

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
February 1, 2016

IN ATTENDANCE

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

County Administrator Kevin G. Null

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

The Administrative Session was open at 3:00 p.m.

1. Lisa Baker, President, Garrett County Humane Society and Debbie Clatterbuck, Animal Abuse Investigator, Garrett County Humane Society discussed how the Garrett County Humane Society operates and provides services in Garrett County. The potential idea of contracting out the Garrett County Animal Shelter operations was discussed. Should the shelter services be contracted out, the County's annual support, and the services provided by the Garrett County Humane Society would continue.
2. Joint Training Facility (JTF) –Michael McCloskey and Ronda Johnson, owners of JFT provided an update on the progress on their planed 142,000 sq. ft. facility in Grantsville. Groundbreaking for this facility is tentatively scheduled for later this year.
3. Mr. Null reviewed a number of administrative, non-privileged, personnel, and managerial matters under his authority and jurisdiction with the Board of County Commissioners.

The Administrative Session was closed at 4:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER OF PUBLIC SESSION at 4:05 PM

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC SESSION

1. Additions/deletions to Public Meeting Agenda. Mr. Null indicated there is one addition, a request to move into Executive Session at the end of the meeting to discuss Economic Development matters. The Board of County Commissioners, by mutual consent, approved the Public Meeting Agenda for January 19, 2016.
2. The Board of County Commissioners, by consensus, approved the Public Meeting Minutes for January 19, 2016.
3. Garrett County Purchasing Department - Bid Awards:
Bid # 15-1001 Standing Timber of Sale – land adjacent to the Grantsville Refuse Collection Site in preparation for the installation of solar array' by SolarCity. Two bids received. The Purchasing Department recommended awarding the contract to JBEA Logging in the amount of \$4,500. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by

Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, declared the timber surplus property and approved awarding the contract as recommended.

Bid # 16-012W Western Conveyance Water System Connection Materials (materials necessary to connect homes to the Western Conveyance System). Four (4) bids were received, however, only two of the four bidders were able to provide all the materials specified in the RFP. The Purchasing Department recommend awarding the contract to HD Supply in the amount of \$131,417.50. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Hinebaugh, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved awarding the contract as recommended.

4. Garrett County Board/Commission Appointments (All Board openings have been posted on the County website.)

Commission for Women – Kitty Lauer, nominated by the Commission for Women, for a three (3) year term. No other applications received. Ms. Lauer has been a resident since 2008. She served on Board of HART and Mountain Laurel Medical Center and is retired from John Hopkins University as Dean of Finance and Administration.

Ruth Enlow Library Board of Trustees- Reappointment of Cosette Harman to the Library Board for a five (5) year term.

Garrett County Planning Commission – Three (3) seats available. All three incumbents requested to be reappointed; Anthony Doerr, Troy Ellington and Jeff Messenger. No other applications were received.

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved all Board appointments/reappointments.

6. Public Comment

George and Jean Worgul addressed the Board concerning a rental unit they recently purchased. The property was purchased with the understanding that it met the requirements for a rental unit. As the result of a recent inspection, the unit does not meet the egress requirements. They asked the Board to consider granting them relief from the egress requirements of the Transient Vacation Rental Unit Ordinance.

7. The Board of Garrett County Commissioners next scheduled Public Meeting will be Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.
8. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Hinebaugh, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, adjourned the public meeting at 4:35 p.m. to convene in Executive session to discuss economic development issues.

Attest:

By Order of the Board,

Kevin G. Null,
County Administrator

Paul C. Edwards, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

Date