

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
JANUARY 27, 2004

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 was one (1) deletion to the agenda for January 27, 2004. The session scheduled with the Department of Planning and Zoning and ERM, consultant for the Deep Creek Lake Development Analysis Study was postponed and will be rescheduled.
2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of January 207, 2004 were read and approved on a motion by Commissioner Beard, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
3. The Board of County Commissioners conducted the Staff meeting for January. The following agencies and departments were in attendance:

Department of Social Services
Garrett County Chamber of Commerce
Mountain Top Mental Health Associates
Garrett County Health Department
Department of General Services
Tri-County Council
Ruth Enlow Library
Department of Emergency Management
Department of Public Utilities
Garrett County Board of Education
Western Maryland Consortium
Department of Planning and Zoning
Department of Economic Development
Extension Service

4. The Board of County Commissioners conducted a Public Hearing on proposed amendments to the Garrett County Animal Control Ordinance. Brad Frantz, Director, Department of Emergency Management presented an overview of the Amended Ordinance. A number of Animal Advisory Committee members, residents and constituents were in attendance who provided commentary and asked questions. The Board, on a motion by Commissioner Beard, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, agreed to keep the public comment record open for an additional one (1) week period. A final review, determination, and adoption of the Ordinance will be scheduled for the February 3, 2004 Public Meeting.

5. The Board of County Commissioners reviewed a request by the Mayor and Town Council of Oakland for a land classification (residential, institutional, and professional) waiver to the Garrett County Comprehensive Plan. It is the intent of the Town to annex Southern Garrett High School and Dennett Road Elementary School. The Town had submitted to the Department of Planning and Zoning an Outline for Extension of Services, which defines public services to be provided in the planned annexation area located between Dennett Road, Eleventh Street, and Oakland Avenue. Town of Mountain Lake Park Mayor Leo Martin stated that the position of the Town of Mountain Lake Park was to oppose the approval of the waiver by the Board. The Town of Mountain Lake Park had previously petitioned the Board of County Commissioners for a waiver of land classification for the parcels planned for annexation by the Town of Mountain Lake Park. Mayor Martin stated that this plan for annexation had not changed. Wendell Teets, Superintendent of Schools was in attendance and stated that the Board of Education supports the annexation and request for waiver by the Town of Oakland that would allow this land reclassification. The Board agreed to hold the public record open for one (1) week to allow for additional review to include the exact parcels to be annexed with a decision to be made during the Public Meeting on February 3, 2004.

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

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

2. Chairman Gregg, on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, executed the Final Report for Emergency Food and Shelter Program for Garrett County Community Action Committee, Inc.

3. Chairman Gregg, on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, executed the Community Development Block Grant Progress Report for the Jennings Community Center for Garrett County Community Action Committee, Inc.

4. Mark Tonkovich, Director, and Barry Sweitzer, Project Engineer, Department of Public Utilities briefed the Board of County Commissioners on a number of issues including

water and sewer cost of service and rate study and the potential sale of Sanitary District properties.

5. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Beard, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, reappointed George Brady to the Garrett County Planning Council. An official letter of appointment will be sent to Mr. Brady under the signature of Chairman Gregg.
6. Mr. Pagenhardt presented the Board of County Commissioners with a proposed Three-Year Road Improvement Budget. The Board and senior staff from the Garrett County Roads Department will schedule a time to meet to discuss the approval of this proposal.
7. 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, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

Date

