

**TOWN OF RANLO
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING/BUDGET
MAY 19, 2014**

A Special Meeting of the Ranlo Board of Commissioners was held Monday, May 19, 2014 at the Ranlo Town Hall. The Ranlo Board consists of:

Mayor Steve Alexander

Commissioner Linda Rhyne
Commissioner Effie Locklear
Commissioner Jamey Jones
Commissioner Gail Tiderman
Commissioner Jamey Carver

Others Present:

Town Coordinator Charles Graham
Chief of Police Tim Anderson

Mayor Alexander called the meeting to order and Town Clerk Tesha Palmer called the roll. All were present except for Commissioner Locklear and Commissioner Jones who was absent at roll call.

Commissioner Rhyne gave the invocation.

1. Motion to Adopt Proposed Agenda (addition and/or deletions)

Mayor Alexander asked do I have a motion to accept proposed agenda. Commissioner Carver made motion to accept. Commissioner Tiderman seconded and it passed unanimously.

2. Budget Work Session

Mayor Alexander stated the floor is open for discussion; we are having a discussion on the budget for The Town of Ranlo.

Mr. Graham said, I spoke to most everybody except for Linda so let me just make this comment. I gave you a new proposed budget worksheet both revenue and expenditures. The reason why I gave you new ones, they have been one change since the one I distributed it had to do with last week. I finally got figures on our group insurance rates because of the delay in the mandates for Obama care we did not have a 30% increase, we had a 7% increase. So there was significant savings but I quickly used it, that's why I gave you a new sheet. In the current budget, we are running over in some of the state retirement and 401(k) line items. I took some of that money

and put it there and next year budget to avoid that and I took \$10,000 worth of savings in the general funds and created a line item under public works for street repairs, for the street repairs that we cannot pay out of Powell. We had never budgeted for those so I created a line I wanted to do that, that's where that money went for that savings. You will find all that it there.

Commissioner Rhyne said we definitely needed money for street repairs.

Mr. Graham said other than that, there has not been no other change, so I'm here to answer questions to see what other adjustments we need to make.

Commissioner Carver said my salary went into recreation correct? The salary I donated back.

Mr. Graham said it will. That's not reflected in the proposed budget at this point we have also got to make adjustment in the current year budget for that. I had a meeting with our auditors- Tesha and I did to figure out exactly how to do that. We are going to have to make some journal entries to correct this year's budget, and basically we will eliminate your salary and add that to a line item in recreation, probably in park repairs or something like that, because that's what you indicated you wanted to do. For next year's budget when we adopt the budget, we will simply reduce salaries by the amount that would be yours. And at that to that line item in recreation budget for next year and correct me if I'm explaining this wrong-since you were there Tesha. We can handle that in the actual ordinance when we adopt the budget. That's the way he said we should probably handle that. So I have not made that change yet. This is one of things we need to run by the board tonight and make sure that everybody's okay doing it that way.

Commissioner Carver asked Commissioner Tiderman how many checks have we received since we have been commissioners.

Commissioner Tiderman said five.

Commissioner what do we get paid I don't even know.

Town Clerk Tesha said you get paid \$90.00; it would be a total for this budget year, \$540.00 that we need to put in park/recreation out of your salary.

Mr. Graham stated we actually have a budget amendment form here for y'all to approve to do that. This one will require board approval so we've got it with us tonight. So we can go ahead and do it for this year and then when we adopt the budget I will work it in there for next year.

Commissioner Carver said okay

Mayor Alexander said he wanted to talk about the storm water. Can we touch on this today? I will be a meanie on this but we need to go back to what it originally was.

Commissioner Tiderman said excuse me did they cut that in half. Is that what they did?

Mayor Alexander said yes.

Commissioner Tiderman said okay sorry.

Mayor Alexander said we are going downhill. This is where we are using the funds. We can use this storm water fund where we can't use Powell bill money. We need to get this one back health because every year, it's losing money. A lot of these accounts we cannot lose money every year and expect the town to keep growing. Breaking even is not enough anymore we've got to put some money up in savings to do some infrastructure.

Mr. Graham said if you would look at this proposed budget you will see in the expenses what I budgeted is actually less than what we budgeted this year, but it is still \$50,000 at the \$0.90 storm water fee that we charge now. We only generate \$27,000 - \$28,000 in revenue. So were only generating half the cost associated with that fund. I did mentioned this briefly in the regular meeting that we can't do that, going forward, to come up with the \$50,000 that I proposed for next year. I appropriated fund out of fund balance and that fund will quickly get to low. We can't do that again. So we either have to do what you're suggesting Mayor or rework the budget entirely and take some of these expenses out of storm water and put in general fund where were just about as tight. But we got a do one or the other.

Mayor Alexander stated he strongly suggested that storm water but where was. We can't keep losing money. Our accounts have to stay solid for the benefit for the town in the future.

Commissioner Carver stated he would like to make a motion to raise the storm water fees back to the original amount of \$1.80 from \$.90. Commissioner Tiderman seconded and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Graham asked. We'll do this in the new budget right?

Yeses

Mr. Graham stated that he will go back with the proposed budget so that when we adopt the ordinance. I will project additional revenue in the new budget, and probably can if not reduce all reduce part of the fund that I appropriated. I won't increase expenditures unless I look at it and see that it's a real need, but I can reduce the amount of funds appropriated with this new revenue.

Chief Anderson stated he had a question in a revenue line item. I think it's probably a mistake in the police department there's zero dollars budgeted for maintenance/ repair auto without that we can't change oil, brakes...maintenance. I think this might be an oversight.

Mr. Graham said, you're right we will have to look at again I don't nowhere the funds got to because I know there was something there, but it balances so I got to figure out where it went but yes you're correct that is an oversight. I need to address that.

Commissioner Carver asked the chief if he could get a line item in the budget for GPS tracking systems in the cars.

Chief Anderson stated he is including it in the DCI/NCIC 10-510-0300. The cost is going to be very close. I am actually trying to coordinate with the city and county on a new world system simply because they provide that free of charge even though were not using the software we might use their-what I refer to as “donuts” on the trunk, which will save us in the long run. What I cut out of that line item was Allen network, which changed over to another network CJ Leagues. The state designed CJ leagues two years ago and by doing so it eliminated all costs associated with us looking up criminal information.

Commissioner Carver stated new world is a \$3360.00 license fee per year.

Chief Anderson said right we signed on that contract when we allowed them to put there box right here in the building. They run fiber optics to it, in agreement that we want be charged for it. We actually have their equipment in the Police Department. Without that they would be able to pull up and use their new world system to download their reports, incidents, arrest, citations and everything. So they’re already using our facility for that system so therefore, I don’t think it would be appropriate to be charged.

Commissioner Carver said okay thank you, I was just checking.

Commissioner Rhyne asked how much we are moving back to debt service for the police cars.

Chief Anderson stated just the payment that’s it.

Commissioner Tiderman asked how many more payments

Chief Anderson said 3-2 after July.

Commissioner Carver said 10-510-0980 Debt service/ police cars-you recommend nothing for next year?

Chief Anderson said that there are two line items in there that one was paid off two budgets ago. The line items just still exist, but that is no longer a debt service 0980 is not-it’s paid. Since 2001, we have done a vehicle replacement program as oppose to-our vehicle maintenance used to run about \$15,000 a year and fuel efficiency for those vehicles because the we were getting used vehicles and the wear and tear on the tires because the suspension when you balance all out. We changed it over to a replacement program and will we have used since and that’s while we are able to get by with \$2,000.00-\$3,000 a year in maintenance opposed to \$10,000-\$15,000.

Commissioner Carver stated he said the gas mileage picked up yet, year over \$1000 in gas in your budget and you were budgeted \$25,000.

Chief Anderson said yes. I spoke to Charles about that today. I went back through the fuel logs the one thing that hurts us is the way they bill it. They go by what the rate is at the end of the month. If we go to the fuel man cards that would dramatically reduce.

Commissioner Tiderman asked did we not get new firearms for everyone last year.

Chief Anderson said yes ma'am.

Commissioner Tiderman asked what the increase is for this year.

Chief Anderson said that's just for ammo. That was year before last when we got the firearms. Law officers are required to qualify with their weapons once a year. That's required by state plus training and it's averages around 3000 rounds of 40 caliber and about 1000 rounds of 223,

Commissioner Tiderman stated so this is basically for ammunition.

Chief Anderson said and targets and another \$500.00 usually associated with shotgun shells because you got to shoot with both slugs and buck shots.

Mayor Alexander asked did we trade the old guns back in.

Chief Anderson said yes, we got the new guns for little over \$200 apiece on the trade in. We had the old guns-we bought them in 2001 and they lasted us to 2012 so we kept them for 11 years, we were able to maintenance them and keep them in good working order.

Commissioner Tiderman stated she had one other question. I thought when the-originally that the canine was not supposed to cost the town any money-when that was put into play. Am I wrong there?

Chief Anderson said no you are not wrong. When we proposed the canine program to the board it was proposed that it would be based on solicitation and donations to start the program, and that's the way we created it and moved forward. We done all the training purchase the dogs, put them on the road, and provided everything they needed for the first fiscal year. After that we budgeted a \$1,200.00 a year and that's just for food only.

Commissioner Carver asked how much does the officers trained to keep current.

Chief Anderson said every week they have to keep records for court. It's a requirement.

Commissioner Carver asked how many K-9 we have.

Chief Anderson answered 2.

Commissioner Carver said because I never see them.

Chief Anderson said they are on every day-7 days a week.

Commissioner Carver said I just never see the dog, that's was I was asking.

Chief Anderson said they are generally used weekly.

Commissioner Carver asked do we have a-Gaston County has a enter department agreement that we do calls. We share resources-(Chief Anderson said that correct) I don't know that's why I am asking questions. Why do we need K-9?

Chief Anderson said because we are ate up of drugs in Ranlo and they contact us more for our services more than we call them for theirs.

Commissioner Carver said I maybe off but my thinking-if we got a K-9 for Gaston County and not Ranlo what's the purpose of us supplying K-9 for Gaston County and not for the City. If they call us for our services more than when call them (Chief Anderson said the County does) if the County does then that means were not utilizing-it's not efficient enough to be there.

Chief Anderson said well my response wasn't we use it more for the County than we do for ourselves. My response was they call us more than we called them the dogs are primarily used for the town. To give you a good example the officer pulls over a vehicle coming from a drug area on a routine traffic stop. K-9 unit all he needs to do is walk around the vehicle and get a bird on it to give a probable cause to search that we utilize them for. A lot of these drug arrest that we report on, those come from traffic stops and the use of our K-9. The way you work it-you pull somebody over for a dime bag of pot-you can offer them-to tell you where they got it from and we will work with you on the charges. Without the K-9, we don't have probable cause to search someone's car without consent and they aren't going to consent to a search if they know they have illegal drugs. We also use them at crime scenes to look for guns, knives, weapons that been used and runaway juveniles.

Commissioner Carver said he don't deny the efficiency of the dogs. My thing is that I just don't see the necessary means of K-9 but if you justify it, I will take that.

Chief Anderson said my response would be having a K-9 is like having another officer for backup or for any other necessary means. It's like instead of having 7 officers you have 9, you always have a partner with you.

Commissioner Carver asked how much did we pay in training for the officers.

Chief Anderson said they volunteer their time.

Commissioner Carver said okay, so canine a supply is the only thing and its 1200.00 a year.

Chief Anderson stated they volunteer their time now and they volunteer their time to go to through six-month training with the dog, they purchased the dog on their own. We had the American Metal fabricators to volunteer the material to build the necessary equipment in the vehicle-to make them efficient and compliant with the regulations of the safekeeping of the dog to keep in the vehicle.

Commissioner Tiderman asked does this also include there vet bills. Who covers the vet bills?

Chief Anderson said they cover 90% of the vet bills. If it's something comes up. Let's say something occurred to the animal at work where it needed immediate assistance it's, like-I don't want to say a Workmen's Comp but the town would have some sort of responsibility to the dog if it's in the line of duty.

Commissioner Tiderman said I'm speaking of the annual shots in rabies in the tags. Where is that covered?

Chief Anderson said I don't want to give you an answer and not be correct.

Town Clerk Tesha stated she just paid a bill for annual shots for one of the k-9.

Commissioner Tiderman and Commissioner Carver said okay.

Chief Anderson stated his wish would be that we keep them. It is a very valuable service to say the least. I think Linda's son-in-law is a K-9 officer and he can tell you just as much as I could. It's a very good resource and it really helps us to perform our duty.

Commissioner Ryne stated it's like a \$100.00 a month.

Chief Anderson said yes ma'am.

Chief Anderson stated he can try to work on that figure.

Commissioner Carver stated it's only \$1,200.00 I am fine with that. I just wanted some justification of the canine to be clear.

Chief Anderson said he can bring a report on what the dogs has done in the last 12 months-both training and volunteering time.

Commissioner Carver said he trusted his personal opinion on that.

Chief Anderson said thank you.

Commissioner Tiderman said she had a question on the salaries for administration. That includes half of Mr. Graham, Tesha.

Mr. Graham spoke and said half of my, half of Tesha's and all of Tracey's

Commissioner Tiderman said she thought Tracey was part of the police department.

Mr. Graham said since I have been here. She has been under administration. I know at some point she was transferred from police to administration.

Mayor Alexander said I thought it was half and half.

Commissioner Tideman said when they made the motion to bring her over into here she would be in recreation or assist with recreation. I know recreation doesn't use her in sports, but it would be half-and-half.

Mr. Graham said I am sorry I can't speak of that. I do not know-now she's not doing the recreation but what she is doing is cross training for the front office billing with Beth because at some point Carolyn will most likely fully retire instead of working part-time and we really do need two people in the billing office so she is cross training; she will be doing that, but she is also still doing the code enforcement.

Chief Anderson stated Code enforcement was removed from the police department completely. She is not even certified as a police officer.

Mayor Alexander said you have got to be. In our book she's got to be a certified police officer.

Chief Anderson said the chief code enforcement officer for the Town of Ranlo is the Town coordinator and he designates who enforces code enforcement.

Mr. Graham said he thought she still had certification.

Chief Anderson said not through us. Through sheriff's department.

Mr. Graham said yea Sheriff's Department.

Chief Anderson stated it was a conflict. I felt it was a conflict on our behalf acting agent of the police department versus enforcing code along with zoning because she don't just do zoning-she don't just do codes other parts of her duty is zoning, planning, business permits-I don't recall all of them but it was combined into one bunch and that is the reason.

Commissioner Tideman stated shouldn't we have half her salary go into billing, public works, water, sewer, if she's going to be in billing.

Mr. Graham said we could make those adjustments because she would be working part-time in billing now. Obviously increasing those salaries in the utilities-we just increased all those rates because that one wasn't paying for those rates so it is tight there. Yes we could do that. The code enforcement, I'm not familiar with the conflict of interest issue, that maybe one. The mayor is correct; she does have to have Certification and she does it's through the sheriff department not your department so she has that. We can look at readjusting those. The adjustment between police department administration, that's all general fund anyway. So the revenues that feed into both administration and police is the same. That would be a washer, that wouldn't make any difference. The change that would relieve the revenue under general funds would be to have part her salary coming out of water, sewer, storm water, which again, if I'm going to increased that for right now this budget were going to have some revenue issues until we work through figuring out exactly how much revenue increased these we have already bring in.

Commissioner Tideman said if she doing the zoning, coding blah blah blah, she has a different salary rate than the billing person would have. Beth doesn't make that much as a billing person.

Mr. Graham said correct. Her salary has grown over the years she has been with the town, so there is a longevity issue-in terms how her salary has grown but you're right, she does make more than Beth but she is doing a dual function so if you look at our pay scale that's in there now she's under two different things. That would justify it some, the rest of it I would have to contribute to the fact she has been here longer than Beth.

Commissioner Carver asked how long has she been here.

Chief Anderson said a long time; I think Carolyn still makes a little bit more than she makes.

Mr. Graham said yes Carolyn makes a good bit more than her.

Commissioner Rhyne asked how long you think we will have Carolyn on board.

Mr. Graham stated she has not indicated to him an immediate plan to stop working. Right now what we have done; we have adjusted when she works- when I first came she worked 3-4 days every week, which really we didn't need the help on some of those days. We need her help on the busy days. She is okay with this-it gives her longer stretches at a time off of work. We have rearranged her schedule a little bit. She works more days on the busy weeks like cutoff's, payment dues and things like that and less days on the slow weeks. Her help is here when it is needed most. But in terms of her indicating she's ready to stop entirely. She has not indicated that in fact she has done the opposite because after we eliminated the part-time employees in public works. She did finally about a week ago ask me if we were going to eliminate the rest of the part-time-she was concerned. I told her I did not have immediate plans to do that. That's as far as those conversations have gone, so far as I know she plans on continue to work. According to Beth there are still a couple of things that- a couple areas that Beth wants further clarification and training from Carolyn before Carolyn's gone. One of those has to do with the debt set off that Carolyn was sent to school, as I understand to learn how to do herself. I asked Beth to ask her to start showing her that and Carolyn response at that point was you probably need to go to that school, so I am going to have to have further conversation with Carolyn about getting that training in with Beth before she did decide she didn't want to work any longer. But she's not indicated that she is prepared to do that right now.

Commissioner Rhyne asked how often they offer that school.

Mr. Graham stated he doesn't know. He hasn't looked into that.

Mayor Alexander asked any farther on this matter.

Mayor Alexander stated he would like to discuss on what you have come up with our trash. We have got to break even on this. It is questionable.

Mr. Graham said he has looked at the projected revenue for collections for trash collections. If you compare the revenue with the total expenses in sanitation you will see that revenue is projected to be about 20,000 less than expenditures. You'll also notice that there's still debt payment for the garbage truck. This will be the last payment on that in July and it's a little over \$20,000. So with that gone we will at least be breaking even going forward may be making a little more than a costing us. With increasing fuel pricing and stuff like that it won't last very long. Short answer for your question is-we're not covering all the expenses in sanitation are now but it's due to the debt service, which will be gone after July in that fund. With increase cost we will again be in the whole in that fund too very soon.

Commissioner Ryne said are you talking about July of this year.

Commissioner Carver what's the trash right now \$9.00.

Mr. Graham said yes \$9.00.

Commissioner Carver stated if we are going break even after this last payment and we went up on the water bill at the last meeting and storm water this meeting. Let's wait a year.

Commissioner Tideman stated if more people will recycle it would save on the poundage, but they're going to say we pay to have it picked up,

Mr. Graham said yeah most people will do that when it's convenient for them. What I mean by that is having a recycle truck go around pickup recycling in addition to the regular collection.

Mr. Graham said we need to watch it going forward. It will have to be addressed in the next two years. Think the counsel is making some good steps starting this year doing some things that just have to be done and you can't do it all at once, you're going to have to choose the ones that have to be done now and choose the ones for later. But keep this in mind as well. For example, you addressed water and sewer rates but Two Rivers is still telling us they are going to go up every year. So you're going to have to do that you're going to have to match these you can let it-if you don't match them you're going to right back in the hole. Next year you got a big talk about water, trash, water, sewer, again.

Commissioner Carver stated next year we will have to talk about that. We raised the water rate; we raised the sewer rate back up to \$1.80. Two billing in a row we have raised rates, the citizens are going to wondering what in the world are they doing up there; they are killing us and especially if we went up on trash the backlash on it would be-I say if we are breaking even right now I say leave it at that and we revisit it on a later date. Keep an eye on it and if it starts losing money, we will have any choice.

Mayor Alexander stated this was one of things that I was worried about the worst. What it is worth, I really appreciate y'all showing up. Thank you because these decisions that were talking about aren't easy it would've been nice if everybody would've showed up. I hate this is falling on the shoulders of just three people. As the mayor, I appreciate it.

Commissioner Tiderman asked why the lodge is under recreation.

Mr. Graham stated I don't know why it was put there in the past, honestly, that is a recreation facility same as the ball field Park and everything else. In my mind that's probably where it belongs because that's what it's used for; they rent it for birthday parties and things like that just like the community build over here.

Mayor Alexander stated use to it was actually controlled by the front office. Because they can take care of all the inflow money they could also watch the budget and repairs. Everyone that came in wanting it had to go through the front office to get it-it's still that way. They can be double booking the way it is now because sometimes people are told yes you can have it; I will go the next day and signup for you. Now, the front office staff doesn't know nothing about this and someone walks in later wanting that date and then here comes the Commissioner saying well I gave this day to so and so and here's an poor employee and don't know what to do.

Mr. Graham I wasn't aware of that issue that one hasn't come up for me yet.

Mayor Alexander said it will.

Commissioner Rhyne stated I haven't been guilty of that

Commissioner Tiderman said I'm not guilty

Mayor Alexander stated in the past it has happened.

Commissioner Rhyne said she noticed that the community building is not listed in our budget is it rented out a lot.

Commissioner Tiderman said it is under the lodge.

Mr. Graham said it is paid out of the same fund

Commissioner Rhyne said the community building and lodge is together.

Ms. Palmer stated yes.

Mr. Graham said and talking about watching things Tesha and I have looked at that in terms in the amount that people pay for use of that. Again, not that we want to change anything right now but we have already within department had to transfer funds to cover the lodge cleaning fees.

Commissioner Carver said double booking is the thing because I have rented it-they do the radar test down there. They had it that day and I rented it for that night. There are always events down there. How much does it cost to rent?

Ms. Palmer stated \$125.00 and they get \$40.00 of that back.

Mr. Graham said so basically there's a net \$85 and it costs \$35 for the cleaning after each event and the utilities and stuff like that.

Mayor Alexander stated Air conditioning repairs.

Mr. Graham said yes, so if there's a major repair-it's losing money.

Commissioner Carver stated that is a high lodge.

Chief Anderson stated the police doesn't actually rent the lodge they are using the parking lot.

Commissioner Carver stated he didn't have any more questions.

Commissioner Rhyne stated the rides and amusement with \$10,000. Hopefully it doesn't rain us out. We usually make that back. The event usually pays for itself.

Mr. Graham said yes. We have that in the revenues to cover that.

Mr. Graham stated if there are no other questions from the commissioners. I'll want to make one final comment that we have discussed it was mentioned not directly but mentioned today. Obviously, there is no money in the proposed budget for raises for the upcoming year for the employees. There would be enough cushion in what's been budgeted for salaries for particular employees if it were considered warranted for one or two or three, there being no money really to hire any additional employee I don't think. We did start for public works working inmates. This week we started with two we can get up to four at least throughout the summer and the two that we've gotten so far has been helpful, hard workers so far. Hopefully we can use them to tackle a few projects this summer and help about the grass mowing. They seem certainly willing to do whatever. That will give us some relief there in public works. Eventually not this budget but we do need to think about if one of our current want follow through getting CDL at some, we will probably need another CDL. Since Gail mentioned Beth I know were not in closed session but I will at least say this now. At some point as we start the new budget. I would like to consider her for salary purpose.

Commissioner Carver asked when her year was.

Mr. Graham stated he did not look at that for tonight. I wasn't going to discuss it fully because I thought we would do it in close session. I just wanted to mention it and let you have it in mind for budget purposes. Beyond that for this budget I don't think I have any more comments. I will go back and rework the storm water fee back where it was. I think that's the only other major change that we talked about.

Mr. Graham stated I have updated revenue and expenses sheets. At the last meeting I had done the transfers that we need to do without council approval but I have not had time to get with the Chief with his fund-he has now done that. I have given a new expense sheets seeking out those. The amendments we need to do the first one are Commissioner Carver salary-we have already explained how that has to happen. We have a budget amendment that the Council has to approve

and we will get the mayor to sign that amendment because that is technically moving funds to one fund to another. So all have to approve that so I'm asking for approval. Commissioner Tiderman made motion to approve. Commissioner Carver seconded and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Graham asked Town Clerk Ms. Palmer to remind him of the other amendments.

Ms. Palmer the next one is for the property liability.

Mr. Graham stated this is more for informational purpose for you. There are lot items for these things but they are shown as zero. You may or may not have them occur. What we're talking about is damage to vehicles. There have been some in the police department and they want in public works-one of the pickup trucks. Those are covered by insurance, either the other party that was involved in the accident or own insurance. What happens is once the claim is made the insurance is us the check that we deposit it in our bank account so it increases the revenue 20 forever how much it was and we take that same amount and put it over to the police vehicle and the please, budget, and there is a line item for repair police vehicles. In public works I ran this one by the CPA to make sure we put in the right place. He said we can either put it in the repair autos or miscellaneous line items in public works. So we can do that. We have been getting quotes on these, so we are getting repairs at less than what the insurance is paying. We are given a little extra money that we can move around to pay some of the other negatives with. Tesha please tell them the amounts, I forgot.

Ms. Palmer stated on the revenue statement the account number 10-302-3000 is the insurance reimbursement PD there is \$14,159.00 that we have received that we need to move over to fix the vehicles. Commissioner Carver made motion to approve. Commissioner Tiderman seconded and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Graham asked was there anymore we need to get approved tonight.

Ms. Palmer stated yes the contingency out of general fund.

Mr. Graham said he mentioned this at the last meeting. In the administration budget there was a negative line item for \$4,316.00 for property liability, a leftover from a lawsuit as I understand before I arrived. The only place I have to pay for that is that contingency in administration of \$8076, so I'm asking the board to approve taking that money out of that contingency to pay that. Commissioner Tiderman made motion to approve. Commissioner Carver seconded and it passed unanimously.

Ms. Palmer stated there is one more contingency for the police department. It's \$4,100 out of contingency to go to the auto fuel to get it out the negative and to have extra to.

Commissioner Carver status so you're going to be at \$30,000 for gas

Chief Anderson stated roughly 29,000 the year before it was 29 last year it was 27,000. Its back up to 29,000 this year.

Commissioner Carver made motion to approve. Commissioner Tiderman seconded and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Graham stated there will be more of these in the June meeting to finish taking care of negatives. That's all we have to really cover right now. I can go ahead and give you the quick rundown I don't have the exact figures. So we don't have a sheet, I didn't see any point of doing it tonight. Example where that would be is our street repairs for the utility cuts. There is a contingency and utilities to do that with. We have a danger tree over here on the new property behind the park. The neighbor came to me said there's a dead tree. They're afraid with these storms it's going to fall on the house. I went and looked and yes it's already cracked at the stump too-there are actually 2 dead pine trees that may fall on the house next door. I got quotes; it's going to cost \$1200 to take them down. We do not have any money in the parks to do that unless we take it out the contingency in parks and recreation. I may have money to take it out of public works instead but I will know that by the June meeting so I will wait and look at that.

Mayor Alexander stated we needed to get that taken care of as soon as possible.

Mr. Graham stated if you want to go ahead and do it. We didn't do the paperwork but if you want to go ahead and approve that one. I can go ahead and get that taking down I've got quotes.

Commissioner Rhyne asked can we take care of the tree that is leaning toward the shelter also.

Mr. Graham said, in the park itself? No. I've got a quote on those there's actually four of them that will be another couple thousand dollars for those four. This low quote of \$1,200 is just for the two dead ones that may fall on the neighbor's house.

Mayor Alexander said. That's a liability.

Commissioner Rhyne said. Oh I know I just wonder if we needed to do-

Mr. Graham stated I've got quotes on them. I've talked to the companies they said they would work with us. Maybe we can do that in the next budget. We are talking July we have money in there for that.

Commissioner Carver made motion to approve to carry that on out so we want have to pay anymore. Commissioner Tiderman and Commissioner Rhyne seconded and it passed unanimously.

3. Adjournment

Mayor Alexander asked for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Tiderman made the motion and Commissioner Carver seconded and it passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

STEVEN ALEXANDER, MAYOR OF RANLO

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