# TOWN OF BOGUE COUNCIL MEETING February 15, 2016

The Town of Bogue Council met Monday, February 15, 2016 at 6:00pm at the Bogue Town Hall, 121 Chimney Branch Road, Bogue. Mayor Richard Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:01p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Councilman Eddie Morton led the invocation.

Council members present: Mayor Taylor, Herbert Page, Charlie Wilton, David Padgett, Bobby O'Chat, and Eddie Morton. Also present was Town Clerk Elizabeth Sweeney, Planning Board member Cecil Hurst.

#### Agenda

Councilman Page made a Motion to accept agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Councilman Padgett. Motion was approved unanimously.

#### Minutes

Councilman O'Chat made a Motion to approve the January 18, 2016 minutes as written. Motion was seconded by Councilman Page. Motion was approved unanimously.

Councilman Padgett made a Motion to approve the February 1, 2016 minutes as written. Motion was seconded by Councilman O'Chat. Motion was approved unanimously.

#### Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

#### Old Business

The draft Fire Inspections Procedure and initial invoice letter to business/property owner was reviewed. Councilman Morton asked to clarify a part of the procedure. The "list of businesses to be inspected for that month" should be read as "businesses' due in the upcoming months" in order to allow time for payment and scheduling. The wording will be modified in the procedure. The inspection sheet, letter and policy will be hand delivered by Clerk Sweeney to explain it. The Inspector will set up the inspection appointment.

Councilman David Padgett made a **Motion** to accept the Fire Inspections Policy and letter. Councilman Herbert Page seconded the Motion. Mayor Taylor asked if there was any more discussion on it. Motion was passed unanimously.

Mayor Taylor asked when the last inspections were done by the county. Sweeney said according to the county the last time they were here was 2011. All commercial properties are past due for an inspection.

## **New Business**

Resolution #1-2016, To End Economic Development Tier System. Clerk Sweeney explained the resolution. Councilman David Padgett made a **Motion** to approve Resolution #1-2016. Councilman Eddie Morton seconded the Motion. Motion was passed unanimously.

Resolution #2-2016, Qualified Source for Ethics Training. The ethics training was held February 10, attended by Councilmen Page and Morton. Councilman Padgett made a **Motion** to approve Resolution #2-2016. Councilman O'Chat seconded the Motion. Motion was passed unanimously.

Budget Amendment #2- Salaries. This amendment is necessary to adjust the line item. The spending had been voted on and approved by the Town Council on October 19, 2015, passed unanimously. The amendment was overlooked and not brought to Council until now. [This amendment also includes removing pay for the Mayor and Council, discussed at Town Council meetings January 18, 2016 and February 1, 2016.] Councilman Page made the **Motion** to approve the Budget Amendment #2. Councilman Morton seconded the Motion. Motion was passed unanimously.

Budget Amendment #3- Street Repairs. The amount of \$40,000 was approved at the last Council meeting and will remain the amount on this amendment. Councilman Page made a **Motion** to approve the Budget Amendment #3. Councilman O'Chat seconded the Motion.

#### **Department Reports**

Financial - Mayor Taylor- General Fund Checking \$411,206; Powell Bill \$17,915. Total \$429,218.

Budget/Planner - Clerk Sweeney- The mid-year budget review presented to Council. [Attached and incorporated into these minutes] Sweeney noted the three scholarships total \$2100 and are not included in the balance remaining for Travel/Training. Funds remain in Seasonal Décor/lights to purchase two more decorations. Sweeney will order them, approximate cost \$1200. Budget amendment for Street Maintenance has not been added to balance remaining. All other accounts are in black and should remain for balance of fiscal year.

*ILA - Councilman Morton-* Last meeting on January 27, 2016 was a special board meeting for a public hearing on the FY2016-17 budget. There were no public comments, it was voted on and passed.

Planner Report – Clerk Sweeney asked Councilman O'Chat, as a Planning Board member, to read the statement from the Planning Board on Rezone #3-2015. The statement is attached and incorporated into these minutes. The developer wants to be on the Council agenda next month to present his plan. The Planning Board was unanimous in its decision to deny the rezoning and keep the property RA (Rural Agricultural).

Streets -Councilmen Padgett and O'Chat- The emergency street repair at Park Ave and Hunting Bay Drive was completed for \$450. The emergency work on Chimney Branch Road was completed with ten loads of sandy fill, spread and graded, for \$1450. Finished last Friday, it is holding well. O'Chat has an estimate from Onslow Paving and Grading for asphalt work, approximately \$8/sqyd of 1 ½" asphalt.

Roughly: Pine Needle Circle (about 3/4ths) \$24,087

Lake Arthur Drive (partial) \$31,682 Millicent Court \$22,550 Barrington Ridge \$24,298 Forest Line Dr (halfway) \$21,403 Creek Line Dr \$31,493 Total \$155,516

There was a discussion of the worst areas that should be first and the total costs. Councilman Wilton noted an area on Hunting Bay Drive had little asphalt left on the road. There are several sinkholes on Hunting Bay Dr that it is recommended to wait before paving them. Councilman Morton asked to take more funds to do all the necessary paving. Mayor Taylor asked to do part of the list, the worst, and see how far it gets. Then put in the next fiscal year budget to do the rest. A **Motion** was made by Councilman Page to spend a maximum of \$28,500 for paving on Pine Needle Circle and Hunting Bay

Drive in the areas where it is the worst. Councilman Wilton seconded the Motion. Motion was passed unanimously.

Town Hall /Emergency- Councilman Wilton- A rechargeable fire extinguisher has been purchased for the Town Hall. There was a discussion of the exit signs and the criteria. A mounting bracket for the fire extinguisher was not available at Lowes. Councilman Morton will look for one.

JLUS- Councilman Page- There has not been a meeting and no updates.

# Miscellaneous Reports/Announcements

- -A federal appeals court has not made a decision on prayer at public meetings in NC.
- -Naming ceremony for Coast Guard station, to take place February 25 in Morehead City.
- -ECC event to meet with legislators, to take place on April 14 in New Bern.

## <u>Adjournment</u>

Councilman Padgett made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Councilman Page. Motion was approved unanimously. Mayor Taylor adjourned the meeting at 6:47p.m.

 RICHARD G. TAYLOR, MAYOR
ELIZABETH SWEENEY, TOWN CLERK