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YVEDDI hearing tops board agenda

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DOBSON — A public hearing on an application for state transportation money highlights the brief agenda when the Surry County Board of Commissioners convenes for its regularly scheduled meeting Monday night.

The meeting is scheduled to get under way at 6 p.m., in the Commissioners Meeting Room of the Surry County Government Center in Dobson.

Following the meeting opening and an open forum for public comment, the board is expected to hear from Jeff Cockerham, transportation director for the Yadkin Valley Economic Development District, Inc. (YVEDDI).

Cockerham will address the board on a proposed application for \$192,934 in state funding through the Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP).

The funding, if approved following the hearing and application, will be used to augment YVEDDI's existing funding for transportation services in the region and will be distributed to the Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance Program (\$74,192), the Employment Transportation Assistance Program (\$19,275), and the Rural General Public Program (\$99,467).

Following the public hearing, the board is expected to hear from William James, of energy performance contractor Johnson Controls, who will update the board on the savings the county has received as a result of energy conservation measures. The program is part of a multi-year initiative to reduce energy costs and increase savings and efficiency in the county, according to Board Chair Eddie Harris.

During the meeting, the board also is expected to recognize Kester Sink for his service to the county.

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