

TOWN OF BOGUE
COUNCIL MEETING
April 17, 2017

The Town Council of Bogue met Monday, April 17, 2017 at 6:00pm at the Bogue Town Hall, 121 Chimney Branch Road. Mayor Richard Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:02p.m.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Councilman Bobby O'Chat led a prayer.

Council members present: Mayor Taylor, Herbert Page, Charlie Wilton, David Padgett, Bobby O'Chat, and Eddie Morton. Also present was Town Clerk Elizabeth Sweeney and Town Attorney Donna Boggs.

Agenda

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

Minutes

Councilman Morton made a Motion to approve the March 20, 2017 minutes as written. Motion was seconded by Councilman Page. Motion was approved unanimously.

Citizen Comments

None

Old Business

Discussion on FY17-18 Draft Budget, to balance income to expenses for the past few years' money has been taken from the General Fund. Clerk Sweeney proposed an increase in taxes from \$0.05 to \$0.06; a one cent increase. Estimate of increased revenue was given to Council to review. No decision made.

New Business

Planning Board reappointment: Councilman Page made a **Motion** to reappoint Michael Panzarella to the Planning Board for the three year term ending December 2020. Motion seconded by Councilman Wilton. Motion passed unanimously.

Zoning Map Updates: Clerk Sweeney presented a list and map of past rezonings that had been properly approved, but not updated on the colored zoning map. There are ten, list and map attached to minutes. This was for information purposes only; a new zoning map will be drawn. The information had been presented to the Planning Board at their April meeting. Discussion on these ten properties and discussion on another property that was not on the list. Mayor Taylor asked Clerk Sweeney to research a few years ago a business that had been operating in a residential zone to see if it had been rezoned. The business is now closed. Sweeney did not find that rezoning during the other research. There may have been a zoning violation letter issued. The business may have moved because of that.

Rezoning recommendations: Clerk Sweeney presented reasons why five properties should be rezoned by the town and no fees charged to the owners. List and map attached to minutes.

- 1) 5276 Hwy 24 was rezoned from R15M to R20 at the request of the property owner on 6/15/2004. It has been used as B1, with zoning permits issued as such [4/29/2008 and going forward] Property should be B1.(#14 on map/list)
- 2) Some of the Guthrie Farm properties had conservation and military easements filed on 8/20/2012. Three properties should be RA. (#22 on map/list)

- 3) 5306 Hwy 24 has been residential with a house built in 1955. It was sold in a private sale in 2016. The zone shows as B1 on the map but the property has never been used as a business and the new owner wants to use it as a second home. Property should be R20. (#35 on map/list)

The rezoning requests have been presented to the Planning Board at their April meeting. A recommendation letter is attached to the minutes. Discussion by the Council on the rezoning. Councilman Morton made a **Motion** to hold a Public Hearing at the May meeting for the rezonings as described above. Motion seconded by Councilman Padgett. Motion passed unanimously.

Department Reports

Financial - Mayor Taylor- General Fund checking \$372,750; Powell Bill \$20,521, Petty Cash \$100. Total \$393,371.

Budget Report – Clerk Sweeney - FY17-18 Budget will be finalized at next meeting for a Public Hearing at the June meeting.

Planner Report – Clerk Sweeney - Zoning: one new single family residence being built and one application for rezoning which will be on Planning Board May agenda.

ILA - Councilman O’Chat- Meeting was last Wednesday [April 12], new ambulance on the way and tanker expected in mid-May. Fuel tax refund request is now in the NCGA Finance Committee which is further than it has been in the past. There is the possibility of having to cash in CD for maintenance on fire station. Mayor Taylor said the number of calls have increased by about 10% each year. Estimate of 1800 calls for this year. Carteret County went to ILA to request they take over the Stella Volunteer Fire Department. The county has offered to pay for the first year so as not to burden the taxpayers in our district. The ILA would use Stella as a substation. It would lower insurance rating for Stella area property owners.

Streets -Councilmen O’Chat – Chimney Branch Rd was rocked and graded as budgeted. Several potholes were patched in Hunting Bay.

Town Hall /Emergency- Councilman Wilton- Getting the generator checked for the season.

JLUS- Councilman Page- Nothing to report

Miscellaneous Reports/Announcements

-Community Shred Day, May 6th Sat. 9-1, Lowes Foods parking lot, first three hours for residents, last hour for towns and businesses until truck is full. Flyer posted on website today.

- Carteret News Times newspaper reporter was introduced, Cheryl Burke.

Adjournment

At 6:44pm **Motion** to adjourn was made by Councilman Page, and seconded by Councilman Padgett. Motion passed unanimously.

_____ RICHARD G. TAYLOR, MAYOR

_____ ELIZABETH SWEENEY, TOWN CLERK