

**TOWN OF RANLO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MONTHLY
MAY 12TH 2022 MEETING
RANLO TOWN HALL
1624 SPENCER MOUNTAIN ROAD, RANLO, NORTH CAROLINA 28054
THURSDAY, MAY 12TH, 2022 7:00 PM**

MINUTES

Governing Body Present:

Mayor Black
Mayor Pro-Tem Cordell
Commissioner Hay
Commissioner Fowler
Commissioner Morton
Commissioner Moore

Staff Present:

Town Manager	Jonathan Blanton
Town Clerk	Sarah Rowan
Finance Director	Amanda Ellzey

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mayor Black called the meeting to order and Town Clerk Sarah Rowan conducted the roll call. All members were present.

II. Adoption of the Agenda

Commissioner Fowler motioned to adopt the agenda for the May monthly meeting. Mayor Pro-Tem Cordell seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0.

III. Comments from Attendees

Mr. Cecil Jackson, Tax Director of the Gaston County Tax Office presented the Board with an overview of what to expect from the 2023 Reevaluation. Information about the reevaluation can be found at the Ranlo Town Hall or at https://www.gastongov.com/2023_real_property_reappraisal/.

IV. Approval of the Board of Commissioners' Special March 31st Budget Meeting Minutes

Mayor Pro-Tem Cordell motioned to approve the Board of Commissioners' Special March 31st Budget Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0.

V. Review of Residential and Non-Residential Garbage Rates

Requested by Commissioner Morton on behalf of Ranlo Freewill
Requested to table until a later date

VI. Update on Summer Recreational Activities and Mill Town Nights

The Board of Commissioners discussed the summer recreational activities led by Commissioner Morton and Kara Hay. Commissioner Morton suggested the idea of a Summer Recreation Intern.

VII. Consideration of a Proposal from the Young Bulls Sports Organization

Darrius Lampley presented the Board with information about the Young Bulls Sports Organization and its mission. He requested the use of the field for the organization's kids to play football.

Mayor Pro-Tem Cordell motioned to offer the use of the field and the concession stand on an in-kind sponsorship. Commissioner Hay seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0.

The Board reached a consensus for the Town Manager to create a season special event agreement for Mr. Lampley to sign.

VIII. Public Legislative Hearing to Consider the Adoption of the Town's 2040 Land Use Ordinance

Commissioner Fowler motioned to open the Public Legislative Hearing to Consider the Adoption of the Town's 2040 Land Use Ordinance. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0.

Commissioner Fowler commended the Planning Board for their work with the Land Use Ordinance.

Mayor Pro-Tem Cordell noted the statistics of cost-burdened citizens in Ranlo and hopes that the statistics will not be forgotten moving forward.

Mayor Pro-Tem Cordell motioned to close the Public Legislative Hearing to Consider the Adoption of the Town's 2040 Land Use Ordinance. Commissioner Fowler seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0.

IX. Consideration of the Town's 2040 Land Use Ordinance

Commissioner Fowler motioned to adopt the Town's 2040 Land Use Ordinance. Mayor Pro-Tem Cordell seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0.

X. Presentation of the Town Manager's Budget Message

The Town Manager gave a formal presentation on the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget. The Budget Message in full can be found on the town website.

A Public Hearing for the Budget will be held on June 9th, 2022 at 7:00 PM during the Monthly June Board of Commissioners meeting. The Budget is available for public review at Town Hall and on the town website.

XI. Town Manager's Report

The Town Manager announced that the Town Hall will be closed on May 30th in observance of Memorial Day. Garbage pick-up will be on a one-day delay.

The Town Manager notified the Board that three large grants have been submitted to the Department of Environmental Quality.

Senior Brunch Bingo will be held at the Lodge on May 20th from 10-1.

The Town Manager informed the Board that the property of 111 acres known as Lewis Farms is on the market and he has received interest from several developers looking to come to Ranlo.

XII. Comments from the Mayor

Mayor Black informed the Board about the long-term timeline for Spencer Mountain Road from the Department of Transportation.

XIII. Comments from the Board of Commissioners

Mayor Pro-Tem Cordell read a message from a Gastonia Council Member regarding the reasoning for increased water rates that affect Ranlo. She noted that she would like to give the residential rate breathing room by adjusting the industrial rate.

XIV. Adjournment

Mayor Pro-Tem Cordell motioned to adjourn the monthly May meeting. Commissioner Morton seconded the motion. The vote was 5-0.

ATTESTED TO:

Mayor Lynn Black

Recorder and transcriber of the minutes for the Monthly May 12th 2022 Meeting