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COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

May 5, 2023

Courthouse Court Order

Resident Superior Court Judge Michael Duncan issued an Administrative Court Order banning cell phones from the Courthouse with the exception of the LPA. The Order is in Exhibit A.

EMS Outposts

We are still working to lower the costs for the replacement of the 2 outposts. I asked Dylan Zachary to provide the CAD data for the EMS outposts in Jonesville and Hamptonville and asked GIS to map those calls for last fiscal year and the current fiscal year. These two maps are in Exhibit B. The maps show that most of the calls the Jonesville unit is dispatched to are in the Jonesville area, whereas, the Hamptonville unit is sent often to Yadkinville and areas south of Hwy 421. We are going to make some repairs and improvements to the former Dental Clinic on the hospital property to house Medic 5. Medic 5 was the 12-hour truck that operated during the peak call times until the hospital closed. Then we staffed it 24-hours while keeping it 12-hour shifts. that we converted to a 24-hour truck a couple of years ago. The Board converted it to a 24-hour truck when it approved the 24-72 work schedule. Medic 5 has been operating out of the hospital facility, but that doesn't provide the day room and sleeping quarters of the other outposts. The Dental Clinic is large enough to accommodate 2 EMS units. Based upon the calls dispatched, we could move the Hamptonville unit to Yadkinville to share the Dental Clinic with Medic 5. This move would mean that we would only have to replace the Jonesville EMS outpost and keep the costs down. We would need to build a garage bay to protectively park and maintain the ambulances. The repairs and garage would cost less than replacing the existing outpost. In addition, we could sell the current property and get it back on the tax rolls.

Fire Districts

One of the complaints I have received from Fire Chiefs over the last several years is that the tax district lines and the response district lines do not align. In addition, the response lines are created by road centerlines and the tax districts by parcel lines. Some of the fire departments respond to calls that are in their response districts, but not in their tax districts and vice versa. Aligning these two districts is at the discretion of the Board of Commissioners. Steven Ratcliff is working on new maps that would align the response

district with the tax district lines. We will present this new map to the Board at a future meeting.

Brooks Crossroads

The Town is supporting of the Brooks Crossroads sewer project and the Hwy 601 south sewer project, if the funding can be secured. We do have the \$1,000,000 from the General Assembly that we can apply for and it would be sufficient for the Hwy 601 south project. Michael Goliber has reached out to the State to have conversations with them about the funding for the Brooks Crossroads project. Unless we can secure a grant for the Brooks Crossroads project, we cannot afford it.

Upcoming Dates

The NCACC is partnering with NC Emergency Management and Duke Energy to offer an in-depth day-long training to prepare Commissioners and staff with knowledge, tools and resources to lead emergency situations. The training will be offered in Raleigh at the State Emergency Operations Center on **May 31, 2023**. If you are interested in attending, please let me know this week and we will register you.

June 7 & 8, the NCACC will host another Opioid Summit in Durham County. Registration is now open, so please let me know if you would like to attend this.

The NCACC District meeting for our area is **Thursday, June 22** in Wilkes County. Please let Tanya or me know if you would like to attend. The meeting is 5-7pm in the Agricultural Center.

The NC City/County Managers' Conference will be **June 22-24** in Wilmington, NC.

EXHIBIT A

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA **FILED** IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR/DISTRICT COURT DIVISIONS
YADKIN COUNTY 23 R 58

2023 MAY -1 A 10:08

YADKIN CO., C.S.C
BY BW

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

RE: Cell Phones, Personal Communication Devices
and Bags in the Courthouse

The use of cell phones and other personal communication devices has increased dramatically, many users see them as a necessary incident to their work and personal lives. While these devices may be seen as enhancing communication, they are also increasingly being recognized as a distraction and as having no place in certain venues.

In addressing this issue, the undersigned have attempted to balance all relevant considerations, and have considered less strict measures than ordered herein. Based on the experience of the undersigned, allowing cell phones and personal communication devices, that are set to "silent" or powered off, to be brought into the courthouse have been insufficient measures to accomplish the objective of ending disruptions and inappropriate use of these devices.

Accordingly, **IT IS ORDERED**, that use or possession of cell phones and other personal communication devices, as well as use or possession of computers, tablets and cameras by any litigants, witnesses, or members of the general public are banned in the Yadkin County Courthouse. If a device covered by this Order is needed in the courthouse to present evidence in a trial, or for other extraordinary cause, the presiding Judge may allow the device to be in the courthouse.

In addition to cell phones, other personal communication devices, computers, tablets and cameras, backpacks and other similar containers will be prohibited from the Yadkin County Courthouse, apart from small purses or handbags.

This order does not apply to individuals below if the covered device is in silent mode while in the courthouse:

1. Courthouse personnel.
2. Attorneys.
3. State/Government officers or employees performing their duties.

4. Jurors, unless otherwise specified by the presiding Judge, jurors may possess cellphones in the courthouse and in the jury room. Jurors may use their cellphone during breaks as long as the device is not used to research, or to discuss the case under consideration by the juror.
5. Media may contact the presiding Judge if they wish to bring in items.

If you attempt to enter the courthouse with a device, backpack, or other similar container covered in this Order you will be asked to return the item(s) to your vehicle. The sheriff's deputies, or any other courthouse personnel, will not be able to assist you in storing these items.


Violation of the terms of this Order may result in the confiscation of the item(s) and the violator may be held in contempt of court and subject to sanctions, including payment of a fine or imprisonment. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to limit the authority of a judge to control the Courtroom in which such judge is presiding.

Notice of the contents of this Order shall be posted on the courthouse doors.

This the 1st day of May, 2023.



Michael D. Duncan, Senior Resident Superior Court Judge

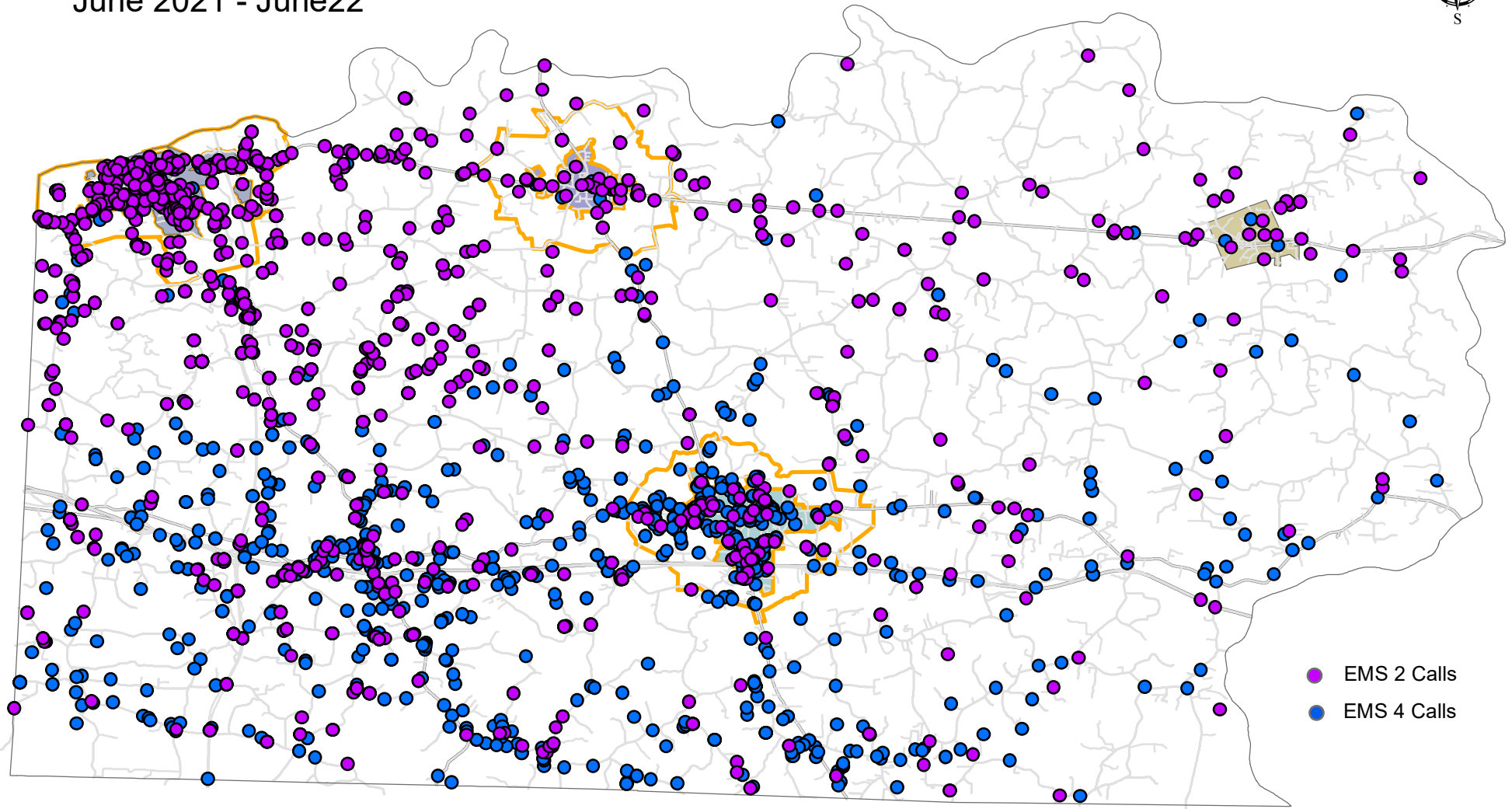


Robert J. Crumpton, Chief District Court Judge

EXHIBIT B

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

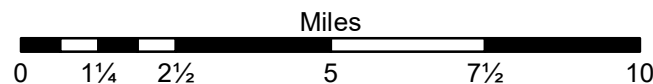
Outpost Two & Four Calls
June 2021 - June22



- EMS 2 Calls
- EMS 4 Calls

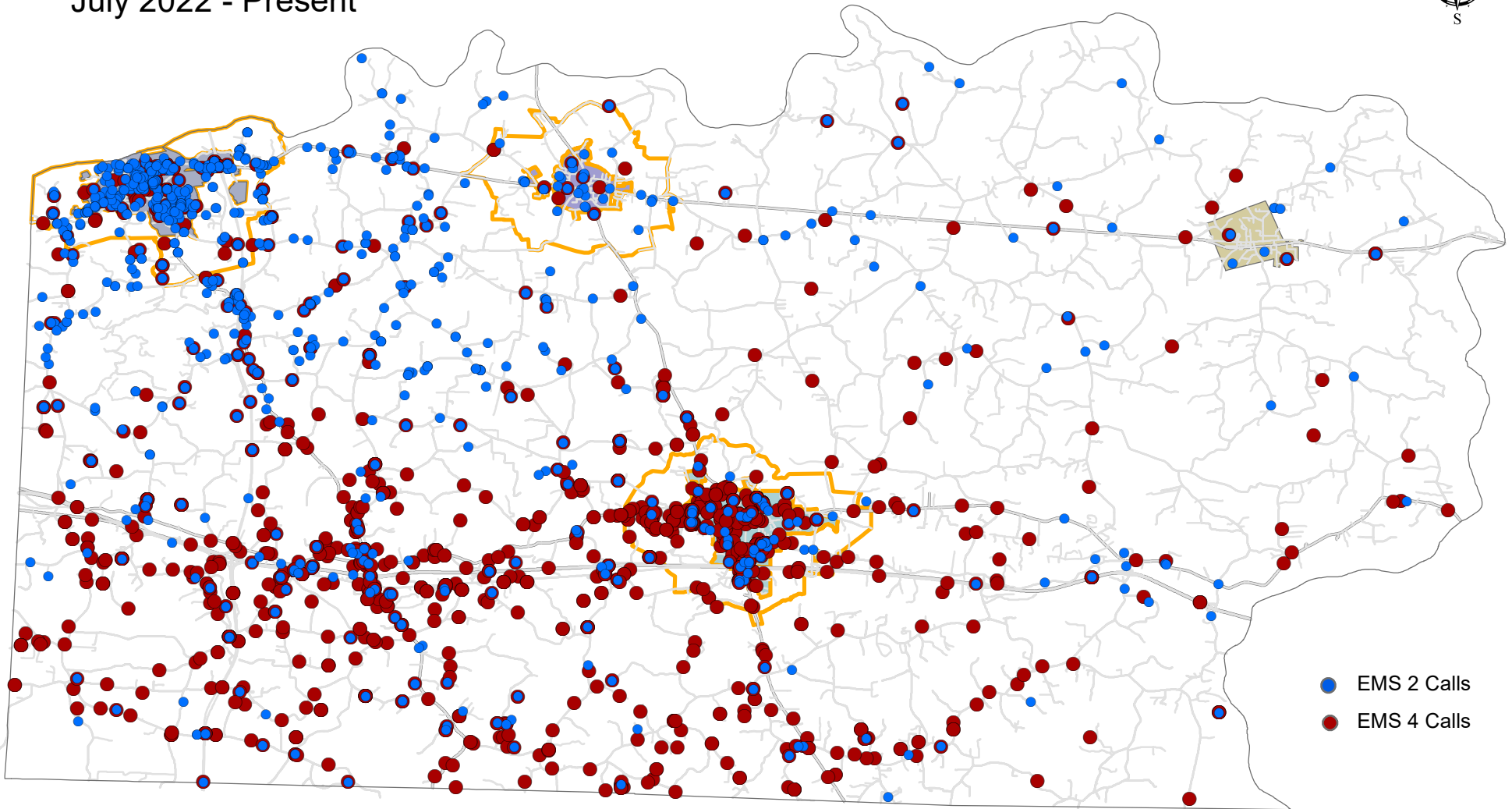
EMS 2 Total Calls = 1322

EMS 4 Total Calls = 1646



EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Outpost Two & Four Calls
July 2022 - Present



● EMS 2 Calls
● EMS 4 Calls

EMS 2 Total Calls = 1064

EMS 4 Total Calls = 1302

