

BOARD OF GARRETT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING
Tuesday, July 16, 2024

Held at Pleasant Valley Community Center

IN ATTENDANCE

Chairman Paul C. Edwards
Commissioner Ryan S. Savage
Commissioner S. Larry Tichnell

County Administrator Kevin G. Null

CALL TO ORDER OF PUBLIC SESSION at 6:00 PM

PRAYER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Invocation by Commissioner Tichnell

On July 8, 2024, the Board of County Commissioners met in Executive Session under General Provisions Article 3-305 (b) (1) to discuss the appointment, employment, assignment, promotion, discipline, demotion, compensation, removal, resignation, or performance evaluation of an appointee, employee, or official over whom this public body has jurisdiction; or any other personnel matter that affects one or more specific individuals.

PUBLIC SESSION

1. Mr. Null indicated there was one addition to the Public Meeting Agenda. The announcement of the appointee to the Garrett County Board of Education. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Savage, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the Public Meeting Agenda for July 16, 2024.
2. The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Savage, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved the Public Meeting Minutes of July 1, 2024.
3. **BOARD APPOINTMENTS:**
The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Savage, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, appointed the following individuals:

Garrett County Local Management Board – Three (3) Year Terms:

Reappointments

Henrietta Lease

Kim Govi

Garrett County Police Accountability Board – Three (3) Year Term:

Reappointments

Fred Gregg – Citizen Representative

Brian Schlossnagle - Citizen Representative

Official letters will be sent to each appointee under the signature of Chairman Edwards outlining the terms of the appointment.

4. BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERSHIP VACANCY

The Board of County Commissioners received seven (7) letters of interest for appointment to fill the vacancy on the Garrett County Board of Education due to the resignation of Joshua Hinebaugh. After reviewing candidates and conducting interviews, the Board of County Commissioners recommended appointing Mr. Donald Morin to complete Mr. Hinebaugh’s term. Mr. Morin is a successful businessman and has served on the Board of Trustees of Garrett College and most recently was its Chairman.

The Board County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Tichnell, which was seconded by Commissioner Savage, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, appointed Mr. Morin to the Garrett County Board of Education.

5. RESOLUTION: USDA Reconnect Project

Resolution authorizing County Administrator Kevin G. Null as the representative security role for USDA Online Financial Reporting and Compliance System.

The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Savage, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, approved and signed a Resolution for reporting and compliance through the USDA for the Garrett County – USDA Reconnect Project – Rt. 135.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ❖ The Board of Garrett County Commissioners announced that the next Public Meeting will be held on Monday, August 5, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. at the Garrett County Courthouse.
- ❖ Public Comment – Individual commended the Board of County Commissioners on how they handled the last meeting.
- ❖ The FCC recently issued a Broadband, Equity, Access and Deployment (BEAD) Program map. Stakeholders can view the maps at <https://www.ntia.gov/program/broadband-equity-access-and-deployment-bead>.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board of County Commissioners, on a motion by Commissioner Savage, which was seconded by Commissioner Tichnell, and made unanimous by Chairman Edwards, adjourned the Public Meeting at 6:17 P.M.

Attest:

KEVIN G. NULL
County Administrator

By Order of the Board,

PAUL C. EDWARDS, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners