

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
MARCH 21, 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 was one addition and one deletion to the Public Agenda for March 21, 2006. "Population Growth Reality Check" representatives requested time to brief the Board of County Commissioners on this program. The departmental update for the Department of Emergency Management was cancelled.
2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of March 14, 2006 were read and approved on a motion by Commissioner Beard, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
3. The Garrett County Board of Education presented their Fiscal Year 2007 Budget to the Board of County Commissioners. A number of Board of Education Members, Board of Education staff, and other persons were in attendance. The Board will take this request under advisement as part of the comprehensive budget review process.
4. Representatives of the State of Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Program briefed the Board of County Commissioners on objectives, current status, operations, participation/eligibility, recent developments, sources of funding, and other conditions. Also in attendance were a number of Garrett County agricultural agency officials.
5. John Bambacus and Karen Recker representing "Population Growth Reality Check" met with the Board of County Commissioners to discuss this program. The major point of this discussion was demographic changes and managed growth expected

for Western Maryland. Plans are to incorporate stakeholders in discussion on the issue of comprehensive land use planning for Western Maryland.

6. Carol Riley, Executive Assistant to the Board of County Commissioners and County Administrator, reviewed the meeting and committee schedule for the forthcoming week.

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

1. Mr. Pagenhardt reviewed a number of correspondences and communications with the Board of County Commissioners.
2. Departments of Planning and Land Development and Financial Service staff reviewed a draft Mobile Home Park Campground Tax Ordinance with the Board of County Commissioners. The Board agreed to amendments to the existing policy and directed Department staff to schedule the required public hearing for official adoption of the Ordinance.
3. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Beard, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, reappointed Edgar Harman and Susan Athey-Oxford to the Garrett County Health Planning Council. Official letters of appointment outlining the terms of appointment will be sent to both members under the signature of Chairman Gregg.
4. The Board of County Commissioners reviewed a recommendation for policy amendment to Department of Public Utilities Policy 2005-6 and 2005-7. Wendy Yoder, Director, Department of Financial Services and John Nelson, Director, Department of Planning and Land Development presented these policy changes that had been reviewed and prepared by the County Attorney. Mr. Nelson also reviewed other clarification amendments to Department of Public Utilities Policies. The Board will take these matters under advisement.
5. The Board of County Commissioners reviewed other administrative issues pertaining to the naming of a classroom at Salem School, Department of Public Utilities connection/capacity amortization application, and a number of personnel matters.

ADJOURNMENT

Attest:

R. Lamont Pagenhardt,
County Administrator

Date

By Order of the Board,

Ernest J. Gregg, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners