

EDGEFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL

June 6, 2023

6:00 PM

County Council Chambers

The Edgefield County Council held its regular meeting at 6:00 P.M. Tuesday, June 6, 2023, in the County Council Chambers, 225 Jeter Street, Edgefield, SC. Notice of this meeting was provided to The Edgefield Advertiser and others as requested.

**Members Present**

Dean Campbell, Chairman (attending via phone conference call)  
Albert Talbert, Vice Chairman  
Tiffani Ireland, Councilwoman  
Dr. Jackie Kennion, Councilwoman  
Jerry Moody, Councilman

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**Others Present**

David Caddell, Administrator  
Taz Potts, County Finance Director  
Aretha Eubanks, Clerk to Council  
Hart Doc Clark, Building and Planning Director  
Andrew Marine, County Attorney

Vice Chairman Talbert called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The invocation was given by Reverend Willie Patten, Pastor of Republican Grove Baptist Church.

Vice Chairman Talbert acknowledged Chairman Campbell attending electronically, via phone call. Throughout these minutes, Chairman Campbell was asked for his vote.

**Approval of Agenda**

Vice Chairman Talbert asked that before we approve the agenda, can we move items two and three from new business to right after the approval of minutes. Councilwoman Kennion made the motion and Councilman Moody seconded to amend the agenda. Motion passed unanimously. Vice Chairman Talbert asked the Council if they approve the amended agenda. Hearing no comments. Councilwoman Ireland made the motion, and Councilwoman Kennion seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

**Approval of Minutes**

Vice Chairman Talbert requested approval for the May 2, 2023, regular meeting minutes. Councilman Moody made the motion, and Councilwoman Ireland seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution Recognition**

Vice Chairman Talbert asked Administrator Caddell if he would read resolution 21-23-1161, recognizing Edgefield County Treasurer Arlene Traxler for her years of dedicated service to Edgefield County. Councilman Moody made the motion, and Councilwoman Ireland seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Administrator Caddell read resolution 21-23-1162, recognizing Edgefield County Clerk of Court/Register of Deeds Charles Reel for his selection as Clerk of

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Court/Register of Deeds of the Year for the state of South Carolina. Councilwoman Kennion made the motion, and Councilman Moody seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Arlene Traxler: I would like to thank everyone for tonight. This is especially nice and I am very humbled by it. I could not be here if it was not for you all and the taxpayers. You all entrusted me with the county finances and I hope I have made you proud. I thank everyone for your commitment to me, especially my office staff. The Treasurer-Elect who will be my replacement is here tonight and I hope you will support her. The flowers are beautiful, and it was quite a spread. I would like to thank Joe Simpson for taking the time to cook all that barbeque. It was delicious and I appreciate all he has done to help me. Joe would fix anything I asked and truly thank him for being there to help me.

Charles Reel: I want to thank everyone for this honor, and I appreciate it. I have been working hard trying to let people across the state know about Edgefield County. My staff is not here tonight because I did not tell and I did not want to put anyone on the spot. But, I want to thank my staff, and former staff members for all the experiences they have given me to help me grow in this position. To win the honor of Clerk to Court/Register of Deeds of the Year is an honor. I would like to thank my family for their support also.

**Comments from the Public**

Vice Chairman Talbert opened this public comment period.

John Pettigrew: One, I would like to thank Ms. Arlene Traxler for all of her services that you have done for this county. I have never heard a complaint about the Treasurer's Office. Two, I would like to remind everyone that maybe 10 or 15 years ago, Ms. Traxler was president of the South Carolina Treasurer's Association. They have an annual meeting of various destinations. Mrs. Traxler brought that association to Edgefield to showcase Edgefield County for a few days. I thank her for that dedication to the people of this county. I do have a couple of questions regarding item number seven on the agenda regarding the six-month extension for the Dubin Guru Group and the tax abatement for the Kendall Mill. The agenda says that all evidence indicates that this project is moving forward. I am curious about what has been done in the past year regarding Kendall Mill. If anyone could tell me I would appreciate it.

Administrator Caddell: Studies have been done and they are currently shopping for a contractor per the mayor of the town. According to the administrator of the Town of Edgefield, this is moving forward rapidly and I take them at their word.

John Pettigrew: You have not talked to the Dubin Guru Group?

Administrator Caddell: I have corresponded with them by email where they have shared their status.

John Pettigrew: Have the project plans or scope changed any? I know there were a hundred and twenty-something apartments planned. Has any of that changed that we know of in a year's time?

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Hart Clark: No, there are no changes. They are still using the same plans. But there are some engineering shortfalls that have to be accounted for. Due to this, they may have to lose one or two apartments. Their engineering is almost to the review stage, they are sticking to the same plan.

John Pettigrew: As my final question, they have asked for this six-month extension, is this their provision for further extension if they ask for it?

Administrator Caddell: Right now, that is not in that contract to allow for a six-month extension.

John Pettigrew: It did allow for one extension.

Administrator Caddell: Yes, it did for one.

**Reports**

No comments from Council.

**Public Hearing**

Vice Chairman Talbert opened the public hearing on Ordinance 21-23-796, an ordinance providing for the FY 2023-2024 General Operating Budget and establishing ancillary budgets for E-911 Administration, Economic Development, Solid Waste Disposal, Victims' Bill of Rights, Emergency Medical Services, Road Maintenance, Tri-County Solicitor, assistant Solicitor, School Resource Office #1 to School Resource Officer #8, Event Security, Opioid Grant, Sheriff Discretionary Funds, Clerk of Court Discretionary Funds, Pre Trial-Intervention and Criminal Domestic Violence. There being no speaker, Vice Chairman Talbert closed this public hearing.

**Old Business**

1. Consideration of approval of the third reading of ordinance 21-23-798, to amend Section 24-286 of the Edgefield County Code of Ordinances "Land Development" in regards to the County Planning Commission terms.

Vice Chairman Talbert: I will ask Administrator Caddell if there are any changes.

Administrator Caddell: No changes.

Vice Chairman Talbert: Council have any concerns regarding this ordinance?

Hearing none. Councilwoman Ireland made the motion, and Councilman Moody seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Consideration of approval of the third reading of ordinance 21-23-797, to enter into a Multi-County Industrial Park agreement with Aiken County for Gateway Properties, LP (previously identified as Project Grove).

Vice Chairman Talbert: I will ask Administrator Caddell if there is anything we need to know about this project.

Administrator Caddell: There are no changes.

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Vice Chairman Talbert: Comments from Council?

Hearing none. Councilwoman Ireland made the motion, and Councilwoman Kennion seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Consideration of approval of third reading on Ordinance 21-23-796, an ordinance providing for the FY 2023-2024 General Operating Budget and establishing ancillary budgets for E-911 Administration, Economic Development, Solid Waste Disposal, Victims' Bill of Rights, Emergency Medical Services, Road Maintenance, Tri-County Solicitor, assistant Solicitor, School Resource Office #1 to School Resource Officer #8, Event Security, Opioid Grant, Sheriff Discretionary Funds, Clerk of Court Discretionary Funds, Pre Trial-Intervention and Criminal Domestic Violence.

Vice Chairman Talbert: I will ask Administrator Caddell to walk us through this ordinance.

Administrator Caddell: The changes from the second reading primarily included an increase in anticipated revenue to the General Fund in the amount of \$234,380 dollars. This is primarily due to the fact that the state legislature is fully funding the aid to subdivisions. Representative Hixon is in attendance this evening and I thank him for his support. That brings more money into our budget. That allowed us to have a reduction in the anticipated use of the Fund Balance of \$84,000. We are certain we will have an increase in expenditure for health insurance and the retirement contribution on the County's behalf. So that \$234,000 dollars will fund those two increases and it will allow us to reduce the use of the Fund Balance. There are no changes at all in the Special Revenue Funds budget. The General Fund budget is \$14,462,632 dollars. That is with the increase of \$234,000 dollars. We received the Opioid Grant totaling \$164,000 dollars. Council proactively added this into the Special Revenue Funds at the second reading. We have already got the budget established and does not require any changes there. These funds will pay for overdose treatment drugs; school, church, and community education and outreach efforts utilizing County Staff. It will fund a part-time employee who will be housed at EMS in an administrative capacity. This person will help schedule training, manage expenditures, and oversee the program.

Vice Chairman Talbert: Any comment or questions from Council?

Councilman Moody: I would like to thank Administrator Caddell for putting this budget together. I think it shows that we care about our employees and citizens. We have worked with Sheriff Rowland and EMS Director Garrett Lynn to make sure they have what they need to protect and serve the citizens. Thank you, Sheriff Rowland and Garrett Lynn, for all you do.

Vice Chairman Talbert: Any further comments from Council?

Hearing none. Chairman Campbell made the motion and Councilman Moody seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**New Business**

1. Consideration of recommendation to appoint Sheryl Champy to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Vice Chairman Talbert: Any comments from Council about this appointment?

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Hearing none. Councilman Moody made the motion and Councilwoman Kennion seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Consideration of approval of Resolution 21-23-1161, recognizing Edgefield County Treasurer Arlene Traxler for her years of dedicated service to Edgefield County, was moved to earlier on the agenda.

2. Consideration of approval of Resolution 21-23-1162, recognizing Edgefield County Clerk of Court/Register of Deeds Charles Reel for his selection as Clerk of Court/Register of Deeds of the Year for the state of South Carolina, was moved to earlier on the agenda.

3. Consideration of approval of Resolution 21-23-1163, providing for an intergovernmental agreement between Edgefield and McCormick Counties allowing McCormick County citizens to use Edgefield County's Highway 378 Convenience Center.

Vice Chairman Talbert: We have noticed that we have had this contract for a period of time and we have been working well in this agreement. I will ask Administrator Caddell if there is anything we need to know more about this agreement.

Administrator Caddell: No changes, but to explain how the agreement works: McCormick County pays 50% of the labor that it takes to run the site as its share of the contribution for the use of the site. As you said Vice Chairman Talbert, this agreement has been for some years. The labor rate has increased a little with pay raises, but the staff recommends approval of this agreement.

Vice Chairman Talbert: Does Council have any comments or questions?

Hearing none. Councilwoman Ireland made the motion and Councilwoman Kennion seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Consideration of approval of entering into an HVAC contract with Cullum Services, Inc. to provide maintenance and repair services on heating and air conditioning systems on County buildings.

Vice Chairman Talbert: I will ask Administrator Caddell to discuss this with us.

Administrator Caddell: Cullum Services, Inc. has had our services for the last five years. The contract is up. They submitted the lowest bid by a substantial margin. Again, they have been our most recent vendor and we are satisfied with their services. Because of this, the staff recommends approval of this contract.

Vice Chairman Talbert: Are there any comments from Council?

Hearing none. Vice Chairman Talbert made the motion and Councilwoman Ireland seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Consideration of approval of extending the Janitorial Contract with Southern National Services.

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Vice Chairman Talbert: We have had a contract with them for a good period of time. Administrator Caddell, will you tell us more about this item?

Administrator Caddell: Southern Nation Services is our current vendor for janitorial services. The contract we entered into with them allowed for five one-year extensions. I believe this will be the fourth one, but we are well satisfied with their services. Staff recommends that we renew this contract.

Vice Chairman Talbert: Council have any questions or comments?

Councilwoman Kennion: This will be their fourth-year extension.

Administrator Caddell: Yes, that is correct. Their option is to extend up to five years and then we will have to rebid just as we did with Cullum Services, Inc.

Councilwoman Kennion: Okay.

Vice Chairman Talbert: No further comments.

Hearing none. Councilman Moody made the motion and Councilwoman Ireland seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Consideration of approval of a 6-month extension of the "Abatement Agreement" between the County of Edgefield and Dubin Guru Group for the development of the Kendall Mill Loft Apartments.

Vice Chairman Talbert: Administrator Caddell would you like to walk us through this one?

Administrator Caddell: This is a year-long contract that Council entered into with the Dubin Guru Group that is set to expire on June 30, 2023. There is an option for a six-month extension. They are currently speaking with contractors. But for this agreement can go into play, they have to sign a contract with a contractor. This six-month extension gives them the time to do that. Again, according to the Town of Edgefield and Edgefield Mayor, Ken Durham, this project is moving forward quickly. Staff recommends this extension.

Vice Chairman Talbert: What do I hear in regard to the extension from Council?

Councilwoman Ireland: I just want to make a clarification specifically to what Mr. Pettigrew spoke of earlier. The contract allows for one six-month extension, but they can come back to Council and ask us for further extension should they need it or should they choose. Is that correct Administrator Caddell?

Administrator Caddell: That is correct they can come back to Council and ask for those things. But the actual contract that is expiring June 30<sup>th</sup> allowed for the six-month extension.

Councilwoman Ireland: I wanted to clarify that they can come back if they needed more time.

Administrator Caddell: They could come back and enter into another new contract. That would not be an extension.

Councilwoman Ireland: They would have to do a new contract.



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Administrator Caddell: That is correct.

Vice Chairman Talbert: Any more questions or comments from Council?

Hearing none. Councilwoman Ireland made the motion and Vice Chairman Talbert seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Consideration of approval to solicit bids for a remount ambulance at an expected cost of approximately \$190,000.

Vice Chairman Talbert: I will ask Administrator Caddell to discuss this with us.

Administrator Caddell: I have had several conversations with EMS Director Garrett Lynn concerning the difficulty in obtaining new ambulances due to the long-time frames for arrival and the exorbitant cost involved. As you know, we have one order now and it is still beyond a year before we will receive it. We have to stay on top of this issue. That is why we are asking you to approve something we will not get for over a year, and that is not in this budget to approve. But we need to get going on this concern. We do have a spare ambulance that we would like to remount. That is essentially removing the bed and refurbishing it onto a new cab and chassis. The budget amount is estimated at around \$190,000, compared to a new ambulance priced over \$300,000. This particular unit would take about 14 to 15 months to receive. A new ambulance now would take over three years to receive. We believe this is a prudent investment and we recommend proceeding with obtaining bids do this.

Vice Chairman Talbert: It is anticipated to receive this ambulance between 2024 to 2025?

Administrator Caddell: That is correct. I would suggest that we start now probably in the latter part of 2024 for a remount, whereas if we ordered a new one it may be in 2026. We will need a new ambulance before then.

Councilwoman Ireland: Are we expecting the same amount of usage out of the remount as well as the same amount of time for use as if we got a new one?

Administrator Caddell: The cabin chassis will be brand new and the bed would be completely refurbished. I would expect there to be very little difference. I would not claim the exact longevity, but I would expect there to be very little difference. EMS Director Garrett Lynn agrees with me that there will be very little difference.

Councilman Moody: Just for public information, we still have ambulances in service. This is just an extra ambulance that is being remounted, with nothing being taken out of service. I want the public to know that they will not be without service during this procedure.

Hart Clark: Just for the record and for those online EMS Director Garrett Lynn said that was correct.

Administrator Caddell: I would like to add that we are talking about a 14-month or so time frame. This ambulance is in our possession for most of that time. It will be a couple of months to process once it is delivered to the vendor. But it is fully in use up until that time.

Vice Chairman Talbert: Can I have a motion from Council?

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Councilman Moody made the motion and Councilwoman Ireland seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

9. Consideration of approval to transfer funds from several old vehicle bonds and lease purchase funds to erase a negative balance in one vehicle bond fund and deposit the remaining balances in the EMS Ambulance Escrow account (030-001-01000-00001).

Vice Chairman Talbert: I know we had several accounts that we discussed during the budget workshop. Administrator Caddell had mentioned this to us during the meeting. I will ask Administrator Caddell if he will discuss this with us.

Administrator Caddell: Just for public consumption, outside of the normal budgetary process, we have revenue accounts where sometimes monies are leftover. Let's say in 1999, we had a five-year vehicle bond fund, and we had six thousand dollars left in the account. We let that money sit in an account for months and months without utilizing the funds for the intended purpose because we are in another bond fund. That is what these funds are, money that has been sitting back roughly unchanged for years. Our auditors recommend that from time to time we clean up these old funds and transfer the money for a similar use. There were vehicle bond funds that we will transfer to an EMS Ambulance Escrow to be used for something like we just discussed. This clean-up of funds is great for housekeeping budgetarily and accounting purposes. Then we can actually put those funds to their intended use.

Vice Chairman Talbert: Questions or comments from Council.

Hearing none. Councilwoman Ireland made the motion and Councilwoman Kennion seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

10. Consideration of Approval to transfer \$5,440.68 from the old \$10 Road Maintenance account (070-001-01000-00100) to the Road Maintenance Equipment Escrow account (016-001-01000-00006).

Vice Chairman Talbert: I will ask Administrator Caddell to discuss this item with us.

Administrator Caddell: This is very similar to the previous line item on the agenda. These monies were left over from where we had a \$10 Road Maintenance Fee. Council approved the purchase in this current year's budget of a right-of-way mower with a sidearm cutter to cut back brush. That cost came in a little over budget. The monies leftover from the \$10 Road Maintenance fee will help to cover this overage cost from what was budgeted for that mower. Staff recommends approval of this and again this will help to clean up an account that just sat idle for many years.

Vice Chairman Talbert made the motion and Councilman Moody seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

11. Consideration of approval to transfer \$4,135 from the Animal Control Escrow account (001-001-01000-00131) to purchase furnishings for the new Animal Care and Control Facility.

Vice Chairman Talbert: I will ask Administrator Caddell to discuss this with us.



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Administrator Caddell: As we have discussed earlier, there are certain revenue accounts that are sitting out there. I do not know the history of this account or why the animal control facility escrow was established. I know there was talk of building a facility years ago. But now we are actually building a facility and the use of would be appropriate. There is a need for furnishings and veterinary equipment. We are recommending that Council allow us to expend these funds for that purpose.

Vice Chairman Talbert made the motion and Councilwoman Kennion seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

12. Consideration of approval to transfer \$28,000 of unspent funds from the County Council Contingency account into a Recreation Facility Escrow account.

Vice Chairman Talbert: I will ask Administrator Caddell to discuss this with us.

Administrator Caddell: Council currently has a balance of \$28,000 in this year's Contingency Account. That money must be expended by June 30<sup>th</sup>. Since Council has expressed in the Strategic Plan that expands County Recreational opportunities is important to it. We recommend transferring the \$28,000 into an escrow account such that it could be used to further those plans. The usage of those funds would still be by Council's vote. This decision takes the time limit off of the expenditure of the funds but still uses those funds for recreational purposes going forward.

Vice Chairman Talbert: Question or comments from Council.

Hearing none. Councilman Moody made the motion and Councilwoman Ireland seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

13. Consideration of approval to solicit bids for the repair and improvement of the approximately 1500 square foot building located at 312 Penn St. formerly used by the Boy Scouts.

Vice Chairman Talbert: I will ask Administrator Caddell to discuss this with us.

Administrator Caddell: The Boy Scout Hut is located on Penn Street, adjacent to H. Griffith's post. It is a concrete block construction, rectangular-shaped building. It is a very simple construction building that consists of a bathroom, kitchenette, and a storage closet on one end. But the open space of the building lends itself to multiple uses whether it is rentals or recreation activities. The building is in disrepair and extremely dated. It would need wiring, new sheetrock, and a new roof. But yet it is a county-owned facility that is well situated for recreation or rental. There is significant property surrounding it for parking or a playground, or an outdoor shelter. Given that Council has expressed an interest in recreation in the Strategic Plan, the staff is simply recommending obtaining estimates to bring this building up-to-date so it may be used for these purposes for Council's information. Then, you could make a decision as to whether you would like to go forward. But, the difficulty in estimating construction right now on a staff level is the way costs have gone. We feel it would be prudent to actually put it out for bid and get legitimate numbers rather than budget numbers for your consideration.

Vice Chairman Talbert: Questions or concerns from Council.

Councilwoman Ireland: Is there heat and air in the hut?

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Administrator Caddell: There is a through-the-wall unit. It had air conditioning and then there were wall-mounted, I think electric heaters.

Hart Clark: It has your classic window unit going through the wall for air conditioning and then it has 220-amp heaters spaced all the way around the building for heat.

Administrator Caddell: They would have to be completely replaced with a heat pump or a mini split-type unit. We could have this quoted with options to make it basic for functional capability. Then with the option to make it better. Those are the things that Council could entertain using their various funding opportunities to pay for the renovations. But, without the basic knowledge of what the cost may be, we are not at the starting point.

Councilwoman Ireland: I like that we are looking at this because as you mentioned in our Strategic Plan, we did put recreation, specifically passive for the underserved demographic in our County. I think this building could very well be utilized for that. I am excited that we are looking at this.

Councilman Moody: You could also look at like the Sweetwater Community Center by renting it out in that nature.

Administrator Caddell: While that is correct, it would not have that historic character as a block building.

Councilman Moody: But it is someplace closer.

Administrator Caddell: It is a place where you can have baby showers, recreation classes for adults and youth, and recreational games such as bingo.

Vice Chairman Talbert: Any questions or comments from Council? Administrator Caddell, I know we have talked about this earlier and you mentioned the recreation like Councilwoman Ireland indicated that we noted the need for more recreational activities for the citizens in the County can go. So, if this could get off the ground, I think it would be great for Edgefield County citizens.

Councilwoman Ireland: I would love to see the dance classes again.

Administrator Caddell: Many of those things that were in existence just several years ago are not right now. And, the communities are either growing or it is not.

Councilwoman Ireland: That is right. The Legion Hut offered that service for a long time for the dance classes. If we have that, maybe we can get a teacher to come and teach. This building will have heat and air. It was not so much the case then. It was kind of questionable.

Vice Chairman Talbert: What do I hear in regard to a motion?

Councilman Moody made the motion and Councilwoman Kennion seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**Comments from the Public**

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Vice Chairman Talbert opened this public comment period. Since there were no speakers, Vice Chairman Talbert closed this public comment period

**Report By County Council Members**

Councilman Moody: I just wanted to bring this out to the public who are listening or watching about the Convenience Centers being used by outside residents on the Aiken County, Sweetwater end. Administrator Caddell and Hart Clark have been working with the Litter Control Officer Randy Doran to perform spot checks down there. They are gathering facts to see how we want to proceed with this concern. I just wanted everybody to know that we are in the process of trying to do something right, wrong, or indifferent. We are trying and with the help of the Sheriff, I am sure we can come up with an ordinance dealing with fines. We are doing something!

**County Administrator's Report**

1. LEC – The walls are actually going up as we speak. It is great to see there have been months of watching them dig footings and drudge through the mud. The shape of the components of a building is coming up. The contractor continues to catch up from previous rain delays. He is not there yet, but things are progressing.
2. County Council Chambers – We are in the process of closing on this building. The next time we meet here, we will actually own this building.
3. Barton Road – We are closing on this property later this week.
4. Upper Savannah Council – We have a grant meeting for the \$950,000 grant that will help to fund the Barton Road project. I would like the public to know that these funds with help to deal with the flooding issues on Barton Road.
5. Soccer Field – The soccer field drainage project is progressing. The last of the drains are being installed this week. There will be a little cleanup next week, and then it will be released to the Town of Edgefield to do the top dressing of the field. They already have the sand, so this should happen rather quickly. I am confident that soccer will be played in the fall on that field. I would like to recognize Mr. Hudson for donating over \$10,000 of drainage material that he had remaining from his past employment. He donated quality products to be used for the drainage system on the field. The field will be covered with clay, it's going to be a little boggy. But it will not have standing water. I think at the end of this project, we should honor him in some way for what he has done to help our county and that will be coming up.
6. Assessor's Office – We have three new employees that have been in the Assessor's Office for a couple of months. County Planner, April Morgan continues to train them on their positions and what is needed. It is hard to explain the level of concern for the backlog that the office had. It was hard to fill the positions that were needed to support that office. Well, we did and I received a report from April Morgan that in two months' time eliminated 95% of the backlog. We are going to get ahead and there will be no more falling behind on reassessments. We are very proud of them and April Morgan for stepping up.

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I would like to thank Joe Simpson for working so hard to get this meal prepared to honor Ms. Arlene Traxler. Joe has a special place in his heart for Ms. Arlene and he wanted to do this for her. He was not asked but volunteered to do this. We appreciate the relationship that employees develop here and look out for one another.

**Comments by County Council Chairman**

The report was given by Administrator Caddell on behalf of Chairman Campbell in light of Chairman Campbell's absence due to business travel.

County Council Meeting – The first Tuesday of July is July 4<sup>th</sup>, Independence Day. We will not have a Council meeting that day. The next County Council meeting will be July 11, 2023, the second Tuesday of the month. On the first Tuesday of August, two Council members and I will be at the Association of Counties meeting. So, we will have that meeting on August 8, 2023.

Vice Chairman Talbert: I thank you Administrator Caddell for all the work you do in the County. We definitely appreciate it. That is less work for us to have to do when you stay on top of everything.

**Adjourn**

Vice Chairman Talbert: Since we have no other business to conduct, can I get a motion to adjourn?

Councilwoman Kennion made the motion and Councilwoman Ireland seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The County Council meeting adjourned at 7:03 P.M.

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**Dean Campbell, Council Chairman**

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