

**TOWN OF RANLO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MONTHLY OCTOBER 10TH 2024
MEETING**

**TOWN HALL
1825 SPENCER MOUNTAIN ROAD, RANLO, NORTH CAROLINA 28054**

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11th, 2024 7:00 PM

MINUTES

Governing Body Present

Mayor Pro-Tem Doug Moore

Commissioner Robin Conner

Commissioner Ronnie Laws

Commissioner Effie Locklear

Commissioner Wade Morton

Staff Present

Town Manager Charlie Hansen

Police Chief Jimmy Lunsford

Finance Director Reagan Day

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Mayor Pro-Tem Doug Moore called the meeting to order, and the Town Manager conducted the roll call. Commissioner Effie Locklear led the invocation

II. Adoption of the October 11th, 2024, Agenda

Mayor Pro-Tem Doug Moore called for a motion to adopt the agenda for the regular October meeting. Commissioner Locklear motioned to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Laws seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote.

III. Recognition of the Ranlo Church of God Leadership

The Town Manager advised will be waiting till next month's board meeting for the recognition due to the church not being about to be present at this meeting.

IV. Comments from Attendees

There were no comments from Attendees

Old Business:

V. Adoption of September 12th, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes of the Board

Commissioner Morton called for a motion to adopt the September 12th, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes of the Board. Commissioner Locklear seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote.

VI. Adoption of September 12th, 2024, Closed Session Meeting Minutes of the Board

Commissioner Laws called for a motion to adopt the September 12th, 2024, Closed Session Meeting Minutes of the Board. Commissioner Laws seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote.

VII. Town Hall Update from Staff

The Town Manager took a moment to note that things do look different for those watching at home or who are unaware that the Ranlo Town Hall had to be moved to a new location at 1825 Spencer Mountain Rd. Ranlo NC, 28054 for safety reasons. He goes on to state that we are very fortunate to be here tonight in a new safe space thanks to Ranlo's staff, especially the Public Works and Police Department. The Town Manager advised that the previous building was extremely unsafe and there were no simple/easy fixes that could have been made to make it safe and is proud to do the right and safe thing even if it was a difficult couple of weeks making the move.

VIII. Staff Update on Spencer Heights Speedbumps

The Town Manager advised that the temporary speedbump was placed in Spencer Heights towards the top of the road and will evaluate at the next Board meeting to see if a Permanent Speedbump should be placed and will do the same process for the second speedbump at Sunriver.

New Business:

IX. Consideration of South Fork Collective- John Searby, Executive Director Catawba Riverkeeper

Mr. John Searby gave a brief description of what the South Fork Collective is as he walked through the website and asked the board to consider joining the South Fork Collective as there was no financial commitment and only a requirement to attend a quarterly meeting. Commissioner Morton called for a motion for the Town of Ranlo to join the South Fork Collective. Commissioner Locklear seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote.

X. 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.

XI. Consideration of Budget Amendment 2425.5

The Town Manager advised that this budget amendment was just internal bookkeeping to take donated money that was meant for the Town's K9 into the K9 line item. Commissioner Conner made the motion to adopt budget amendment 2425.5. Commissioner Laws seconded the vote. The motion passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote.

XII. Consideration of Budget Amendment 2425.6

The Town Manager advised that this budget amendment was just internal bookkeeping to take donated money that was meant for Kaylyn Brown that was made to the Town of Ranlo into a line item to write Kaylyn Brown check of the donations received.

Commissioner Locklear made the motion to adopt budget amendment 2425.6.
Commissioner Laws seconded the vote. The motion passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote.

XIII. Consideration of Budget Amendment 2425.7

The Town Manager Advised that this budget amendment is a result of a board vote in a closed session about a dispute with a previous Town employee. Commissioner Laws made the motion to adopt budget amendment 2425.7. Commissioner Locklear seconded the vote. The motion passed with a unanimous 4-0 vote.

XIV. LGC Meeting and Findings

The Town Manager was excited to announce that Mrs. Day and himself had a meeting with the leader of LGC to go over why the Town is still on UAL. The Town Manager went over the scorecard that was made by LGC that simplifies how it was decided for the Town of Ranlo to stay on UAL. The Town Manager wanted to clarify that it was based on the ending of June 2023 and not June of 2024. He goes on to point out the main reason the Town got flagged to be on UAL went was a timing issue on receiving money from the state that the Town had to upfront for a state funded project and did not receive reimbursement till after June 2023. This made it look like the Town was spending a large amount of money when it wasn't due to when the snapshot was taken for scorecard.

XV. Approval of technical updated budget

The Town Manager advised that the LGC also advised the budget to be revised and reapproved. Currently the Town budgeted for surplus in multiple accounts that were not in a line item so it made the budget appear to be unbalanced. The Town Manager stated nothing of the budget has changed except for moving the money for surplus into a contingency line item to have a balance budget and asked the board to approve the updated budget.

Other Business:

XVI. Town Manager's Report

The Town Manager wanted to thank the Ranlo Police Department and all the other volunteers that went up and helped out with the Helen storm. It takes a lot of courage to do that proud to see how much of an impact it had of them going to help with emergency services.

Faith and Blue start tomorrow and goes throughout the weekend. Please visit the Town of Ranlo website and our Ranlo PD Facebook page to see the full schedule and encourage everyone to come out and experience it.

XVII. Police Report

Chief Lunsford presented the monthly police report to the board of the types of calls run throughout the month. He also spoke a little bit about his experience in volunteering to help with Helen storm and wanted to take a min to thank the campground that hosted the volunteers so they would have a place to sleep.

XVIII. Comments from the Mayor

Mayor was not present

XIX. Comments from the Board

Commissioner Moore advised he was one of the volunteers to help out through Ranlo Fire department in regard to Helen storm. He speaks on how devastating it was to witness the aftermath of the storm and to keep the residence and volunteers in your prayers as they are still there working.

Commissioner Conner stated how proud she is of Ranlo PD for sending officers when we are just a small town ourselves and don't have many. It really speaks volumes about the Town of Ranlo and its willingness to help our neighbors and flexibility in everyone's schedules to make sure everything is still taking care of.

XX. Adjournment

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

ATTESTED TO:

Mayor Lynn Black

