

TOWN OF BOGUE
COUNCIL MEETING
April 16, 2018

The Town Council of Bogue met Monday, April 16, 2018 at the Bogue Town Hall, 121 Chimney Branch Road. Mayor Richard Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Councilman Eddie Morton led a prayer. Council members present: Mayor Taylor, Herbert Page, Eddie Morton, Bobby O'Chat, Charlie Wilton, and David Padgett. Also present was Town Clerk Elizabeth Sweeney.

Agenda

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

Minutes

Councilman Page made a Motion to approve the March 19, 2018 minutes as written. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wilton. Motion was approved unanimously.

Citizen Comments

Carteret County Sheriff Asa Buck spoke to the Council about the work in his department. The opioid crisis and drug enforcement efforts, growth of the county, created a serious need to expand offices and the county jail. He stated they are working on completing plans to expand the offices, possibly in three years. Detectives in his office work closely with municipal police and other law enforcement. He expanded on these efforts and coordination between multiple agencies to get offenders back on track to work and in drug treatment if needed. He has been sheriff for eleven and a half years. There are over 100 people working in the sheriff department. Sheriff Buck presented many things the department has done and continues to do to keep citizens safe.

Mayor Taylor thanked Sheriff Buck on behalf of the Council for the informative and educational talk on the work of the department. Taylor said he appreciated everything he and his department have done and he hopes the good work will continue.

Public Hearing

Councilman O'Chat made a **Motion** to open the Public Hearing on the Budget Ordinance for FY 2018-19, second by Councilman Padgett. Passed unanimously.

No one spoke in the Public Hearing.

Councilman Padgett made a **Motion** to close the Public Hearing, second by Councilman Page. Passed unanimously.

Old Business

Councilman Page made a **Motion** to accept the Budget Ordinance for FY 2018-19, second by Councilman Wilton. Passed unanimously. There was no discussion.

New Business

Clerk Elizabeth Sweeney asked the Council to review the first draft of Resolution #2-2018, authorizing electronic payments and the first draft of a policy on town issued credit cards. Both of these pertain to new federal requirements. There is a webinar on these new guidance requirements next

week. Another draft may be written after that webinar or changes to our current Fiscal Policy. This will be discussed further at the May meeting.

Small business center of Carteret Community College asked Mayor Taylor to sponsor a proclamation recognizing April 29 – May 5 as National Small Business Week. Councilman Page made a **Motion** to approve the proclamation, second by Councilman O’Chat, passed unanimously.

Department Reports

Financial - Mayor Taylor- General Fund checking \$386,589; Petty Cash \$100; Powell Bill \$41,469; total \$428,159.

Budget Report – Clerk Sweeney – The current year budget will need one more amendment, probably in June. The postage account and the website account will both need funds. Most likely funds will be from the office supplies account. There may be other adjustments to finalize the end of year.

Planner Report – Clerk Sweeney - Permits issued since last meeting: 1-accessory building. Planning Board did not meet in April due to no agenda items. Of the nuisance violations one owner has refused the certified letter. Post Office is returning it. The property is still not cleaned up so we will proceed with misdemeanor citation.

ILA – Councilman Morton – A short meeting on April 11, boat trailer was sold. No update on fuel tax. Same company will be used for audit. Now have two deputy finance officers. Debt offset has been successful, net \$1426. It was Dave Fowler’s last meeting as chairperson.

Streets -Councilman O’Chat – Abandoned septic tank at the edge of Chimney Branch Rd was filled. Issue of washing on edge of Lake Arthur Dr will be addressed.

Miscellaneous Reports/Announcements

- Invitation to breakfast at Croatan High School from CC Public School Foundation.
- County board of commissioners seeking input on becoming “Certified Retirement Community”.
- Emergency services control group meeting on May 14.

Adjournment

At 6:46 p.m. **Motion** to adjourn was made by Councilman Page, and seconded by Councilman Wilton. Motion passed unanimously.

_____ RICHARD G. TAYLOR, MAYOR

_____ ELIZABETH SWEENEY, TOWN CLERK