

**BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**PUBLIC MEETING**  
**OCTOBER 29, 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 was one (1) addition to the agenda for October 29, 2002. James Waters, Rural Development Administration had requested a session with the Board to briefly review a number of pending and ongoing projects with the County that his agency is either a partner with the financing or administering of grant funding.
2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of October 22, 2002 and Administrative Meeting of October 24, 2002 were read and approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Chairman Gregg, and made unanimous by Commissioner Beitzel.
3. The Board of County Commissioners conducted the 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  
Department of Economic Development  
Department of Emergency Management  
Garrett County Roads Department  
Department of Financial Services  
Mountain Top Mental Health Associates  
Department of Planning and Zoning  
Garrett County Extension Service  
Western Maryland Consortium  
Garrett County Chamber of Commerce  
Garrett County Board of Education

Garrett County Sanitary District, Inc.  
Department of General Services

4. In furtherance of a review of the speed limit study completed by the engineering firm of Witney, Baily, Cox and Magnani for New Germany and Chestnut Ridge Roads during the Board of County Commissioners Administrative Session on October 24, 2002, the Board took the following action. Fred Polce, General Superintendent of the Garrett County Roads Department discussed the findings of the study and presented a recommendation that the posted speed limit be increased to fifty miles per hour (50 mph) for the entire length of both roads. This recommendation was based on:

- ∇ Results of the eighty-fifth (85<sup>th</sup>) percentile speeds determined in the study
- ∇ Accident records to not indicate speed or road defects a contributing cause
- ∇ Both roads are paved twenty (20) feet plus in width
- ∇ There are adequate shoulders on both roads
- ∇ Both roads are line striped
- ∇ Curves are clearly identified

The Board of County Commissioners approved the recommendation by Mr. Polce for each road by the following action:

- ∇ New Germany Road Recommendation accepted/approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
  - ∇ Chestnut Ridge Road Recommendation accepted/approved on a motion by Commissioner Beitzel, which was seconded and carried by Chairman Gregg. Commissioner Holliday voted in opposition to this recommendation.
5. The Board of County Commissioners conducted a bid opening for the Sale of Surplus County Property – shotguns (bid #02-1021). All bids received were referred to the Procurement Office for a review and recommendation of award.
  6. Mr. Waters met with the Board of County Commissioners, with the main topic of discussion directed at a number of water and sewer projects under the jurisdiction of the Garrett County Sanitary Commission. The planning, design, and funding of each project were reviewed. Jim Hinebaugh, Director of the Department of Economic Development and Meg Ellis, Department of Economic Development Project Manger were also in attendance and participated in the discussion.
  7. The session scheduled with the Board of County Commissioners and the Garrett County Fair Board on the proposed exhibit hall was postponed due to inclement weather. This session is be tentatively rescheduled for November 12, 2002 at 6:30 PM. In lieu of this session, the Board of County Commissioners and Mr. Hinebaugh reviewed a

suggested/draft memorandum of understanding to be developed and executed between the Board of County Commissioners and the Fair Board.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION**

1. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Beitzel, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, reappointed Dennis Margroff to the Garrett County Planning Commission. An official letter of appointment will be sent under the signature of Chairman Gregg.
2. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Beitzel, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, reappointed Thomas Kierstead to the Deep Creek Zoning Appeals Board. An official letter of appointment will be sent under the signature of Chairman Gregg.
3. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Beitzel, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, appointed Cheryl Rexrode and Wayne Tiemersma to the Region I Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council. This same action by the Board also reappointed Jean Tressler, Richard Perry, and Terry King to this Council.
4. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, declared items listed in a memorandum of request from the Department of General Services as surplus. This process of review and declaration as surplus by the Board is in accordance with the Garrett County Government Procurement Policy, Section 8-104. All property will be disposed of at the Garrett County Landfill.
5. The Board of County Commissioners and Mr. Pagenhardt reviewed a number of office correspondences.
6. 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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Date