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## **COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT**

### **January 5, 2024**

#### ***Medicaid Expansion***

The State has created a dashboard for tracking Medicaid Expansion. This information is supposed to be updated monthly and I will include it in future Manager's Reports. However, the dashboard has not been updated since December 1, 2023.

#### ***Solid Waste Grant***

We are submitting a recycling grant application to the State for a compactor to be used for recycling at the Landfill. This would help us reduce the number of recycling lifts at the landfill and reduce cost.

We are exploring leasing a dump trailer to pilot us using it at the Landfill for household trash rather than Republic collecting it.

#### ***Vacancy Report***

This week we have 24 vacancies, excluding the 5 positions that were created in December. Half of these positions (12) are in Human Services. Human Services consistently has the highest number of openings within the County and has hovered around 11-12 vacancies for the last few months. The Sheriff's Office and Emergency Services both have 4 vacancies.

#### ***Elections***

We are working on a contract for Board approval that will provide Elections a postage machine. Elections has been asked to let Lindsey Cearlock or me know anytime they need access to the postage machine in Finance before 8am, after 5pm or on weekends and we will make sure they have access to it until theirs is installed.

#### ***Solid Waste Violations***

On occasion we receive complaints about household trash accumulating at residences and this can be a violation of our Ordinance. When it is verified by staff, a Notice of Violation is sent to the homeowner and they have 30 days to clean it up. If they fail to clean it up within

the 30 days, court action may be necessary. This week, we sent a Notice of Violation by certified mail to a homeowner.

### *Vehicle Accidents*

Public Safety vehicles have a higher incidence of accidents, as they are on the road more frequently than other vehicles in our fleet.

This week, an ambulance that was transporting a patient hit by an intoxicated driver who left the scene. The ambulance sustained minimal damage and nobody was injured. The State Highway Patrol was able to locate and arrest the driver of the hit and run vehicle.

### *Upcoming Dates*

County offices will be closed, **January 15** for the Martin Luther King holiday.

The Yadkin County Chamber of Commerce will have its Annual Banquet on Tuesday, **January 23 at 6pm** at the Agricultural & Educational Building.

The NCCCMA Winter Seminar is **January 31-February 2**, 2024 in Winston Salem. Brock Hall and I both plan to attend.