

**BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
PUBLIC MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2002**

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Chairman Ernest J. Gregg  
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 were two (2) additions and one deletion to the agenda for September 24, 2002. Tim Edmonds, a resident of Lake Shore Drive requested to meet with the Board of County Commissioners to speak about speed and other safety issues. Gorman Getty, County Attorney will be meeting with the Board to discuss a number of legal matters. The bid opening for an air conditioning and fire suppression system for the Court House will be rescheduled for October 1, 2002.
2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of September 17, 2002 were read and approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
3. The Board of County Commissioners issued the following proclamations:
  - ∇ "Lawsuit Abuse Awareness Week" to be proclaimed the week of September 30 through October 4, 2002.
  - ∇ "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" to be proclaimed the month of October, 2002
4. The Board of County Commissioners conducted the Monthly Staff Meeting for July. The following agencies and departments were in attendance:

Garrett County Health Department  
Ruth Enlow Library of Garrett County  
Department of Solid Waste and Recycling  
Department of Social Services  
Garrett County Roads Department  
Department of Financial Services  
Garrett County Extension Service  
Western Maryland Consortium  
Garrett County Chamber of Commerce  
The Dove Center  
The Office of the State's Attorney  
Garrett County Board of Education

Tri-County Council for Western Maryland  
Garrett County Sanitary District, Inc.  
Garrett College

4. Charles Ross, President of the Garrett County Chamber of Commerce met with the Board of County Commissioners to request an supplemental appropriation of funds to be designated for the purchase of 2002 vacation guides. The Board, Mr. Pagenhardt, and Department of Financial Services will review this issue during the Administrative Session on September 26, 2002.
5. Mr. Edmonds met with the Board to review issues of traffic safety on Lake Shore Drive. A petition from residents who reside along this road was reviewed by the Board and the Garrett County Roads Department on August 27, 2002 and a determination was made at that time to refer the request outlined in the petition to the Garrett County Traffic Advisory Committee. The Committee met on September 18, 2002 at which time Mr. Edmonds made a presentation on speed and signage concerns. The Committee made a recommendation to implement the following:
  - ∇ There will be no change to the thirty-mile per hour speed limit on Lake Shore Drive.
  - ∇ The Garrett County Roads Department will place a total of eight signs (four in each direction) on Lake Shore Drive and will also review the location and condition of all signage on this road.
  - ∇ The county does not have right-of-way to expand the shoulder width of the road.The Board of County Commissioners accepted the recommendation of the Committee with one exception and that was to place a total of twelve signs (six in each direction) on Lake Shore drive. The Board will also request that the Roads Department communicate with the Board of Education on the feasibility of placing "bus stop ahead" signs at appropriate locations on the road. Mr. Pagenhardt will send a letter to Mr. Edmonds indicating the official action taken by the Board.
6. The Procurement Office presented bid recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners for the following:
  - ∇ Winter Abrasives (bid # 02-0917). This bid was awarded as recommended on a motion by Commissioner Beitzel, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
  - ∇ Contractual Snow Removal Services (bid #02-0917SR). This bid was awarded as recommended on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
7. The Board of County Commissioners, 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 Law on this date to address legal issues with Gorman Getty, County Attorney. The same motion moved back to public session.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION**

1. The Board of County Commissioners executed a resolution acknowledging that the submittal of, and approval of, an application to the Maryland Department of Economic Development for Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of

\$1,750,000. These funds will be used for site development expenses at the Northern Garrett Industrial Park ClosetMaid facility site.

2. Chairman Gregg, on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, executed a Statement of Assurances and Certifications for the Resolution indicated in #1 of these Administrative Session minutes of September 24, 2002.
3. The remainder of the day was spent in administrative session.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Attest:**

**By Order of the Board,**

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R. Lamont Pagenhardt,  
County Administrator

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Ernest J. Gregg, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners

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