

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

PUBLIC MEETING

Monday, October 5, 2026

Meeting was also Live Streamed at <http://www.garrettcountymd.gov/live>

IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Paul C. Edwards
Commissioner Ryan S. Savage
Commissioner S. Larry Tichnell

County Administrator Kevin G. Null

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

- ❖ Mr. Null reviewed a number of administrative and managerial matters under his authority and jurisdiction with the Board of County Commissioners.

CALL TO ORDER PUBLIC SESSION at 4:03 PM

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Invocation by Commissioner Tichnell

PUBLIC SESSION

1. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Savage, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the Public Meeting Agenda for October 5, 2026.
2. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Savage, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the Public Meeting Minutes of September 15, 2026 and Executive Meeting Minutes of September 23, 2026.
3. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** On September 23, 2026, the Board of County Commissioners met in Executive Session under General Provisions Article 3-305(b) of the Maryland Open Meetings Law at 2:00 PM to consider the acquisition of real property for a public purpose and matters directly related thereto. The meeting ended at 2:20 PM.
4. **PROCLAMATIONS:**
 - Garrett County 4-H Week – October 4-10, 2026
 - I Can Swim Month – October 2026
 - Garrett County Arts & Humanities Month – October 2026
5. **RECOGNITION** – Brenda's Body Shop – 45th Anniversary
6. The Garrett County Department of Financial Services - Purchasing Division presented the following three (3) Bids and one (1) Bid Rejection recommendations:

BID AWARD RECOMMENDATIONS:

Bid #26-0929W – Winter Abrasives & Road Salt

Nine (9) Bids were received:

George's Creek Stone & Gravel, Inc.
Keystone Lime Company, Inc. - Eichorn
Keystone Lime Company, Inc. – Cranesville
Allegany Aggregates, Inc.
Government MLO Supplies USA

Maryland Minerals, Inc.
Cargill, Inc.
Morton Salt, Inc.
Fairfax Concrete Products
Eastern Salt Company, Inc.

After reviewing the Bids for compliance with administrative requirements and based on feedback received from the Garrett County Department of Public Works – Roads Division, the Purchasing Division recommended accepting the bids from the following vendors:

George's Creek Stone & Gravel, Inc.
Keystone Lime Company, Inc. - Eichorn
Keystone Lime Company, Inc. – Cranesville
Fairfax Concrete Products

Maryland Minerals, Inc.
Morton Salt, Inc.
Allegany Aggregates, Inc.

The Purchasing Division recommended awarding the bid(s) as submitted. As part of this recommendation, the Board of County Commissioners shall reject the bid price from Cargill Inc. and Eastern Salt for No Bid.

The Roads Division will determine the quarry to purchase winter abrasives and road salt based on garage location, hauling cost, and availability. Specifics of the award for type of product and vendor are on file with the Purchasing Division.

Bid #26-0917 – Fire Apparatus Inspection & Testing

Two (2) Bids were received: Waterway Twin Tier, LLC (\$39,954.60) and F.A.S.T. of the Allegheny Mountains, LLC (\$41,731.60).

After reviewing the Bids for compliance with administrative requirements and based on feedback received from the Garrett County Department of Emergency Management, the Purchasing Division recommended awarding the bid to Waterway Twin Tier, LLC for the Bid price of \$39,954.60.

Bid #26-0616 – 2G4 2026-01 Garrett County Airport Rehabilitate Taxiway Lighting

Three (3) Bids were received: BYCO Enterprise (\$255,055.52), Carl Belt, Inc. (\$476,787.50), and Bronder Technical Services, Inc. (\$224,634.00).

After reviewing the Bids for compliance with administrative requirements and based on the feedback from the Department of Public Works – Airport Division, and funding approval from the Federal and Maryland Aviation Administration, the Purchasing Division recommended awarding the Bid to Bronder Technical Services, Inc. for \$224,634.00.

This project is funded by the Federal/Maryland Aviation Administration Eligible Federal Share of 95% and an Eligible State Share of 2.5% and Local Share of 2.5%.

BID REJECTION RECOMMENDATION:

Bid #26-0827 – Finzel Park Improvement Project

The Purchasing Division recommended rejecting all bids received for the Finzel Park Improvement Project, as each bid exceeded the available Grant Funds for this project.

The project scope will be reevaluated to identify potential cost-saving opportunities, and the project will be re-bid at a future date.

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Savage, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the three (3) Bids and one (1) Bid Rejection as recommended.

7. **PUBLIC COMMENTARY:** None

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- The Friendsville Library Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will be held on Friday, October 9, 2026 at 2:00 PM.
- The Board of Garrett County Commissioners announced that the next Public Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 20, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. at the Garrett County Courthouse.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Savage, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, adjourned the Public Meeting at 4:26 P.M.

Attest:

KEVIN G. NULL
County Administrator

By Order of the Board,

PAUL C. EDWARDS, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners