

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
JANUARY 8, 2008

IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Dennis G. Glotfelty
Commissioner Ernest J. Gregg
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 agenda for this date.
2. Minutes of the Public Meeting of December 18, 2007 and Administrative Session of December 27, 2007 were read and approved on a motion by Commissioner Holliday, which was seconded by Commissioner Gregg, and made unanimous Chairman Glotfelty.
3. Chairman Glotfelty, on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, issued a public statement that clarified the position of the Board on a local petition to support Sunday Sales by referendum on the November 2008 general election ballot.
4. Fred Polce, General Superintendent, County Roads Department briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the following issues:
 - a) Snow removal operations twenty (20) days and thirty-six (36) inches of snow year to date.
 - b) Notification that fuel costs for Fiscal Year 2008 have increased by nine percent (9%).
 - c) Other departmental issues.
5. Gary Mullich, Director, Department of General Services briefed the Board of County Commissioners on the following issues:
 - a) Update of County Airport expansion project and hangar lease agreements.
 - b) Status of Public Works Facility bid award and construction schedule.

- c) Solid Waste and Recycling Division Landfill Recycling Center status.
 - d) Status of Department of Public Utilities projects to include purchase of property in the Keyser's Ridge area to locate an alternate water source.
 - e) Status of Bayard Bridge Project which is a cooperative project with Garrett County Government and the State of West Virginia.
 - f) Commissioner Holliday entered a motion that the County not use the design build process for all County Government capital projects. This motion was seconded and carried by Chairman Glotfelty. Commissioner Gregg voted in opposition to the motion based on his opinion that projects should be evaluated on a project-by-project basis.
 - g) Other departmental issues.
6. The Purchasing Department presented a recommendation of award - Request for Proposals – Engineering Services – McHenry Business Park (RDP #07-1120). The Board, on a motion by Commissioner Gregg, which was seconded by Chairman Glotfelty, and made unanimous by Commissioner Holliday, approved an award to Thrasher Engineering, Inc. for \$289,600 and a not to exceed lump sum full time inspection fee of \$187,000.
7. Public Commentary. A number of persons voiced their opinion on the placement of wind turbines on State of Maryland property located in Garrett County and with wind generation in general. The Board of County Commissioners informed those in attendance that they would defer an official opinion/statement until after the State of Maryland conducts two public hearings on this proposal by the Department of Natural Resources.
8. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Gregg, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman Glotfelty, moved into Executive Session under section 10-508 of the Maryland Open Meetings Law on this date to discuss personnel matters. The same motion moved back into Administrative Session.
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. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Gregg, which was seconded by Commissioner Holliday, and made unanimous by Chairman

Glotfelty, appointed Renee Page and Karen Clapper to the Garrett County Mental Health Advisory Committee. Official letters of appointment will be sent to each appointee under the signature of Chairman Glotfelty.

3. The Board of County Commissioners met with Department of Financial Services Director Wendy Yoder and Assistant Director Scott Weeks to discuss County Local Supplement to Homeowners Property Tax Credit. The County Attorney will draft a final resolution.
4. The Board of County Commissioners met with Ms. Yoder; Mr. Weeks; Brad Frantz, Director, Department of Public Safety and Emergency Management; and Terry Spear, Emergency Services Coordinator, Department of Public Safety and Emergency Management to discuss the following issues:
 - a) In furtherance of a meeting between the County and Southern Garrett Rescue Association on January 3, 2008 the Board discussed suggested changes to the draft Memorandum of Understanding for paid emergency pre-hospital care personnel.
 - b) Additional changes/amendments to legislation for 2008 under 32.01, 32.03, and 35.05 of the Code of Ordinances for Garrett County, Maryland.

ADJOURNMENT

Attest:

By Order of the Board,

R. Lamont Pagenhardt,
County Administrator

Dennis G. Glotfelty, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

Date