

EDGEFIELD COUNTY COUNCIL

March 5, 2024

6:00 PM

County Council Chambers

The Edgefield County Council held its regular meeting at 6:00 P.M. Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 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
- Albert Talbert, Vice Chairman
- Tiffani Ireland, Councilwoman (attending via phone call)
- 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
- Andrew Marine, County Attorney

Chairman Campbell called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Chairman Campbell acknowledged Councilwoman Ireland attending electronically, via phone call. Throughout these minutes, Councilwoman Ireland will be asked for her vote. The invocation was given by Minister Aretha Eubanks of the Chalk Hill Baptist Church.

**Approval of Agenda**

Chairman Campbell recommended they move New Business number one and number two, both of which are resolutions, to right after the approval of the minutes. Councilman Talbert made the motion, and Councilwoman Kennion seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**Guest Speaker**

Robert Benfield, Director of Insurance Services, SCAC: When we talk about County government many times, we hear negative connotations. But I want you to know there are so many positive things that go in the background that nobody ever sees. It is my pleasure and privilege tonight to recognize you all for doing something outstanding. Risk Management by definition is trying to keep the bad stuff from happening. The goal of a county is to protect its greatest asset, which is its people. Then follow up with your resources. You have a truly successful risk management culture in your county. You are saving lives and saving money. I am here tonight to recognize you for doing something outstanding. We have 41 counties in our worker's compensation trust. You have been one for many years. Every year, we review the loss runs from all our members, how many employees are being hurt, and we say okay, you were forecast to have X number of injuries. If you had what you expected to have, it is called one. Your average if you have more injuries than you were supposed to have, that is not good. You get penalized for it. But if you have less people getting hurt than you were supposed to, then it is a positive. There is something called an experienced modifier which says okay, we take that times your premium which you are

paying for your insurance premium. For the last five years, Edgefield County's experienced modifier has been less than one, which means you are saving the taxpayers of your county money. This year was your best year ever. So, over our 41 counties in South Carolina, you had the third lowest experienced modifier across the state. Your experienced modifier is 0.58, which means you had a 42% savings over what you were forecast to have. This year alone, you saved the taxpayers of your county over \$140,000. You are saving lives by having less claims. That is the definition of a truly good risk management program. I want to thank Lee Ann Anderson for all her support, but I know she can't do it all alone. It takes her, the department heads, the County Administrator, and the County Council to support her and everything that goes together. This is truly a team effort. It is my privilege tonight to award Edgefield County with the Third-Best Modifier in the State of South Carolina. The award was presented to Lee Ann Anderson, and a picture was taken.

### **Special Recognition**

Chairman Campbell acknowledged that we will be recognizing our Employee of the Quarter. I will ask Administrator Caddell to go through that one for us.

Administrator Caddell: We received this Employee of the Quarter nomination from the Probate Office. I would like to read the submittal.

I would like to nominate Melanie Smith to the Employee Appreciation Committee.

Melanie is the Associate Probate Judge and is easily the most knowledgeable Associate Probate Judge in the state. She has been serving in this position for over 25 years. Over these years, Melanie has gained valuable experience that has enabled her to learn the law and how to perform the duties of her office.

Melanie has several attributes. First, she is extremely dependable. She is always on time to work and she does what she says she is going to do. Next, she works extremely well with the public. She knows how to respond to anyone who comes into this office. Many times, the general public are distressed because of the death of a loved one and sometimes they are rude because they do not know what they need to do or why they need to do it. But Melanie knows how to treat each one with kindness and respect. Next, as I said earlier, Melanie has come to know the law very well or she knows how to look up the law. This is very valuable to her position. Next, Melanie is our office manager in addition to her other duties. She plans our budget, keeps up with supplies, and all the other duties associated with this position. She is absolutely the best employee that you can expect out of a person.

Chairman Campbell: Congratulations and let's give her a hand.

Associate Probate Judge Smith was presented with a gift for her recognition as Employee of the Quarter and a picture was taken with the County Council.

Probate Judge Anderson thanked the County Council and Administrator Caddell for starting the Employee Recognition Committee because we have a lot of good employees working for this county.

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**Approval of Minutes**

Chairman Campbell asked the Council for approval of the January 29, 2024, Intergovernmental Meeting minutes. Councilman Moody made the motion, and Councilwoman Kennion seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**Resolution**

Chairman Campbell: Next are our two resolutions that we moved up from New Business. Chairman Campbell read Resolution 23-24-0004, recognizing Paramedic Casey Harrell and EMT Brian Davenport for their heroic actions in rescuing four people from a burning vehicle. After reading the resolution, Chairman Campbell asked the Council for a motion to approve this resolution. Councilwoman Kennion made the motion, and Councilman Moody seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The Council presented the resolution and a picture was taken. The second resolution will be taken up later since Mr. Beason hasn't arrived.

**Comments from the Public**

There being no comments from the public during this comment period, Chairman Campbell closed this public comment period.

**Reports**

The chairman asked the Council if they had any questions or comments on the reports. There were none.

**Public Hearing**

Chairman Campbell opens the Public Hearing on Ordinance 23-24-001, amending section 24-286 C 1 Planning Commission Terms of Office. No one spoke from the public. Chairman Campbell closed the Public Hearing.

**Consent Agenda**

Chairman Campbell: Council as you see the Consent Agenda, is there anybody that we need to move to New Business to discuss? Hearing none, is there a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented? Councilman Talbert made the motion, and Councilman Moody seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Old Business**

1. Edgefield County Strategic Vision 2027 first-year progress report. The administrator has a presentation for us. I am going to turn that over to him.

Administrator Caddell gave his presentation on the Edgefield County Strategic Vision 2027.

Administrator Caddell said he began the process in late 2022 of putting together a strategic vision, which is a five-year plan. We had meetings with the Council and we had a list of goals for the county. I think we have had about 10 goals, and Council skilled it down to eight.

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Probably in January or February of last year, the Council prioritized those goals in order of which items we should address first. As we go through this presentation, you will see that more action has been accomplished on items one through five than on items five through eight.

### Edgefield County Strategic Vision 2027

#### Goal 1: Enhance Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

1. Determine ways to reduce response times
  - Improve radio communication for EMS (2023) The Emergency Radio System will be complete in the next few months.
  - Add a Quick Response Vehicle (QRV) (2023) Added Summer 2023.
  - Based on response time, determine the most appropriate location(s) for an additional station using call history (2023) Based on call volume, the area around the Industrial Park is ideal.
2. Study an expansion of facilities
  - Order an additional ambulance to have four in service (18-24 months for delivery) (2023) One new and one remount ordered.
  - Identify property for a new substation (2024) Moseley Architects is working on this.
  - Develop funding sources for construction of a new substation (2024) We are studying this issue and will make a recommendation soon.
  - Construct a new substation if feasible (2025-2027)
3. Attract and retain Paramedics and EMTs
  - Based on study, implement changes to retain EMS employees (2023) In 2023 we increased pay grades for Paramedics.
  - Ensure that pay and benefits are competitive with adjacent counties (Saluda, McCormick) (2023) We are currently competitive.

#### Goal 2: Support the Edgefield County Government Work Force

1. Pay
  - Implement a step pay program such that all employees have a predictable path of advancement within their pay band (2023) Established in 2023
  - Employ a county-wide employee evaluation (2024) Expected May 2024
  - Establish a merit pay system whereby the COLA an employee receives is scalable based on the evaluation system (2024) Expected July 2024
2. Benefits
  - Evaluate the employee contribution to our insurance programs and adjust if necessary to attract and retain employees (2023-2024) The County now pays 100% of individual employee health insurance premiums.
  - Expand the employee health fair to increase services (2023) Additional tests were offered in 2023. Need to increase participation!
3. Employee morale
  - Implement an employee of the quarter program (2023) Done!

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- Implement a safety award for at risk employees (2024) **We will propose a program in this year's budget.**
- Hold an end-of-year employee appreciation lunch (continuous) **Done!**
- Recognize retiring employees at Council meetings. **Employees with 20 or more years are recognized.**

Goal 3: Support for Fire Departments

1. Provide training stipends
  - Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) Certification (2023) **Completed**
  - Firefighter I Certification (2023 – 2024) **In progress**
  - Firefighter II Certification (2024 – 2025)
2. Fire Marshall
  - Establish the position of an in-house Fire Marshall (existing staff member within Building and Planning) 2023 – 2024) **On hold**
  - Conduct voluntary audits of each department (yearly) **On hold**
3. Grant Assistance
  - Emergency Management will solicit grants in support of the Fire Departments (yearly) **One received/one applied for.**
  - Emergency Management will assist the Fire Departments with grant reimbursement and reporting (yearly) **Ongoing.**

Goal 4: Economic Development

1. Property Acquisition
  - Determine the feasibility of obtaining additional property in the Industrial Park (revisit yearly) **We are pursuing property now!**
  - Obtain appraisals for parcels of interest not subject to price limitations (2023) **This was done in 2023!**
  - See if other county properties would be useful to add to the inventory for industrial sites.
2. Continue Partnerships to provide for industrial/retail growth. **Continuing!**
  - Western SC Economic Development Partnership – **Ongoing**
  - Retail Strategies – **Budgeted for 2024/2025**
3. Industrial Site Development
  - Explore projects to make the Industrial Park more appealing to potential industries (Yearly)
  - Site work to create a building pad that would reduce time of construction for a potential industry (2024) **On hold until property is obtained.**
  - Continuously evaluate the need for road/utility expansion.

Goal 5: Improve Recreation Programs

1. Youth Sports
  - Expand Offerings - **Fall Girls' Softball added 2023.**

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- Provide a code of conduct to coaches and parents - Fall 2024
  - Expand staff for the Recreation Department – 2024/2025 Budget
  - Identify suitable properties for County ballfields – Star Rd at Rabbit Trail
  - Establish a funding mechanism for a County Park (2024 – 2025) - LWCF Grant applied for!
  - Develop a County Recreation Park Plan (2025)
2. Adult Recreation
- Expand opportunities for Pickleball in partnership with the Town of Edgefield (2023-2024) – We will revisit in the Fall.
  - Consider construction of and pursue funding for Pickleball Courts (2024-2026) – Planned for Star Rd at Rabbit Tr.
  - Consider construction fo and pursue funding for indoor usable/rentable spaces (2025-2027) – This will be ongoing, but we are adding Scout Park with rental space this year.
3. Passive Recreation
- Explore connecting County owned property to the Ten Governors Trail (2024-2025) – The Town of Edgefield has applied for a grant to connect the Ten Governors Trail to our proposed park on Star Rd. We will assist with land clearing.
  - Explore public interest for connectivity to North Augusta’s Greenway Trail (2024-2027) – No action.
  - Explore construction of a trail in the Merriweather area if connection to the Greenway is not feasible (2024-2027) – No action.
4. Partnerships
- Explore opportunities for County recreation with the City of North Augusta (2024)
  - Town of Edgefield – Soccer, Basketball, and Baseball  
Town of Johnston – Softball
  - Evaluate the potential for establishing a Family YMCA in Edgefield County (2024) – Awaiting a property purchase to approach the YMCA.

#### Goal 6: Residential Development

1. Partners
- Joint meeting with County Council and the Planning Commission to maintain effective communication (Yearly) – Each January
  - Solicit input from developers and citizens on issues from permitting to development regulations (Yearly)
  - Consider the expansion of highway overlays (2023-2024) – Under consideration by the Planning Commission
2. User Fees
- Explore the use of user fees to raise revenues for Public Safety service expansion (2023-2024) – Committee formed in 2023, Council authorized studies 2024.

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- Implement user fees in areas where necessary to expand Public Safety Services (2024) – Based on study results, possibly Fall 2024.
- Consider localized user fees to bring several roads up to County standards (2023-2024) – One road has been identified for this purpose.

#### Goal 7: Solid Waste

##### 1. Convenience Centers

- Evaluate expansion needs of convenience centers located in high growth areas – Restmaster Lane and Hwy 25 South (2023)
- Add staff (2023-2024)
- Based on the evaluation, add operation hours, expand days open, or increase facility size (2024-2025)

Each of these items are being evaluated for the 2024/2025 budget.

##### 2. Funding

- Evaluate the adequacy of current funding given cost increases from Three Rivers Landfill and Tri-County Solid Waste (2023-2024) Awaiting budget requests from Tri-County Solid Waste.
- Propose and implement a plan to adequately fund the solid waste program (2025-2027)

#### Goal 8: County-owned Buildings

1. County Jail – in disrepair
2. Sheriff's Office – structurally sound, large parking area
3. Courthouse Annex – not ADA compliant
4. Magistrates Building – former stables for a blacksmith shop across the street, non-load bearing interior walls, suitable for a large open area for meeting/rental space

Preliminary walk-throughs have been done. We are considering space needs for County departments.

Chairman Campbell: First, thank you for the update. Council, do you have any questions or anything for the Administrator? Hearing none. I appreciate that update and there is nothing to vote on. It is just an update on something we have already passed. Council, if there is no objection, I would like to go back, as we have talked about, to the resolution on the agenda as Mr. Beason has arrived. We want to take up what is item two under New Business. This is a consideration of approval of a resolution 23-24-0005, recognizing Luther Beason for his long and distinguished career. After reading the resolution, Chairman Campbell asked the Council for a motion to approve this resolution. Councilwoman Ireland made the motion, and Councilman Talbert seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Council presented the resolution to Mr. Luther Beason and a picture was taken. Thank you, Council for letting us take that out of order. So, returning back to Old Business.

2. Consideration of approval of the Second Reading of Ordinance 23-24-001, to amend section 24-286 c 1 Planning Commission Terms of Office.

Chairman Campbell: I will ask Administrator Caddell if anything else we need to know.

Administrator Caddell: Nothing to add.

Chairman Campbell: Council, I will remind you that this is the second reading, and we are going to take up the third reading in one week at our Budget Workshop. That way we can do our Planning Commission appointments and reappointments at the April meeting. Questions or comments from the Council. Hearing none. Councilman Talbert made the motion, and Councilman Moody seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

### **New Business**

1. Consideration approval of Resolution 23-24-0004, recognizing paramedic Casey Harrell and EMT Brian Davenport for their heroic actions in rescuing four people from a burning vehicle, was moved to earlier on the agenda.

2. Consideration of approval of Resolution 23-24-0005, recognizing Luther Beason for his long and distinguished career, was moved to earlier on the agenda.

3. Consideration of approval to support Northside Fire Department in obtaining an American Firefighter grant for a new tanker truck.

Chairman Campbell: I will ask Administrator Caddell if he will walk us through this one.

Administrator Caddell: As mentioned in the Strategic Plan, our EMA Director, Foster Crowder has assisted Northside in applying for a grant that would pay for 95% of the cost of a tanker truck. Should they receive the grant, they would need to borrow funds from the County to initially pay for the truck. This would be a very short-term loan of no more than a few weeks. We would have a contractual arrangement to protect us. We do recommend approval. This would be a big deal for the Northside Fire Department.

Chairman Campbell: They cannot get the grant until it has been paid for?

Administrator Caddell: No, there would be no money to change hands unless they did get approved for the grant. If they get it, they would need to immediately send the funds in for the truck.

Chairman Campbell: But if they got it, we would know they have the grant.

Administrator Caddell: That is correct. We are just pre-empting, hoping, and anticipating that they will receive the grant. It is looking pretty good, so we need to get this out of the way so we can help them.

Chairman Campbell: Questions or comments from the Council. Hearing none. Councilman Talbert made the motion, and Councilman Moody seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Consideration of approval of the Edgefield County Hazard Mitigation Plan.



Chairman Campbell: I will turn it over to Administrator Caddell for explanation.

Administrator Caddell: This Hazard Mitigation Plan outlines existing and potential hazards and plans to mitigate or respond to identified hazards. Having an approved plan allows the County to apply for mitigation grants such as FEMA grants. Typically, they are fairly large grant awards if you are fortunate enough to receive one. I would like to thank EMA Director Foster Crowder, who did a great job putting this together as you have to obtain a lot of information from different departments. This is a good situation for Edgefield County to be in because we have some needs, especially in terms of failing culverts in the county. This will open us up to applying for grants to help us with these types of concerns.

Chairman Campbell: Questions or comments from the Council. Hearing none. Councilwoman Kennion made the motion, and Councilman Moody seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Consideration of approval to adjust all previous Council-approved Sheriff's Office starting salaries upward to the next appropriate pay band.

Chairman Campbell: I will ask Administrator Caddell if he would explain this one.

Administrator Caddell: In the past, the Council approved minimum starting pay for Deputies, Dispatchers, and Detention Officers. This was a good thing, but it could have a consequence now that we have a step program. These officers can be hired at a higher wage, but they are further along in the band, so it will restrict the number of step raises they would get. We want to correspond the band with the actual minimum pay. Essentially, we would raise the grade for the employee. For most of the employees, it would not result in increased pay immediately, but it would allow them more step increases in the future. This adjustment will allow all Sheriff's Office salaries to conform with the pay band system. This will not result in an across-the-board pay increase for all Sheriff's Office employees but will make most eligible for our step pay increases. We recommend moving each employee based on their wage to the next available grade.

Chairman Campbell: By doing this, is this something we need to continue to do every year, or do this kind of solve that problem going forward?

Administrator Caddell: This would completely solve the problem. This would put them in the same band system as every other County employee. It cuts no one's pay. It increases the pay of a few, where their pay is slightly under the next band. It puts them in a good position to then have step increases going forward. For example, if it stays as is, our step system is designed to get an employee from minimum to midpoint in eight years. We have employees who have only been here two years, but they are almost at the midpoint because they are in the wrong band. They were hired in higher up in the band. We are trying to put them in the appropriate pay band. As I said, the Council gave increases but did so without respect to the band because it did not matter back then. We did not have a step program. But now we do, and this would allow a new Deputy to be hired in at a minimum, which will be slightly more than the Council's pre-approved minimum. Then they could benefit from the eight subsequent increases.

Chairman Campbell: Questions or comments from the Council.

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Councilwoman Kennion: My question would be about the band. Would this bring us closer to our neighboring counties in pay? I know we cannot compare in pay, but when we hire a new Deputy, will this keep the new hire on a better pay scale than our neighbor Saluda or McCormick if I was to say?

Administrator Caddell: This does not solve pay equity compared to Aiken County. It does not affect that. But we do not want to artificially limit future wage growth. Because of the way it is now, they will fall behind faster. We have to solve the wage issue in Edgefield County. We are trying with the cost-of-living increases which move the wage bands. But this would make it worse if we did not adjust the grades. We certainly do not want to make it worse. The Sheriff does not need us to make the wages worse going forward.

Chairman Campbell: Questions or comments from the Council. Hearing none. Councilwoman Kennion made the motion, and Councilman Talbert seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Consideration of approval of First Reading of Ordinance 23-24-002, to enter into a Multi-County Industrial Park (MCIP) agreement with Aiken County for Project Charge.

Chairman Campbell: I will ask Administrator Caddell to tell us about this ordinance.

Administrator Caddell: This ordinance is to establish a Multi-County Industrial Park with Aiken County. The park will be located in Aiken County. The agreement to create a Multi-County Industrial Park will allow for the industry in the part to receive certain incentives from the state and county. It will not involve Edgefield County creating a new industrial park requiring investment from Edgefield County. Edgefield County will receive 1% of the Fee-In-Lieu of Taxes.

Chairman Campbell: Questions or comments from the Council. Hearing none. Councilman Moody made the motion, and Councilwoman Kennion seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Consideration of approval to award the contract to Bravo Fence in the amount of \$58,000 for the construction of one new baseball field fence and the replacement of two outfield fences.

Chairman Campbell: I will ask Administrator Caddell to tell us about these bids.

Administrator Caddell: This fence will be for the baseball field under renovation at the Bettis Park of Cut Through Road, which is the dirt road. This is the ballfield adjacent to the school. This field requires all new fencing due to the old fencing being in disrepair. This quote also funds two other outfield fences on existing ballfields. Currently, these ballfields have movable fencing which has allowed visitors to move and drive onto the fields. This will solve that problem as they will be permanent. The fence will be paid for out of the \$800,000 state appropriation that was allocated specifically for Bettis Park.

Chairman Campbell: Questions or comments from the Council. Hearing none. Councilwoman Kennion made the motion, and Councilman Talbert seconded. Motion passes unanimously.

### **Comments from the Public**

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There being no comments from the public during this comment period, Chairman Campbell closed this public comment period.

### **Report By County Council Members**

Councilman Moody: I would like to thank Sheriff Rowland, Major Ramey, and Investigator Morgan. I was a victim of identity theft and financial fraud a few months back. I told Major Ramey, and he put me in touch with Investigator Morgan. Two months after that, they arrested the person. She goes to court next Wednesday. So, keep your debit card close to you when you go to Captain D's drive-up window.

### **County Administrator's Report**

#### 1. Park Updates

*Bettis* – The Press box has been completed at the football field; the bathroom building is almost complete at the baseball field.

*Scout Park* – The new playground has been installed

*Sweetwater Community Center* – The lot has been cleared for the playground and the parking lot has been re-stripped.

*Star Rd.* – Our grant application to establish a park at Star rd. and Rabbit trail has received preapproval by the National Park service. All environmental studies and public notice requirements are complete.

2. AT&T has received a grant from the SC Broadband Office for Edgefield County. We hope to meet with them next week to get specifics on their project.
3. We have 13 staff members signed up to take Office training at Piedmont Tech. The first call was today.
4. March 12 we will hold our Budget Workshop at 6pm. We will also have third reading of the PC term changes.

Radio update by Assistant Administrator

Assistant Administrator Clark: On the radios, we are a little bit behind schedule. Two of our tower sites were not prepared for this new system. One site did not have a building, and Augusta Communications has remedied that. Then the Trenton site does not have fiber. They have all the equipment, and permitting. Everything is ready. We have already paid Carolina Connect. Gary Stooksbury with Aiken Electric Co-Op is spearheading that for us so that will get done quickly. But when that tower site gets plugged in, that is when Augusta Communications can invite their third-party testing agency to come and calibrate the system and make sure that it is actually going to do what it is supposed to do. They have the ability to go ahead and work on the other three towers, but that third-party testing agency from my understanding cannot do its part unless all of the towers are connected and communicating with dispatch. We have to wait on the fiber crew to finish up with the last tower before that can happen. But I do know they have all of the equipment and I have issued all of the final permits today. They can move forward and we look for them to be finished in a couple of months. Reg Williams is the one who is going to go and take those trees down at Sweetwater. He does a lot for the county so if you see him, thank him for his work. On the broadband, I attended their next batch of funding meeting. They are not

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going to let counties participate directly. We cannot recommend the use of the funds; we cannot apply for the funds or really have anything to do with the funds. The ISP's actually have to be the one to apply for the grants. We can do like we did last time and write a letter prioritizing up to four ISP's that can apply for the grant. We can give them a priority list of who we want to see get the grants.

Chairman Campbell: Questions or comments from the Council.

Councilwoman Kennion: Assistant Administrator Clark, what road was that in Trenton?

Assistant Administrator Clark: Reynolds Road is where it is located. The fiber is not that far away, only a couple of miles. But they have to work out lease agreements with Dominion Energy and all sorts of things to get the fiber down there. But that will also pickup a few people who will have access to fiber who did not before in that area because we are paying to carry you down there.

Chairman Campbell: Questions or comments from the Council. Hearing none.

**Comments by County Council Chairman**

I appreciate the Administrator going over the Strategic Vision tonight. It's good for us to ensure we are following what we unanimously agreed was important to do for the next several years.

As you heard from the Administrator, we have a Budget Workshop in one week. During the Budget Workshop, we will hear from the Administrator and Finance Committee on the recommendations for the draft 2024-25 budget. No votes will be taken on the budget at the workshop. This workshop is an opportunity for County Council to ask questions or make proposals to the Administrator before Council officially takes it up for first reading at the regularly scheduled April meeting.

Everyone got their budget notebooks tonight, so you have a week to study the 145 pages of the budget, but there is a memo from the Administrator that goes through the changes. You can ask questions of him anytime during the next week or at the meeting, of course.

**Adjourn**

Council, there being no other business to conduct tonight, I'd entertain a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Kennion made the motion, and Councilman Talbert seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The County Council Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.

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Dean Campbell, Council Chairman

ATTEST



Aretha Eubanks, Clerk to Council