TOWN OF RANLO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MONTHLY AUGUST 8TH 2024 MEETING

RANLO LODGE

2000 SPENCER MOUNTAIN ROAD, RANLO, NORTH CAROLINA 28054

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8th, 2024 6:00 PM

MINUTES

Governing Body Present

Mayor Lynn Black

Mayor Pro-Tem Doug Moore

Commissioner Robin Conner

Commissioner Ronnie Laws

Commissioner Effie Locklear

Commissioner Wade Morton

Staff Present

Town Manager Charlie Hansen

Public Works Director Jason Green

Police Chief Jimmy Lunsford

Finance Director Reagan Day

Asst. Public Works Director Charles Harper

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mayor Lynn Black called the meeting to order, and the Town Manager conducted the roll call. Mayor Lynn Black led the invocation

II. Adoption to Amend August 8th 2024 Agenda

Commissioner Moore motioned to adapt the agenda for the regular Aug meeting by adding session (5) to Action Item #14. Commissioner Laws seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote.

III. Adoption of the Amended August 8th 2024 Agenda

Mayor Lynn Black called for a motion to adopt the agenda for the regular Amended August meeting. Commissioner Moore motioned to adopt the agenda for the regular July meeting. Commissioner Locklear seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote.

IV. Swearing in of Officer Saladi Mohamed

Ranlo's Town Manager Mr. Hansen led the Swearing of Town of Ranlo's new police officer Saladi Mohamed and welcomed him to the police department and town.

V. Swearing in of Reserve Officer Dell Green

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VI. Comments from Attendees

There were no comments from attendees.

Old Business:

VII. Adoption of the July 18th, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes of the Board

Commissioner Laws called for a motion to adopt the July 18th, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes of the Board. Commissioner Morton seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote.

VIII. Presentation of the Monthly Financial Expense Report

The Town Manager went over the new Monthly Financial Expense Report noting that this month's report goes over the monthly and year-to-date spending for the Town. The manager highlighted Page 1 of the report gives an overall look at all the Town's accounts and associated interests accrued in each of the accounts. Page two of the document shows each department account within the general operating budget and the percentage each account has expended compared to how far along the town is throughout the fiscal year.

IX. Consideration Budget Amendment FY2425.4

The Town Manager advised that this budget amendment refers to grant money the town has received for our K-9 unit meant to purchase a second K-9 for the Police Department. Mr. Hansen explained that it was for internal bookkeeping to show that the \$7,500 received in grant money is now going to be expended in the K-9 supply line item.

Commissioner Moore motioned to approve the budget amendment. Commissioner Laws seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

X. Discussion on Speedbump study in Spencer Heights

The Town Manager advised that as discussed in last board meeting was brought up to look at Spencer Heights neighborhood and if the area would warrant some speedbumps.

The town manager goes on to advised that on the map in each commissioner's packet there is a yellow bar on Wicklow (that is an existing speedbump) ad then the two red bars are the ones that we as a staff are proposing after looking at study conducted on the speeding in neighborhood. The town manager states that if you're going from Mitchem down Wicklow you hit that first speed bump and then it is downhill and very steep. Hence why the two proposed speedbumps are at bottom of hill.

The Town manager states the proposed speedbump after you take a left onto Sunriver would be priority #1 and the one at the bottom of Wicklow be Priority two per his recommendation. The Town manager requested that prior to approving the two recommendations of new speedbumps that he go himself to the Spencer Heights meeting and have a discussion with residents as well to receive their feedback.

Mayor Lynn Black requested the town manager to get the price on how much it is to put each individual speedbump in place.

XI. Town Manager's Report

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In exciting news, the YMCA is offering Soccer at the Ranlo ballfield. Registration is already going on and pretty filled up. They have already about 500 kids signed up with about 115 of them going to be at the Ranlo ballfield. Everything was good with the ballfield lighting. Will have practices Monday/Tuesday with ballgames on Saturday starting in two weeks.

Commissioner Locklear asked if the Concession stand would be open during these times. The town manager explained that before she was sworn in that it was voted on and passed to have the concession stand open and that Commissioner Morton and Laws would run it.

The town manager went on to say that National Night out was a big success and wanted to recognize everyone would have a part in it including Chief Lunsford, Ranlo Fire Department, Pam Moore and Assistant Chief Brian Holland and everyone else who was involved. The town manager also thanked the community partners who donated and showed support.

The town manager advised that staff was hard at work today with the storm and wanted to thank the Police Department, Public Works Department, and Fire Department who allowed for the town to run our EOC out of their station due to the power loss at Town Hall. Mr. Hansen also wanted to thank Gaston County for their help as well.

XII. Comments from the Mayor

Comments from the Mayor and Board

Mayor Lynn Black took a minute to discuss MPO meetings and talked about the Town of Ranlo prioritizing to get future MPO fundings for Town projects.

XIII. Comments from the Board

Commissioner Connor states we have an Olympian here in the Town of Ranlo and is so excited for Katlyn. Commissioner Conner goes on to state how she would like to make sure Ranlo goes big and celebrate such an accomplishment

Commission Conner also wanted to thank Doug Moore and the Fire department for the past year of letting her friend host her breast cancer support group at their station.

Commissioner Conner advised that if anyone was available this coming Sunday to pray for the school at Warlick Academy. She also mentions coming up with a program to help the students learn small life skills.

XIV. Adoption to move to Closed Session

Commissioner Moore motioned to go into closed session discussion. Commissioner Locklear seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote.

XV. Consideration of Closed Session Related Items

Commissioner Conner made a motion to extend an offer to Reagan Day for the Town Clerk Position. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote.

XVI. Adjournment

Commissioner Moore mas a motion to adjourn meeting. Commissioner Locklear seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote.