

**BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
APRIL 16, 2002**

IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Ernest J. Gregg, Jr.
Commissioner Wendell R. Beitzel
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 was one (1) addition and no deletions to the agenda for April 16, 2002. The bid award to be recommended by the Procurement Office for landscaping services will not be conducted on this date. A time to present this agenda requirement will be rescheduled.
2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of April 9, 2002, were read, amended, and approved on a motion by Commissioner Beitzel, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
3. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, proclaimed April 20, 2002 as "National Auctioneers Day". A proclamation was read and executed by the Board.
4. Jim Hinebaugh, Director of the Department of Economic Development, briefed the Board of County Commissioners on a number of issues, which are included in a memorandum dated April 16, 2002. Certain issues were determined to be confidential and therefore the Board, on a motion by Commissioner Beitzel, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, moved into Executive Session under section 10-508 of the Maryland Open Meetings Act.
5. Members of the ReNew Grantsville Library Committee and members of the Board of Trustees of the Ruth Enlow Library of Garrett County were in attendance to inform the Board of County Commissioners of the total amount of funds to be dedicated for the new Grantsville Library Branch. The Board of County Commissioners had previously committed to match the total amount of funds the Committee could raise. This total was \$340,506. \$15,000 of this total was included in Fiscal Year 2002 Budget and the remainder (\$325,506) will be levied in Fiscal Year 2003. Each commissioner commended the Committee for their efforts and community support of the project.
6. The Board of County Commissioners conducted the required public hearing on the Constant Yield for Fiscal Year 2003. Wendy Yoder, Director of the Department of Financial Services presented a report showing the actual tax rate of \$1.036 versus

the constant yield rate of \$0.983. Ms. Yoder explained the assessable base calculation and the tax differential determination for the municipalities of Oakland and Mountain Lake Park. Public comment was received and Chairman Gregg formally announced that actual tax rate and Fiscal Year 2003 Operating and Capital Budget would be set on May 7, 2002 at 10:00 AM.

7. Brad Frantz, Director of the Department of Emergency Management briefed the Board of County Commissioners on a number of issues to include:

- ∇ Status of dismantling the communication tower located on the Court House
- ∇ Acknowledgement of receipt of grant funds from the Maryland Department of Emergency Management directed for weather alert monitors to be placed in all Garrett County public and private schools
- ∇ The Department had been recognized for appreciation for assistance to the Department of Social Services for response time for a number of domestic violence calls
- ∇ The State of Maryland Department of Natural Resources had also expressed appreciation to the Department for efforts on search and rescue calls
- ∇ "Code Red" system
- ∇ State of Maryland Department of Transportation grant submittals
- ∇ The completion of CPR classes by staff personnel

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

1. The remainder of the day was spent in administrative session.

ADJOURNMENT

Attest:

By Order of the Board,

R. Lamont Pagenhardt,
County Administrator

Ernest J. Gregg, Jr., Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

Date