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COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT March 3, 2023

Opioid Funds

Jeff Eads with Partners Behavioral Health made me aware Wednesday that Yadkin County can receive a little over \$70,000 from Partners for Opioid prevention/intervention/treatment intended for harm reduction. We have to submit a Plan by Friday, March 10th. Brock and I are researching what we can include in the Plan.

FY2024 Budget

Clayton Campbell and Lindsay Cranford presented updated values for us to use in the FY2024 budget. Lindsey and I are working now to update the revenue neutral rate and the estimated property tax revenues. We can now schedule another Budget Retreat for the Commissioners. A possible date is March 13 and can be held at the Moose Lodge. The date and time will be confirmed as soon as possible.

Brooks Crossroads Sewer

According to a press release from the State, Yadkin County has received loan/grant funding for the Brooks Crossroads Sewer Project. It is for the full amount requested of \$4.887 million. I anticipate receiving an official letter from the State soon that will specify the amount of grant and/or loan.

Central Permitting

We have had several staff changes in Central Permitting. The two vacant positions (Permit Technician and Building Inspector) have been filled and the two new employees started this week. The Zoning Officer (Planning) position is vacant and we are beginning the recruitment process now.

Department Director Retreat

All of the County Department Directors (17) participated in the two (2) day retreat yesterday and today. We talked about mission, vision and core values. As with most employers, we are facing many challenges recruiting and retaining employees. All of the Directors worked together to develop ideas to help recruit and retain our employees. We will continue working on these areas and developing a Strategic Plan.