

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

PUBLIC MEETING

Tuesday, June 7, 2021

Meeting was also Live Streamed at <https://www.facebook.com/garrettcountygovernment/>

IN ATTENDANCE

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

County Administrator Kevin G. Null

ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION

1. **Board Appointments – Garrett County Local Management Board – Three (3) Year Term**

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, appointed Kurt Lear to the Garrett County Local Management Board.

An official letter will be sent to Mr. Lear under the signature of Chairman Edwards outlining the terms of appointment.

2. Mr. Null reviewed a number of administrative, non-privileged personnel, and managerial matters under his authority and jurisdiction with the Board of County Commissioners.

CALL TO ORDER OF PUBLIC SESSION at 4:03 PM

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Invocation by Pastor Jeff Kroll

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 June 7, 2021.
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 May 18, 2021.
3. **Update on County Response to COVID-19:** Robert Stephens, Garrett County Health Officer provided an update on COVID-19 and vaccine.
 - Garrett County Case Rate is 1.48% per 100,000. Overall, 39.6% of the county has been vaccinated and 47.5% of those over 18 years old have been vaccinated.
 - FEMA has been deployed around the County to provide vaccination. The Garrett County Health Department (GCHD) will offer “private clinics” for businesses, organizations, and churches who have five (5) or more people interested in receiving vaccinations. There is no cost to the organization.
 - Vaccinations are available at the GCHD in Oakland (Tuesdays from 8:00-4:00) and the Grantsville office (Fridays from 8:30-4:00). No appointment required.
 - The GCHD is monitoring overdose cases closely. The Community Response Team (EMS Personnel), in conjunction with the GCHD provides information and resources for treatment on any overdose related call.

4. **Garrett County Government – Fiscal Year 2022 Operating & Capital Budget.**

The Board of County Commissioners presented the Fiscal Year 2022 Operating and Capital Budget and all applicable tax rates – Resolution 2021 – 5 (attached).

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Hinebaugh, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved and adopted the Constant Yield Rate, all other applicable tax rates, and the Fiscal Year 2022 Operating and Capital Budget by Resolution 2020 - 5.

5. **Garrett County Agricultural Land Preservation District Applications.**

Gary Aronhalt, Watershed Coordinator, Garrett County Department of Planning and Land Management, presented the following applicants for inclusion in the Garrett County Agricultural Preservation District.

Applicants:

Raymond & Savilla Schlabach – 182.89 Acres

Wilson Corona Partners, LLC – 400.32 Acres

Four Mile Ridge Sportsman’s Association, LLC – 148.71 Acres

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Hinebaugh, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved each request. The Garrett County Department of Planning & Land Management will finalize each application and ensure the recording of the Garrett County Agricultural Land Preservation District Agreements for each individual.

6. **Garrett County Diversity & Inclusion – Discussion**

Chairman Edwards stated that a group of interested individuals have approached the Board of County Commissioners with a request to form a diversity and inclusion committee. The Board of County Commissioners would like to hear from the community - any thoughts, comments, or recommendations. Comments may be submitted to gccomments@garrettcounty.org

7. **PUBLIC COMMENTARY:** None

8. The Board of Garrett County Commissioners announced that the next Public Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 22, 2021, 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 4:23 P.M.

Attest:

KEVIN G. NULL
County Administrator

By Order of the Board,

PAUL C. EDWARDS, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

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Resolution 2021 – 5**Garrett County Government**

**FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET
FISCAL YEAR 2022 TAX RATES**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Garrett County must adopt a budget by June 30, 2021 for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Garrett County Department of Financial Services Director, at the request of the Board held budget hearings with all County Departments and the Board of County Commissioners of Garrett County to review their request and develop a balanced Fiscal Year 2022 Budget for the Board's review and approval.

WHEREAS, the Board held a public preliminary budget hearing on May 18, 2021, and sought additional public input; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GARRETT COUNTY ADOPTS:

Constant Yield

In order to fully offset the effect of increasing assessments, the real property tax rate should be reduced to \$1.0402 county-wide, excluding the municipality of Mountain Lake Park. The County will not maintain the constant yield tax rate and will keep the property tax rate to \$1.0560.

Real Property Tax

Garrett County shall set the Real Property tax rate to \$1.0560 per \$100 of assessment county-wide excluding the municipality of Mountain Lake Park and \$.9916 per \$100 of assessment for Mountain Lake Park.

Public Utilities Tax

Garrett County shall set the Public Utilities tax rate to \$2.6400 per \$100 of assessment county-wide excluding the municipality of Mountain Lake Park and \$2.4790 per \$100 of assessment for Mountain Lake Park.

Fiscal Year 2022 Budget

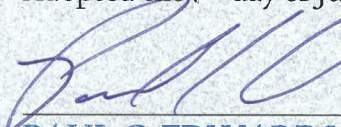
Operating and Capital Budget – \$87,630,101.

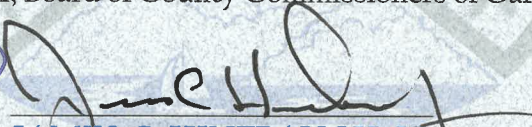
Ad Valorem Tax

The Ad Valorem Tax for the Garrett County Sanitary District, Inc. Shall be:

<u>District</u>	
Bloomington Sanitary District	\$0.14
Chestnut Ridge Sewer Sanitary District	\$0.21
Deep Creek Lake Water Sanitary District	\$0.10
Deep Creek Lake Sewer Sanitary District	\$0.09
Deer Park Water Sanitary District	\$0.15
Deer Park Sewer Sanitary District	\$0.15
Friendsville Sanitary District	\$0.11
Jennings Sewer Sanitary District	\$0.06
Keyser's Ridge Water Sanitary District	\$0.24
Meadow Mountain Sewer Sanitary District	\$0.07
Mountain Lake Park – Loch Lynn Water Sanitary District	\$0.05
Mountain Lake Park – Loch Lynn Sewer Sanitary District	\$0.04

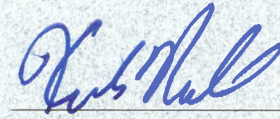
Adopted the 7th day of June 2021, Board of County Commissioners of Garrett County.


 PAUL C. EDWARDS
 Chairman


 JAMES C. HINEBAUGH, JR.
 Commissioner


 S. LARRY TICHNELL
 Commissioner

Witness:


 KEVIN G. NULL
 County Administrator