

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
July 5, 2011

IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Gregan T. Crawford
Commissioner Robert G. Gatto
Commissioner James M. Raley

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 there were no additions or deletions to the Public Meeting Agenda for July 5, 2011. Mr. Pagenhardt also noted several matters to be discussed during the administrative session on this date.
2. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Raley, which was seconded by Commissioner Gatto, and made unanimous by Chairman Crawford, approved the Public Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Minutes for June 21, 2011, and Administrative Session Minutes for June 28, 2011.
3. The Board of County Commissioners discussed County road traffic safety issues pertaining to speed limit setting procedure. Jay Moyer, General Superintendent, County Roads Department; Paul Harvey, General Roads Foremen, County Roads Department – Oakland Area; Dwight Emory, County Engineer, Engineering Department; and Sheriff Robert Corley were in attendance for this session. Bill and Vickie Taylor were in attendance for this session due to their request for a reduction of the approved speed limit on Boy Scout Road. Mr. Moyer and Mr. Emory explained the official process of using a professional traffic engineering study for establishing speed limits and there was discussion on this particular option. This matter will be referred to the county attorney for a review and advisement.
4. The Department of Planning and Land Development briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the following issues:
 - a) Discussion/update on Program Open Space for Fiscal Year 2012. It was noted that there are no new funds available for this funding cycle/period.
 - b) Bear Creek Watershed Rural Legacy Program update. 3 projects (Klotz, Beitzel, and Smuck) that were previously approved for funding will be moved forward to final approval by the Board of Public Works at this time.
 - c) Status Report/update on GIS projects to include deed reference to tax maps.
 - d) Review of County building permit approvals for calendar 2011 year-to-date. It was also noted the Maryland General Assembly will be reviewing and adopting statewide building code legislation in 2012. After that process, the County will be

required to review, amend, and adopt certain provisions of the Garrett County Building Code Ordinance.

- e) Update on Plan Maryland to include submittal report for consideration of Garrett County and Western Maryland.
 - f) Other departmental matters.
6. The Purchasing Department presented a recommendation of bid award to the Board of County Commissioners for Stormwater Chamber System (bid #10-0623). The Board, on a motion by Commissioner Raley, which was seconded by Chairman Crawford, and made unanimous by Commissioner Gatto, approved an award to Chemung Supply Corporation for \$29,990.00. Fiscal Year 2011 Budget includes an appropriation for the Trade/Exhibit Center Project of \$1.2 million (\$900,000 in County funds and \$300,000 in ARC funds).
7. Carol Riley-Alexander, Executive Assistant to the Board of County Commissioners and County Administrator, reviewed the meeting and committee schedule for the forthcoming week
8. Public Commentary.
- a) Lawrence Dawson voiced his opinion on the reorganization of the Department of General Services primarily the office relocation. Mr. Pagenhardt informed Mr. Dawson, who is a County employee, that the public meeting was not a forum for this discussion and his opinion should have been addressed through the administrative process.
 - b) Dick Bolt requested clarification on an open house for the new 911 Dispatch Center. The official date has not been scheduled.
9. Friends of Deep Creek Lake briefed the Board of County Commissioners on environmental issues related to the Lake. Prior to this public meeting, the Board had been provided with a power point presentation, which was subsequently presented on this date. Points of recommended discussion presented on this date were the devaluation on property assessment, threat to tourism and associated tax revenues, and greater costs for restoration. The Friends requested that the Board advocate for watershed implementation programs to address Lake aging issues pointed out on this date. The Board will take these matters under advisement and communicate with the State Department of Natural Resources, the Deep Creek Policy and Review Board, the Deep Creek Lake Property Owners Association, and the Friends of Deep Creek Lake.

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

1. The Board of County Commissioners met with a number of County Government employees who were part of the restructure/reorganization plan with the Department of General Services. The Board reinforced their appreciation for job these employees do for the County and the importance of moving forward with the restructure/reorganization plan that was explained in detail by Mr. Pagenhardt on July 28, 2011.
2. The Board of County Commissioners met with Wendy Yoder, Director, Department of Financial Services and Scott Weeks, Assistant Director, Department of Financial Services to discuss budgetary matters related to the Garrett County Board of Education. The undesignated/unreserved fund balance and carryover fund balance were the major points of

dialog on this date. The Board directed Mr. Pagenhardt, Ms. Yoder, and Mr. Weeks to meet with Board of Education administrative staff and if appropriate the Board and these County staff will meet with the Board of Education on July 12, 2011.

3. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Chairman Crawford, which was seconded by Commissioner Gatto, and made unanimous by Commissioner Raley, re-appointed Wayne Harman and Charles McCrobie to the Deep Creek Lake Watershed Board of Zoning Appeals. Official letters of appointment will be sent to each appointee under the signature of Chairman Crawford.
4. Mr. Pagenhardt reviewed a number of administrative issues with the Board of County Commissioners.

Attest:

By Order of the Board,

R. Lamont Pagenhardt,
County Administrator

Gregan T. Crawford, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

Date