

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
DECEMBER 11, 2007

IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Ernest J. Gregg
Commissioner Dennis G. Glotfelty
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 no additions or deletions to the Public Meeting Agenda for December 11, 2007.
2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of November 20, 2007, Administrative Meeting of December 4, 2007, and Executive Minutes of December 4., 2007 were read and approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Glotfelty, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg.
3. Fred Polce, General Superintendent, County Roads Department briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the following matters:
 - a) Nine (9) days of snow removal year to date to include two (2) weekends with fourteen (14) inches of snow.
 - b) Crews are assigned this week to drainage and ditch cleaning work due to heavy rains and snow melting.
 - c) Update on Glendale Road Realignment Project.
 - d) Brief discussion on Fiscal Year 2009 Budget.
4. In furtherance of the Public Hearing conducted on November 20, 2007 and receipt of one (1) letter of commentary, the Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded and carried by Commissioner Glotfelty, approved and executed an Unsafe Structures Ordinance as drafted and amended. Chairman Gregg voted in opposition to the Motion to Approve the Ordinance stating his opinion that agricultural structures should not be an exception to the Ordinance. (The County Attorney shared this opinion.)

5. The Purchasing Department presented a recommendation of request for proposal award for Design/Build Construction – Garrett County Department of Public Utilities Maintenance/Warehouse Facility (RFP #07-1010). The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Glotfelty, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, approved an award to TEDCO Construction Corporation for \$1,930,200. It was noted that the project would include additional construction/equipment items (\$245,00) plus contingency (\$217,000) for a total project cost of \$2,392,200.
6. The Board of County Commissioners conducted a Public Hearing to review and take public comment on the re-adoption of the Garrett County Building Code Ordinance. Pursuant to the Maryland Building Performance Standards as set forth in the Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR 05.02.07) this public hearing action is to update the County's current Building Code to reflect the adoption of the International Building Code (2006 Edition) and International Residential Code (2006 Edition) with local amendments as required by COMAR 05.02.07. An agenda outlining local amendments (carbon monoxide alarms and indoor swimming pools) was presented to the Board and public and reviewed by James Torrington, Chief, Department of Planning and Land Development Division of Permits and Inspections.

Public commentary was presented by Jerry Plauger who voiced his opinion on the minimal square footage (0 square feet in Garrett County) before a permit is mandated. The Board, on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Glotfelty, and made unanimous by Chairman Gregg, closed the Public Hearing and determined to hold the record open for a period of one (1) week and will make a final decision on December 18, 2007.

7. Public Commentary. None on this date.
8. In compliance with the Maryland Open Meetings Act under section 10-509, a record of the Executive Session for December 5, 2007 is hereby documented on this date, the next open/public meeting of the Board of County Commissioners. The Board of County Commissioners conducted the annual performance and compensation review for Rodney Glotfelty, Health Officer.
9. Carol Riley, Executive Assistant to the Board of County Commissioners and County Administrator, reviewed the meeting and committee schedule for the forthcoming week.

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

1. Mr. Pagenhardt reviewed a number of correspondences and communications with the Board of County Commissioners.

2. John Nelson, Director, Department of Planning and Land Development met with the Board of County Commissioners to discuss a proposal to the Deep Creek Watershed Zoning Ordinance to amend the definition of hotels and motels. This matter was discussed at the December 5, 2007 Planning Commission meeting. Commissioner Glotfelty entered a motion to approve the alternative definition for hotel and motel facilities for the Planning Commission's consideration outlined in a memorandum from Mr. Nelson with an amendment to delete a three (3) burner cook-top under #9 of the memorandum, which was seconded by Chairman Gregg, and made unanimous by Commissioner Holliday.
3. The Board of County Commissioners met with Bradley Frantz, Director, Department of Emergency Management; Terry Spear, Emergency Services Coordinator; and Wendy Yoder, Director, Department of Financial Services to discuss the proposed memorandum of understanding between the County and Northern Garrett and Southern Garrett Rescue Associations. Mr. Frantz and Mr. Spear presented a Memorandum for the Record and other documentation that details the history of agreement and retraction of that agreement by both Associations.

The Board agreed to notify both Associations that the Memorandum of Understanding as drafted and previously agreed to must be executed by Friday December 21, 2007. If this is not executed by both or either Association the Board will advertise a request for proposal for paid emergency medical services. A letter outlining this action will be sent to both Associations.

ADJOURNMENT

Attest:

By Order of the Board,

R. Lamont Pagenhardt,
County Administrator

Dennis G. Glotfelty, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

Date