## TOWN OF RANLO BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MONTHLY MEETING

## RANLO TOWN HALL

# 1825 SPENCER MOUNTAIN ROAD, RANLO, NORTH CAROLINA 28054 THURSDAY, JULY 10TH, 2025

# **MINUTES**

# **Governing Body Present**

Mayor Lynn Black

Mayor Pro-Tem Doug Moore

Commissioner Ronnie Laws

Commissioner Effie Locklear

Commissioner Wade Morton

Commissioner Robin Conner

# **Staff Present**

Town Manager Charlie Hansen

Public Works Director Charles Harper

Police Chief Jimmy Lunsford

Finance Director Reagan Day

Lawyer Nick Tosco

#### I. Call to Order

Mayor Lynn Black called the meeting to order and lead the invocation

## II. Roll Call

The Town Manager conducted the roll call. All the Commissioners were present.

# III. Adoption of the July 10th, Agenda

Mayor Lynn Black called for a motion to adopt the agenda for July meeting. Commissioner Laws motioned to adopt the agenda. Commissioner Locklear seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous 5-0 vote.

#### IV. Comments from Attendees

No Comments from Attendees

## Old Business:

# V. Adoption of June 12th, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes of the Board

Mayor Lynn Black called for a motion to adopt June 12th, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes of the Board. Mayor Pro-Tem Moore made the motion. Commissioner Laws seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous 5-0 vote.

#### VI. Staff Update on Digital Sign and Monument Sign

The Town Manager advised that the digital sign is now up and running as well as the monument sign being installed today

#### New Business:

## VII. Presentation of the Yearly Financial Expense Report

The Town Manager went over the new Yearly Financial Expense Report noting that this report goes over 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.

## VIII. Update on RFQ- Town Hall and Police Station

The Town of Ranlo advised that the RFQ has ended. He advised that after going through all the applicants and discussion with staff and commissioners found that a group called Mosley submitted the strongest RFQ application. The Town Manager would recommend the Board award the RFQ to Mosley, if so then he will start the negotiations and contract price with them. The Mayor called for a motion to award the RFQ for new town hall/police station to Mosley. Mayor Pro-Tem Moore made the motion. Commissioner Laws seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### IX. Concession Stand/Park Restroom Discussion

The Town Manager asked our Public Works Director to come and speak on this discussion item. The Public works Director went on to state the issues the Town is having regarding the Opening/Closing of the restrooms as well as people using the bathrooms for a variety of things such as housing and constant vandalism. He suggested a seasonal part time employee on the weekend at \$18 to police and keep the park safe. Mayor Pro-Tem Moore made the motion to hire part-time employee on weekends. Commissioner Laws seconded the motion. The motion passed Unanimously. Discussion was then had on adding AEDS to Community Areas as well as the part-time person being trained to give Narcan.

#### X. Ranlo Truck Traffic Code Text Amendment

Nick Tosco our Town Lawyer, advised that per the last meeting he went back and looked at the Town Ordinance and recommended that the Town if voted to move forward with the no 18 wheelers past certain areas that the Board would allow staff to post signage stating the same and advised to make it a non-criminal offense. Mayor Pro-Tem made the motion to pass the amended ordinance to non-criminal. Commissioner Locklear seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

# XI. Town Alert System Update

The Town Manager provided the Board with a system for the Town to consider to put into use called Up Ahead. This system is an Alert System that the residents can sign up for to receive regarding a variety of things such as utility shut offs, events, etc. Mayor Pro-Tem Moore made a motion to implement the alert system. Commissioner Morton seconded the motion. The motion passed with one opposed.

## XII. Social Media Analytics Update

The Town Manager presented a presentation of our Social Media Analytics that our Social Media Manager put together for the Board to show how beneficial the updated

social media has been since she has taken over posting quality content. Ms. Russell will continue to give the Board a Quarterly report of analytics.

## XIII. Consideration of Budget Amendments 2526.1-2526.4

The Town manager went over each budget amendment within action items 13-16. Mayor Pro-Tem Moore Motion to approve budget amendments 2526.1-2526.4. Commissioner Laws seconded the motion. The Motion passed unanimously 5-0 vote.

## XIV. Town Manager Overview of Milltown Night- July Event

The Town Manager did a quick overview of the Milltown Night Event in July. There will be inflatables, free hotdogs, as well as a Car & Motorcycle show and end with Fireworks.

#### Other Business:

# XV. Town Manager's Report

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The Town Manager wanted to make sure everyone was all set for the professional portraits that's upcoming. He goes on to state that the Demolition of old Town Hall is still moving forward, and plans on having permits secured by end of week. Reminder that a fence will be going up around the building soon and that he will let the Board know when the Demolition is going to take place in case anyone wants to watch. A pile of Bricks will be pulled to the side from the Demolition to give to current or past Commissioners/Mayors who wants one as a keepsake. Questions regarding the Post office box location was asked. The Town Manager advised that unfortunately have not heard back on the replacement of the current box, but that they did advise that the possibility of Ranlo getting our own Post office was extremely unlikely. August the 5<sup>th</sup> is National Night Out and hope everyone can come out. A new round of Milltown Nights shirts is underway. The Board agree to do an assortment of colors for the shirts. The shirts will be sold for what it cost to make it, not to generate any revenue.

Public Works Director Charles Harper spoke to the board about how useful the new Vac Trailer has already been in the field and how it was used just the past week for a major water leak job and wanted to again thank the board for their support and investment. He goes on to state that the public works fleet has slowly been deteriorating and did a survey with current public works employees on what is needed and would help maintain our fleet. The answer was a mechanic/service truck that comes with a built-in air compressor and a crane. In-house maintenance has saved the town so much money especially this past year and would also be used for lift station repairs. He would like to ask the board if they would vote to purchase a service truck for about \$183,000 out of the Powell Bill Fund. Mayor Pro-Tem Moore made a motion to allow the purchase of the

service truck. Commissioner Conner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Police Chief Lunsford gave the monthly Chief Report to the Board on the different types of Police calls ran and what kind. He then gave a reminder for National Night Out coming up.

Code Enforcement Officer Steve Smith wanted to introduce himself and go over what code enforcement issues that have been worked on/completed since he has taken over this past month. He wanted to take a moment and bring up an issue with bad odor coming from truck containers and that he was able to communicate with the employees/employer to get the trucks moved to Lowell area instead to help with the smell. Mr. Smith goes on to explain that getting code enforcement signs to place in yards to let others know that this issue is already being worked on would benefit the town with knowing it is getting worked on. He also expressed wanting to bring back Yard of the Month because there are some amazing/beautiful yards and homes in Ranlo.

Ranlo Fire Chief Todd Lewis introduced himself in case anyone did not already know him. He states that he took over as Fire Chief in February and thought it would be great to give a Monthly Report to the Board/Community on the different types of fire department calls ran and the amount.

## XVI. Comments from the Mayor

The mayor had no comments.

#### XVII. Comments from the Board

Commissioner Conner mention wanted the Town to Host a Health Fair here in Ranlo with over 50 vendors at no charge to Ranlo and wanted to use the Ranlo Lodge is January 19<sup>th</sup> 2026. Mayor Pro-Tem Made a motion to reserve that date for Ranlo Lodge. There was no second. Motioned failed.

Commissioner Conner wanted to know about the Speedbump at Spencer Heights. The Public Works Director advised it would be getting place Next Monday.

## XVIII. Adjournment

Commissioner Locklear made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Laws seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous 5-0 vote.

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