

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
Tuesday, September 20, 2022

IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Paul C. Edwards
Commissioner James C. Hinebaugh
Commissioner S. Larry Tichnell

County Administrator Kevin G. Null

CALL TO ORDER OF PUBLIC SESSION at 5:00 PM – Held at the Kitzmiller Elementary School

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Invocation by Commissioner Tichnell

Chairman Edwards thanked the Town of Kitzmiller for hosting the meeting.

PUBLIC SESSION

1. Mr. Null indicated there was no addition or deletion to the Public Meeting Agenda. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the Public Meeting Agenda for September 20, 2022.
2. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Hinebaugh, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the Public Meeting Minutes of September 6, 2022.
3. **BOARD APPOINTMENTS:** Deep Creek Watershed Zoning Appeals Board – Three Year Terms

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Hinebaugh, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, reappointed Stephen Gnegy and Michael Beard to the Deep Creek Watershed Zoning Appeals Board on a recommendation of the said Board for three-year terms.

An official letter of appointment will be sent to each appointee under the signature of Chairman Edwards.

4. **AMENDMENT/RESTATEMENT:** Garrett County Law Enforcement Personnel Pension Plan
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The Garrett County Law Enforcement Personnel Pension Plan and Garrett County Personnel Pension Plan amendments primarily deal with administrative issues - addressing the treatment of covered employee transfers, benefit payments, and updating the Board of Trustees of each plan.

The transferring of employees from one plan to the other gives covered employees' different options to actuarially bring the relative values of the different plans (term and contribution rates) in line.

The plan was last updated in July 2015.

Commissioner Hinebaugh recused himself from the vote since he currently participates in the Garrett County Personnel Retirement Plan.

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded and carried by Chairman Edwards, approved, and adopted the amendments to the Garrett County Personnel Retirement Plan and the Garrett County Law Enforcement Retirement Plan.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTARY:

- Rebecca Glotfelty, Town Clerk/Treasurer welcomed the Board of Commissioners on behalf of the Mayor and Town Council. Mayor Reckart was out of town and unable to attend. She thanked the Board for its help and support on town projects.
- Question of Market Modification - What needs to be done to have Maryland television stations? Chairman Edwards stated that the County has authorized the County Attorney to file a petition with the FCC for a market modification. However, if a change in TV markets would mean the County would lose Pittsburg television stations, the Board would not approve a change.

Commissioner Edwards stated that the majority of comments received on the subject were overwhelming in favor of keeping Pittsburg television stations.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ❖ The Board of Garrett County Commissioners announced that the next Public Meeting will be held on Monday, October 3, 2022, at 4:00 p.m. at the Garrett County Courthouse.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, adjourned the Public Meeting at 5:25 P.M.

Attest:

By Order of the Board,

KEVIN G. NULL
County Administrator

PAUL C. EDWARDS, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners