

Board of Supervisors, April 10, 2023

A meeting of the Board of Supervisors was held in and for the County of Mecklenburg on April 10, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors meeting room of the Goode Bank Building.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Glenn Barbour, Chairman; Jim Jennings; David Brankley; Andy Hargrove; Charles Jones; Claudia Lundy; Tom Tanner; Sterling Wilkinson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Brenda Blackwell

The Chairman called the meeting to order.

Those present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon a motion of Mr. Jones, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2023, meeting. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

Upon a motion of Mrs. Lundy, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda as presented. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

A public hearing was held on a proposed donation from Mecklenburg County, Virginia of approximately 3.66 acres in fee simple, and certain easements, to Roanoke River Service Authority, which property rights are needed by RRSA in connection with the operation and maintenance of the prison site tank farm situate on TMP 110000-02-A1, PR 39127 in Boydton Magisterial District.

There was no public comment.

The public hearing was closed.

Upon a motion of Mr. Tanner, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

RESOLUTION

RE: DONATION OF PROPERTY RIGHTS TO ROANOKE RIVER SERVICE AUTHORITY

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mecklenburg County Board of Supervisors, after conducting a duly advertised public hearing as required by Virginia Code Section 15.2-1800, that the deed of gift conveying the County's interest in a 3.66 acres parcel, one utility easement and two access easements to Roanoke River Service Authority, which property rights are needed by RRSA in connection with the operation and maintenance of the prison site tank farm situate on TMP 110000-02-A1, PR 39127 in Boydton Magisterial District, is approved in the form this day presented or as hereafter modified by the County Attorney, and that the Board Chair or Vice Chair or County Administrator, any of whom may act alone, is authorized to execute said deed of gift and other transfer documents, if any, on behalf of the County.

A public hearing was held on the proposed donation from Mecklenburg County, Virginia of all property rights owned by Mecklenburg County, which include ownership of some parcels in fee simple, and include many utility easements, to Roanoke River Service Authority, which property rights are needed by RRSA in connection with the operation and maintenance of the Highway 92 water line and related facilities.

There was no public comment.

The public hearing was closed.

Upon a motion of Mr. Tanner, the Board voted unanimously to adopt the following resolution. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

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A public hearing was held on the application by Scott Rogers for a special exemption permit to allow for a RV & Boat Storage approximately fifty (50) sites. This property, identified as County Tax Number 126000-A-059, zoned Agricultural and is located on the east side of Hwy 15 and approximately one (1) of a mile north of its intersection with River Oak Drive, Election District 8, County of Mecklenburg. Reference Deed Book B & P 441-758 and Will Book WF-12-33.

There was no public input.

The public hearing was closed.

Upon a motion of Mr. Brankley, the Board voted unanimously to approve the application by Scott Rogers for a special exception permit to allow for a RV & Boat Storage of approximately fifty (50) sites with the conditions listed below. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

1. The county has approved these types of applications in the past.
2. It will not be detrimental to the public welfare.
3. It will not affect adversely the health or safety of persons or the neighborhood of the purposed use.

4. The entrance will be required to meet VDOT requirements for a commercial entrance.
5. The owner will submit an erosion & sediment control plan for approval before any construction begins.
6. The owner will be responsible for posting bonds for the erosion and sediment control measures and local county land permit.
7. Any area that may be seen by the public will be screened from the public's view.

A public hearing was held on the application by Brittany Padgett (Alfred Moore) to rezone from Residential R2- to Agricultural to allow for personal livestock on the property. This property identified as County Tax Number 126000-10-002, zoned as Residential R-2 is located on the east side of Hwy 701(Irwin Road), approximately 1/10 mile of its intersection with Highway Forty-Nine, Election District 8, County of Mecklenburg. Reference Deed Book LR-16-787.

Ms. Padgett was present to answer questions.

Upon a motion of Mr. Brankley, the Board voted unanimously to approve the application by Ms. Brittany Padgett (Alfred Moore) to rezone from Residential R2 – Agricultural to allow for personal livestock on the property with the conditions listed below. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

1. The re-zoning would allow for housing personal poultry on the property.
2. It will not be detrimental to the public welfare.
3. It will not affect adversely the health or safety of persons or the neighborhood for the proposed use.
4. The property owner shall be responsible for poultry activity on the property.

Chairman Barbour stated that action was needed on an items from the February Board of Supervisors meeting.

Application by the Mecklenburg County Planning Commission to amend Article 20, Solar Facilities section 20.5 application, and procedures, to add the following:

20.5 Application and Procedures

(b) Comprehensive Plan Review- A 15.2-2232, review by the county is required by the Code of Virginia (15.2-2232) for utility-scale solar facilities. This code provision provides for a review by the Planning Commission of public utility facility proposals to determine if their general or approximate location, character and extent are substantially in accord with the Comprehensive Plan or part thereof. Should the Comprehensive Plan review be denied by the Planning Commission or the Board of Supervisors, the applicant will not be able to re-apply for another review on any of the same parcels of land for twelve (12) months from the date of the denial.

Upon a motion of Mr. Tanner, the Board voted unanimously to deny the amendment to Article 20, Solar Facilities section 20.5 application, and procedures. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

A public hearing was held on the application for Mecklenburg County Planning Commission to amend the Article 1, Definition of Terms, section 1-60, to add the following:

Section 1-60 Comprehensive Plan: Means the current comprehensive plan of Mecklenburg County as amended and adopted by the county in accordance with the Code of Virginia (15.2-2232). Any 15.2-2232 application that has been denied by the Planning Commission or the Board of Supervisors may not re-apply for a new review within one (1) year period from the date of denial pertaining to those parcels of land.

Upon a motion of Mr. Jones, the Board voted unanimously to decline to adopt the amendment to Article 1, Definition of Terms, section 1-60. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

Under Public Comment:

Ms. Melissa Hartman addressed the Board on behalf of the Lake Gaston Food Pantry. She thanked Mr. Tanner for assisting them in finding additional funding to help over the past year. She advised that the numbers have doubled in families and individuals needing assistance. Ms. Hartman urged the Board to consider a contribution or partnership that would allow them to continue helping those in need.

Mr. Kevin Smith, Assistant VDOT Resident Engineer addressed the Board with a monthly update. Work will begin in April on the roads in the Six-Year Plan.

Ms. Beth Englehorn, Executive Director of Southside Behavioral Health presented an annual report of Southside Behavioral Health. She gave the Board an update and overview of the agency, the services that are offered and the large number of citizens they serve. She thanked the Board for their continued support and contributions to the agency.

Ms. Debbie Osborne, EMS Captain updated the Board on the County assuming Emergency Medical Services for Chase City and Clarksville Rescue Squads beginning on July 1, 2023.

The Agricultural Development Committee met on Thursday, March 16, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Dogwood Room, 313 Franklin Street South Hill, Virginia.

Members Present: Jim Jennings; Chairman, David Brankley, Sterling Wilkinson, Taylor Clarke, Bill McBride, Chris Jones, Mark Warren, Irving Matthews, Chuck Nelson, Chris Reamy

Members Absent: Mark Moody, Brian Calhoun, Mark Brankley

Also Present: Andy Hargrove, Claudia Lundy, Brenda Blackwell, Avery Layne, Emily Oberholtzer, Martha Overton, Davie Harris, Wayne Carter, Judy Sheffield, Assistant County Administrator; Alex Gottschalk, Deputy County Administrator; Jenny Whittemore, Executive Assistant; Susan Kyte, Reporter

Chairman Jennings called the meeting to order.

Mr. Hargrove gave an invocation.

Mrs. Martha Overton gave an update from the Farm Service Agency and the current programs that are available, with grower statistics over the years.

Mr. Davie Harris provided an update from the Natural Resources Conservation Service and the programs that they have available.

Mr. Avery Layne with the Lake Country Soil and Water Conservation District introduced Ms. Emily Oberholtzer and then discussed the current programs they have within the County. A large part of his duties is reviewing and approving the E & S Plans for commercial and industrial projects.

Mr. Taylor Clarke gave a report on the activities of the Virginia Cooperative Extension, especially how they have increased since COVID restrictions have been relaxed.

Mr. Alex Gottschalk provided the Committee with a Legislative update from the General Assembly Session, highlighting any Bills that could affect farmers and natural resources in our County.

Mr. Bill McBride had some questions regarding industrial expansion, specifically transmission line expansions.

Mr. Brankley gave the Committee an update from the Agricultural Committee of the new Middle/High School.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The Property Committee met on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisor's Meeting Room, Boydton, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Jennings, Chairman; Claudia Lundy, Andy Hargrove, Sterling Wilkinson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Brenda Blackwell

OTHERS PRESENT: Glenn Barbour, David Brankley, Charles Jones, Tom Tanner, Wayne Carter, County Administrator; Judy Sheffield, Assistant County Administrator; Alex Gottschalk, Deputy County Administrator

The Chairman called the meeting to order.

Upon motion of Mr. Hargrove, the Committee voted unanimously to convene in Closed Session pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A), (3). Supervisors Jennings, Hargrove, Lundy, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

Upon motion of Mrs. Lundy, the Committee voted unanimously to go back into Open Session. Supervisors Jennings, Hargrove, Lundy, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

Upon motion of Mr. Hargrove, the Committee voted to adopt the following Certification Resolution. Supervisors Jennings, Hargrove, Lundy, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

WHEREAS, the Mecklenburg County Board of Supervisors convened a Closed Session on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provision of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the Mecklenburg County Board of Supervisors that such Closed Session was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mecklenburg County Board of Supervisors hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the Closed Session to which this certification resolution applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the Closed Session were heard, discussed or considered by the Mecklenburg County Board of Supervisors.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The Budget & Finance Committee met on Tuesday, April 4, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Meeting Room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Jennings, Chairman; David Brankley; Charles Jones; Tom Tanner; Sterling Wilkinson

ALSO PRESENT: Glenn Barbour; Claudia Lundy; Andy Hargrove; Wayne Carter, County Administrator; Judy Sheffield, Assistant County Administrator; Alex Gottschalk, Deputy County Administrator; Ed Taylor, Commissioner of Revenue; Sandra Langford, Treasurer

The Chairman called the meeting to order.

Mr. Carter advised that the Department of Social Services is requesting a 2023 supplemental appropriation to resolve capital expenditures intended for FY 2022. Two fleet vehicles were ordered and expensed during the 2022 fiscal year but were undelivered and unpurchased.

Upon a motion of Mr. Wilkinson, the Committee unanimously recommends a supplemental appropriation of \$81,370.00 to the Department of Social Services budget.

Mr. Carter advised that the Sheriff's Office has received a check in the amount of \$1,565.70 from VACORP to cover damages to Sheriff Vehicles.

Upon a motion of Mr. Tanner, the Committee unanimously recommends a supplemental appropriation of \$1,565.70 to the Sheriff's Office line-item Vehicle Repairs.

Mr. Gottschalk advised the Board that the Sheriff's Office is eligible to receive a grant from DCJS as part of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) in the amount of \$331,000.00.

Upon a motion of Mr. Brankley, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend a supplemental appropriation of \$331,000.00 for the DCJS ARPA Law Enforcement Equipment Grant to the Sheriff's Office 2022-2023 budget.

Mr. Gottschalk advised the Board that Mecklenburg County has received two grants from the Virginia Tourism Authority. The County was allocated \$180,000.00 from the ARPA Tourism Recovery Program, \$87,500 of which is anticipated to be spent this fiscal year. Additionally, the County received \$10,000 from the ARPA Sports Marketing Incentive Program to support the 2023 Bassmaster Opens in Clarksville.

Upon a motion of Mr. Tanner, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend a supplemental appropriation of \$97,500 to the FY 2022-2023 Tourism budget.

Mr. Gottschalk presented the FY 2023-2024 recommended Budget to the Committee.

He reviewed the total income versus the list of projects the Board has approved to be funded and those recommended by staff. He then reviewed any additional requests or changes to the General Fund Budget outside of the 7% cost of living adjustment. Finally, he reviewed the Capital Improvement Plan and the long-term cost of the Board's future projects.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Upon a motion of Mr. Jennings, the Board voted unanimously to approve the above-mentioned supplemental appropriations recommended by the Budget and Finance Committee report. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

The Secondary Roads Committee met on Monday, April 10, 2023, at 8:30 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors Conference Room.

Members present: David Brankley, Chairman; Claudia Lundy, Sterling Wilkinson

Members absent: Brenda Blackwell

Also present: Charles Jones; Andy Hargrove; Tom Tanner; Wayne Carter, County Administrator; Judy Sheffield, Assistant County Administrator; Alex Gottschalk, Deputy County Administrator; Kevin Smith, VDOT Assistant Resident Engineer

The Chairman called the meeting to order.

Mr. Smith reviewed the upcoming funding for the Six-Year Plan with the Committee. Currently there is an additional \$1,185,910.00 in funding for FY 2029. This will pave approximately 5.5 miles of roadways. The Committee is adding from the road count and the 2006 Six-Year Plan.

Upon a motion of Mr. Wilkinson, the Committee voted unanimously to advertise the addition of the following roads to the plan, alternating from the 2006 plan and the highest road count list.

Route 666 – Twin Cedar Road

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Route 829 – Wilson-Newton Road

Route 704 – Lambert Road

Route 727 – Henrico Road

Route 739 – Luck Circle

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Upon a motion of Mr. Brankley, the Board voted unanimously to advertise the addition of the above-mentioned roads to the Six-Year Plan. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote ‘aye’.

The Economic Development Committee met on Monday, April 10, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board of Supervisor’s Meeting Room, Boydton, Virginia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Jones, Chairman; Tom Tanner; Jim Jennings, Sterling Wilkinson

OTHERS PRESENT: Glenn Barbour; David Brankley; Claudia Lundy; Andy Hargrove; Wayne Carter, County Administrator; Alex Gottschalk, Deputy County Administrator

The Chairman called the meeting to order.

Mr. Carter reviewed the bid received for the Roanoke Campus Water Supply Contract B-1.0 MG Ground Storage Tank. One bid was received from Mid Atlantic Storage at a cost of \$1,094,334.00.

Upon a motion of Mr. Tanner, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend approving the bid received from Mid Atlantic Storage at a cost of \$1,094,334.00.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Upon a motion of Mr. Tanner, the Board voted unanimously to approve the bid received from Mid Atlantic Storage at a cost of \$1,094,334.00. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote ‘aye’.

The Emergency Services Committee met on Monday, April 10, 2023, at 9:15 a.m. in the Board of Supervisors Conference Room.

Members Present: Andy Hargrove; Chairman, Tom Tanner, Charles Jones

Members Absent: Brenda Blackwell

Also Present: Glenn Barbour, Sterling Wilkinson, Claudia Lundy, David Brankley, Jim Jennings, Ben Duncan, Wayne Carter, County Administrator; Judy Sheffield, Assistant County Administrator; Alex Gottschalk, Deputy County Administrator

The Chairman called the meeting to order.

The Committee reviewed a new policy and procedure regarding warrants and protective orders. With a full-time Magistrate at the South Hill Police Department, clarification was needed to the policy.

Upon a motion of Mr. Jones, the Committee unanimously recommends approval of the changes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Upon a motion of Mr. Hargrove, the Board voted unanimously to approve the new policy and procedure regarding warrants and protective orders. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

Mr. Alex Gottschalk presented an overview of the Recommended FY 2023-2024 Budget. He thanked the Department Heads for their due diligence in providing him with requests and proposals in a timely manner. He thanked Treasurer Sandra Langford, Commissioner Ed Taylor and his staff, County Administrator Wayne Carter, and Deputy County Administrator Judy Sheffield. He provided specific and special recognition to Gina Mull, Jenny Whittemore, and particularly, Nancy Rowe, who provided compilation assistance and served as essential sounding boards throughout this budget process.

Mr. Gottschalk began his presentation by pointing out some greater activity that has been going on. Each year the United States Census Bureau released its population estimates for the year. It is a measure of growth year after year. He pointed out how extraordinary activity has been in the County. In one year, we have had not only a population increase, but have had almost 500 people move into the County according to the estimate. He stated this shows how much interest is in Mecklenburg County.

Mr. Gottschalk stated that there are no tax increases in the recommended budget. He stated that vehicle evaluations have begun to come down and taxpayers should see the decrease in their personal property taxes.

The proposed General Fund Budget is \$134.9 million, County activities is \$70.8 million and \$64.1 million is pass through money that the County is holding on behalf of another party. The total gross budget is \$302.7 million, when you deduct out double counting and transfer to other funds, the final number for the net budget is \$264.4 million. Mr. Gottschalk highlighted the top activities of the budget. Next, he highlighted Annual General Fund expenditure adjustments and where they are going. One significant change in the proposed budget is to the health insurance contribution. Currently, the County pays 80% across the Board for employees. Staff is proposing the Board pay 100% of subscriber costs for all employees and 85% of non-employee subscriber cost in hopes to recruit and retain quality employees. Mr. Gottschalk reviewed the CIP Year 1 highlights which includes the Clarksville Elementary School Construction, Park View and Bluestone Middle Schools Demolition, Further Convenience Center Work, Court Technology, Goode Bank Building Expansion, 911 Equipment, EMS Equipment, 2 Animal Control Trucks, Waste Disposal Truck, Public Safety Facilities Needs Study, and a Comprehensive Plan Revision.

Mr. Gottschalk reviewed the proposed budget schedule, stating that the next step would be a motion to advertise the proposed budget and hold a public hearing.

Upon a motion of Mr. Tanner, the Board voted unanimously to include in the proposed budget, that the Board will pay 100 percent of all employees insurance and pay 85 percent of all plans. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

Upon a motion of Mrs. Lundy, the Board voted unanimously to advertise a public hearing on the proposed FY 2023-2024 budget to be held on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

Under the County Administrator's report:

Mr. Carter thanked Mr. Alex Gottschalk and other staff for their work in developing the budget. Mr. Carter advised that the building report indicates commercial construction is helping to hold our fees up. Zoning and E & S permits are down some from last month. The County was able to adopt out approximately 70 percent of the animals picked up. Mr. Carter advised that it is disturbing to see that Sheriff's report shows about 8 percent of the tickets written were to individuals that didn't have a license.

Under the Chairman's report:

Mrs. Winona Proffitt has resigned from the Southside Behavioral Health Board.

Upon a motion of Mr. Jennings, the Board voted unanimously to appoint Mrs. Tammy Mull to serve a term on the Southside Behavioral Health Board. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

Chairman Barbour advised that the term of Mrs. Frances Clark on the Southside Behavioral Health Board will expire June 30, 2023, and she will be ineligible for re-appointment. The Board of Supervisors will need to find a replacement.

Upon a motion of Mr. Jennings, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar, as it relates to the March bill's list. Supervisors Barbour, Jennings, Brankley, Hargrove, Jones, Lundy, Tanner, and Wilkinson vote 'aye'.

Under Board Member matters:

Mr. Hargrove stated that he appreciates the work on the budget by staff, he is grateful to serve on the Board and stated that the Convenience Center opening in his area has gone smooth.

Mr. Wilkinson stated that he is thankful for Southside Behavioral Health and the services they offer the community. Thanked Ms. Osborne for doing a great job getting the new EMS Agency up and running. He stated the Ag Development Meeting was a success, he thanked everyone for

coming and Mr. Gottschalk for his presentation. He next commended Mr. Gottschalk for his dedication to the recommended budget and thanked staff for assisting him.

Mr. Jones thanked Ms. Debbie Osborne for her work on getting the EMS Agency licensed and staffed. Mr. Jones stated that he was looking forward to the Clarksville Elementary project getting started. Mr. Jones asked about the timeline for the Bluestone Middle School Convenience Center. Mr. Jones stated that with the recommended budget including a 7% cost of living increase, on top of the County paying 100% of the employee's insurance, this is wonderful for the employees.

Mr. Brankley thanked Ms. Osborne for her dedication to EMS and thanked Mr. Gottschalk and staff for the budget. Mr. Brankley highlighted that the County is growing, and he believes that Mr. Nichols' vision for the new school is one of the reasons. He then stated that industry in Mecklenburg County is growing and changing, and he believes that the Comprehensive Plan needs to be revised.

Mrs. Lundy thanked Ms. Englehorn and Ms. Osborne for their leadership with Southside Behavioral Health and Mecklenburg EMS. She next thanked Ms. Sheffield for her work with the Health Insurance Renewal. She stated that Mr. Brankley and the committee are doing a great job with the Six-Year Plan and thanked Mr. Gottschalk and staff for the budget presentation and its easy-to-understand layout.

Mr. Tanner thanked Mr. Gottschalk and staff for the hard work on the budget and stated that Mecklenburg County is extremely blessed. He stated that Southside Behavioral Health offers many important services to our community. Mr. Tanner stated that VDOT has done some litter pick-up and it looks good. Mr. Tanner informed everyone that it is National Telecommunicator's Week and encouraged everyone to stop by and thank them for being the voice in the dark. Mr. Tanner stated how important Agriculture is in the County and thanked the local growers.

Mr. Jennings said the Mecklenburg County has great staff and leadership. Mr. Jennings thanked Mr. Gottschalk for a great job on presenting the budget.

Mr. Barbour thanked staff for all the hard work on the budget. He highlighted the growth in South Hill and the excitement of the community. He wished Sheriff Hawkins a Happy Birthday.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, April 26, 2023, unless sooner called to order by the Chairman.