Mechanical Association.
  - g) Review summary of Reality Check Meeting conducted on June 1 by the State of Maryland Department of Planning. A number of County staff and other

individuals attended this session that included interested persons from Allegany, Washington, Frederick, and Garrett Counties.

- h) Other discussion topics.
4. Carol Riley, Executive Assistant to the Board of County Commissioners and County Administrator, reviewed the meeting and committee schedule for the forthcoming week.
  5. The Board of County Commissioners presented Fiscal Year 2007 Operating and Capital Budget and all applicable tax rates. Official action was taken as follows. Chairman Gregg read Budget approval issue and requested a motion to approve.
    - a) The Landfill Bond Ad Valorem Tax - \$0.04. Tax rate approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
    - b) Supplemental Levy for Special Taxing Areas - The Ad Valorem Tax – Garrett County Sanitary District
      - 1) Bloomington Sanitary District – Water - \$0.18
      - 2) Chestnut Ridge Sewer Sanitary District - \$0.18
      - 3) Deer Park Sewer Sanitary District - \$0.15
      - 4) Deer Park Water Sanitary District - \$0.15
      - 5) Friendsville Water Sanitary District - \$0.08
      - 6) Jennings Sewer Sanitary District - \$0.20
      - 7) Mountain Lake Park – Loch Lynn Sewer Sanitary District - \$0.04
      - 8) Mountain Lake Park – Loch Lynn Water Sanitary District - \$0.01
      - 9) McHenry Water Sanitary District - \$0.02
      - 10) Meadow Mountain Sewer Sanitary District - \$0.08
      - 11) Keyser’s Ridge Water Sanitary District - \$0.50

All tax rates approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.

- c) The Real Property Tax (to include tax rate excluding fire tax, special fire tax levy per \$100, and Landfill Bond Tax)

- 1) Mountain Lake Park - \$0.945
- 2) Oakland - \$0.925
- 3) All other areas - \$1.000

All tax rates approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.

d) Public Utilities Tax (to include tax rate excluding fire tax, special fire tax levy per \$100, and Landfill Bond Tax)

- 1) Mountain Lake Park - \$2.362
- 2) Oakland - \$2.312
- 3) All other areas - \$2.500

All tax rates approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.

e) Fiscal Year 2006 Operating and Capital Budget of \$66,816,257

Approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.

Public commentary was received on the budget process, Board of County Commissioners Scholarship Program, funding for the Ruth Enlow Library of Garrett County, County gaming and licensing programs, and other.

Commissioner Holliday commended County employees and stated his opinion that the taxpayers receive a high return of their investment, the Board of County Commissioners Scholarship Program, incentives for volunteer fire and rescue personnel, capital projects that are funded without incurring additional debt, and support for additional law enforcement personnel.

Commissioner Beard voiced his opinion on many of the same topics as Commissioner Holliday expressed but also the steps the Board has taken to reduce or eliminate a number of taxes.

Chairman Gregg noted the County's exemplary Roads Department, educational agencies, and other departments.

6. The Purchasing Department presented recommendations of bid award for the following:
  - a) Fuel (bid #06-0525FO). The Board on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, approved a bid award to Oakland Oil Company. Various product prices may be referenced in the Purchasing Department.
  - b) Liquid Asphalt (bid #06-0525LA). The Board on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made

unanimous by Chairman Gregg, approved a bid award to Hammaker East Ltd for \$511,119.

- c) Hot Mix Asphalt (bid #06-0525HM). The Board, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, approved a bid award to Keystone Lime Company, Inc. for \$2,455,330.
- d) Office Furniture (bid #06-0525F). The Board on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beard, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, approved a bid award to Mark IV Office Supply for a discount of fifty-two percent (52%) for all purchases.

- 7. The Board of County Commissioners welcomed Dr. Paul Dauphinais to his new position as Garrett College President. Dr. Dauphinais begins his tenure at the College replacing Dr. Stephen Herman who recently retired after twenty (20) years as college president.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION**

- 1. Mr. Pagenhardt reviewed a number of correspondences and communications with the Board of County Commissioners.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Attest:**

**By Order of the Board,**

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R. Lamont Pagenhardt,  
County Administrator

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Ernest J. Gregg, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners

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Date