

**BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**PUBLIC MEETING**  
**NOVEMBER 26, 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 November 26, 2002. The session with Harvey House was canceled.
2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of November 19, 2002 and Administrative Meeting of November 21, 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 issued a proclamation in honor of Judge of the Orphan's Court Joseph Peck who retired after twenty (20) years of public service. This declaration was approved on a motion by Commissioner Beitzel, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
4. The Board of County Commissioners issued a proclamation declaring December 1, 2002 as "World Aids Day" in Garrett County. Pandora's Box presented a skit on the awareness of this disease. This declaration was approved on a motion by Commissioner Beitzel, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
5. The Board of County Commissioners conducted the Staff meeting for November. 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 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  
Partnership for Children and Families  
Garrett County Community Action Committee  
Tri-County Council for Western Maryland  
Garrett College  
The Dove Center  
The Office of the State's Attorney

6. The Board of County Commissioners conducted a public hearing on a number of Agricultural Land Preservation District applications. John Nelson, Director of the Department of Planning and Zoning presented each application for review. The following action was taken by the Board:

▶ Steve and Ann Sherrard.

Application recommended for approval by the AgLand Advisory Commission, the Garrett County Planning Commission, and Department of Planning and Zoning staff. The Application was approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.

▶ Harman Farms, LLC.

Application recommended for approval by the AgLand Advisory Commission, the Garrett County Planning Commission, and Department of Planning and Zoning staff. The Application was approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.

▶ Floyd and Constance Georg.

Application recommended for approval by the AgLand Advisory Commission, the Garrett County Planning Commission, and Department of Planning and Zoning staff. The Application was approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.

▶ Jack Hebb, Sr.

Application recommended for approval by the AgLand Advisory Commission, the Garrett County Planning Commission, and Department of Planning and Zoning staff. The Application was approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.

▶ Jeffrey Kepple.

Application recommended for approval by the AgLand Advisory Commission, the Garrett County Planning Commission, and Department of Planning and Zoning staff. The Application was approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.

▶ Terri Rodeheaver and Ronald Georg.

Application recommended for approval by the AgLand Advisory Commission, the Garrett County Planning Commission, and Department of Planning and Zoning staff. The Application was approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.

▶ Courtney Englar.

Application denied and was not recommended for approval by the AgLand Advisory Commission due to the fact that it was not an active farm and the acreage was less than fifty (50) acres. The Garrett County Planning Commission approved the application as did the Department of Planning and Zoning staff. The application was approved on a motion by Commissioner Beitzel, which was seconded by Chairman Gregg, and made unanimous by Commissioner Holliday with the condition that the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation take into consideration the acreage and status issues.

7. Mr. Nelson requested that the Board review development and density rights as it pertains to the Rural Legacy Program. Several options were discussed with a recommendation by the Board required to be presented to the State of Maryland Department Natural Resources Rural Legacy Review 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, appointed Tim Schwinabart as an alternate to the Garrett County Planning Commission to replace Phillip Frantz who was appointed as a member on November 19, 2002. 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, appointed Rodney Frazee to employment with the Garrett County Roads Department. An official letter of appointment will be sent to Mr. Frazee by Mr. Pagenhardt outlining all terms and conditions of employment.
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 Theresa Miller to serve as the Board of County Commissioners' representative on Mountain Top Mental Health Associates. Ms. Miller will replace Mr. Pagenhardt in this capacity.
4. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Beitzel, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, approved a request by Fred Polce, General Superintendent of the Garrett County Roads Department to purchase a new paving machine. The purchase will require an amendment to Fiscal Year 2003 capital budget. An explanation and justification for this purchase is outlined in a memorandum from Mr. Polce to Mr. Pagenhardt.
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