

TOWN OF BOGUE
COUNCIL MEETING
March 19, 2018

The Town Council of Bogue met Monday, March 19, 2018 at the Bogue Town Hall, 121 Chimney Branch Road. Mayor Richard Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Councilman David Padgett led a prayer. Council members present: Mayor Taylor, Herbert Page, Eddie Morton, Bobby O'Chat, and David Padgett. Unexcused was Charlie Wilton. Also present was Town Clerk Elizabeth Sweeney.

Agenda

Councilman Page made a Motion to accept the agenda. Motion was seconded by Councilman O'Chat. Motion was approved unanimously.

Minutes

Councilman O'Chat made a Motion to approve the February 19, 2018 minutes as written. Motion was seconded by Councilman Page. Motion was approved unanimously. Councilman Padgett made a Motion to approve the March 12, 2018 Budget Workshop minutes as written. Motion was seconded by Councilman Page. Motion was approved unanimously.

Citizen Comments

Mayor Taylor acknowledged two citizens but they did not have comments.

Old Business

None

New Business

Budget Officer/Clerk Sweeney introduced the draft budget for FY 2018-19. There was discussion of section 3, current year collection rate as of this date is 88.82%. Sweeney said this will change by the public hearing date. Mayor Taylor noted this will likely be 93-94% by then. Section 4 was discussed, some wording was changed.

Councilman Morton made a **Motion** to set a public hearing for the FY2018-19 budget at the next council meeting April 16, 2018. Motion was seconded by Councilman O'Chat. Motion was approved unanimously.

Department Reports

Financial - Mayor Taylor- General Fund checking \$392,795; Petty Cash \$100; Powell Bill \$42,043; total \$434,938.

Budget Report – Clerk Sweeney – Thank you for accepting the draft FY18-19 budget and setting the public hearing date.

Planner Report – Clerk Sweeney - Permits issued since last meeting: 3-change of use, 1-enclosing porch, 1-accessory building. Three notice of violations of Chapter 91 of Town of Bogue Code of Ordinances, §91.01 (B) were sent today by certified mail as requested by Mayor Taylor. No information of any change to REPI project for a park. Received one more response from plan steering letter, requesting a park. Information requested for using community service workers for town.

ILA – Councilman Morton – Met March 7 for public hearing on FY2018-19 budget at which there were no comments. The budget was approved, sent to Fire & EMS Commission and to the county to set tax rate.

Streets -Councilman O’Chat – Correct sign placed at Bayview Court, removed Bayview Circle. Mayor Taylor noted rock and grading will be done soon on Chimney Branch Rd [previously approved]. Condition of road is good, has held up well. Mr. Farrington of Yardworks will be doing landscaping at our town signs, plans to be submitted to Councilman Page.

Town Hall /Emergency- CCEC was here today to look at security light in adjacent yard. They will reposition light to shine over street, likely tomorrow. Cost to town will be about \$10 per month.

Miscellaneous Reports/Announcements

Clerk Sweeney attended Eastern Carolina Council Regional Legislative meeting in New Bern. ECC members [nine counties, 44 municipalities] heard from seven of our legislators on key regional issues. Six issues were chosen as the most important for our region: Complete Hwy 17, Opioid Crisis, Re-Entry Council, School Safety, Mental Health, and Water & Sewer Infrastructures. There will be a committee forming to continue to pressure legislators to focus on these issues.

Adjournment

At 6:22 p.m. **Motion** to adjourn was made by Councilman Morton, and seconded by Councilman O’Chat. Motion passed unanimously.

_____ RICHARD G. TAYLOR, MAYOR

_____ ELIZABETH SWEENEY, TOWN CLERK