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## COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

### March 21, 2025

#### FY2026 Budget

Please don't forget to submit your top 5 goals you would like to have considered for next fiscal year.

Also, let me know if you would additional information about topics already discussed or areas we have not touched upon yet.

Departments are working on their zero-based budgets for submission to me by April 4<sup>th</sup>.

The next Budget 101 Session is scheduled after the March 31<sup>st</sup> meeting with the Board of Education. Another session will be scheduled to review budget requests from Departments.

#### Schools

The School system has a lot of roofs that need repair. Over the last several years, the School System and the County have worked to replace and repair roofs with Needs-Based Grants, Repair & Renovation (R&R) grants and County funding. The School System is working on a plan to replace them based upon need.

#### Vacancy Report

There are currently 25 vacancies throughout County departments. There are 10 vacancies in Human Services (all in the DSS Division), 6 within the Sheriff's Office (4 Patrol and 2 Detention), 4 in Emergency Services, one each in the Animal Shelter, Elections, Finance, Information Technology and Tax. Of these positions 17 have been vacant over 30 days and 8 have been vacant for over 100 days, 4 of which have been vacant over 220 days.

Some of these vacancies are in the process of being filled within the next several weeks.

#### Rural Summit

Next Wednesday, Sandi Scannelli, Carolyn Choplín, Bobby Todd, Kevin Austin and I are presenting a session at the Rural Summit in Raleigh on "Expanding Child Care: Strategies and Innovations for Rural Communities. It is our hope to share our efforts to make child

care more available and affordable with the Mama Jewell ChildPlex concept and attract investors to help make it a reality.

### **SCADA System**

The Board approved a contract with Dorsett's to install a SCADA system on the Hwy 21 waterline. We were notified this week that the costs have increased and they are requesting we amend the contract to include the \$9,000 increase.

### **I-Pads**

If you would like to be able to save documents on your I-Pad, you can use the files app on your I-Pad or you can use OneDrive. If you would like assistance from IT on learning how to do this, please see Steven.

### **Salute to Heroes**

Do you know someone who has saved a life, demonstrated extraordinary courage or exemplifies outstanding humanitarian values? If so, please nominate that person for Salute to Heroes and help the American Red Cross honor our community heroes. Nominees must live, work or attend school in Alamance, Caswell, Davie, Davidson, Forsyth, Guilford, Randolph, Rockingham, Stokes, Surry or Yadkin counties. Nominations close April 30, 2025.

### **Upcoming Dates**

**March 24<sup>th</sup>** at 4pm, Special Called Meeting to enter Closed Session to discuss Opioid Litigation and a Personnel matter. The Meeting will be held in the Commissioners' Room.

**March 31<sup>st</sup>** is a meeting with the Board of Education and Budget 101 following the meeting.

**April 7<sup>th</sup>** at 5:00pm is the Cooperative Extension Report to the People. We need to RSVP by April 4<sup>th</sup>.

**April 14<sup>th</sup> at 5pm** a joint Board meeting will be held with the Board of Education and the Surry Community College Board of Trustees. Dinner will be provided.

**May 7<sup>th</sup>, 5:30pm-7:30pm**, NCACC District 18 meeting at Forsyth County Cooperative Extension.

The School of Government has a webinar coming up that you may be interested in. Please let Tanya know if you are interested in any of these or any other training.

April 2: Fiduciary Responsibilities of Local Elected Officials Online