BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION January 2, 2015

IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Paul C. Edwards Commissioner James C. Hinebaugh, Jr. Commissioner S. Larry Tichnell

County Administrator R. Lamont Pagenhardt

- 1. The Board of County Commissioners reviewed a number of board and commissions that they serve on or have appointed representation. Official announcement of appointments will be approved as part of the January 5, 2015 Public Meeting.
- 2. The Board of County Commissioners discussed a continuation of the appointment of members on the Garrett County Marcellus Shale Natural Gas Advisory Committee. The Board will continue to take this matter under advisement.
- 3. The Board of County Commissioners agreed to proceed with a request for State of Maryland Bond funds for the construction of an Emergency Operations Center. Mr. Pagenhardt will forward this request to Senator George Edwards and ask for \$300,000 to be included to in the statewide project list.
- 4. The Board of County Commissioners discussed possible membership in the Maryland Rural Counties Coalition. The Board will attend a session of the Coalition to be conducted at the Maryland Association of Counties Winter Conference the week of January 5 to become more informed with the Coalition.
- 5. The Board of County Commissioners agreed to increase the fiscal year tax differential settlement to the 6 municipalities that do not have a long-term agreement. (The Mayor and Town Council of Oakland and the Mayor and Town Council of Mountain Lake Park currently have agreements in place with the Board of County Commissioners). As part of the January 5, 2015 Public Meeting that Board will announce the following:
 - On this date the Board of County Commissioners approved the following appropriation for all County Municipal Governments that receive the \$15,000 fiscal year payment in lieu of a tax differential agreement settlement. This would be all municipalities except Oakland and Mountain Lake Park.
 - Fiscal Year 2016 funding for these 6 municipalities will be increased to \$25,000. Current appropriation is \$15,000.
 - These 6 municipalities will receive 50% of the increase of \$10,000 per fiscal year to be paid in Fiscal Year 2015.
- 6. The Board of County Commissioners discussed a request for enabling legislation for the authority to bond County roadways. Mr. Pagenhardt will communicate this matter to the County Attorney and schedule time with the Board to finalize language to be drafted.

7. Mr. Pagenhardt reviewed a number of administrative and personnel matters under his level of authority.

Attest:

By Order of the Board,

R. Lamont Pagenhardt, County Administrator Paul C. Edwards, Chairman Board of County Commissioners

Date