

TOWN OF BOGUE
COUNCIL MEETING
May 21, 2018

The Town Council of Bogue met Monday, May 21, 2018 at the Bogue Town Hall, 121 Chimney Branch Road. Mayor Richard Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

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

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

Agenda

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

Minutes

Councilman Wilton made a Motion to approve the April 9, 2018 minutes as written. Motion was seconded by Councilman O'Chat. Motion was approved unanimously.

Councilman Padgett made a Motion to approve the April 16, 2018 minutes as written. Motion was seconded by Councilman Page. Motion was approved unanimously.

Citizen Comments

Mayor Taylor asked the citizens that wished to speak to please sign in and remember to limit comments to three minutes each.

First speaker was Dr. Denise Gallagher, resident of Cape Carteret, medical doctor in Cape Carteret. She expressed concern regarding the recently opened store in Bogue that sells the product called Kratom. She distributed literature on it to the council. Dr. Gallagher spoke for three minutes on the product being unsafe and potential to be used in an unsafe manner.

Next speaker was Mr. Christopher Hansen, part owner of the store. He spoke for one and a half minutes about the product being safe, legal, and the store following the laws of the state.

Third speaker, Bogue resident Ms. Vivian Creech, expressed concern that the product would be available to minors. Ms. Creech spoke for one minute.

Dr. Matthew Swiber, medical doctor of Cedar Point and Morehead City, spoke for two and a half minutes. He is a pain management doctor concerned people will use the product in an unsafe manner. He supported Dr. Gallagher's concerns.

Last speaker was Mr. Hugh Clark, part owner of the business. He supported Mr. Hansen saying they follow the law of North Carolina which allows the sale of the product to persons over 18 years of age. He spoke for one minute.

Old Business

Clerk Sweeney presented a second version of Resolution #2-2018 Authorizing Electronic Payments, adding the section on federal funds and the provisions for 2 C.F.R..

Councilman Page made a **Motion** to approve the Resolution #2-2018, second by Councilman O'Chat. Motion passed unanimously.

Policy on town issued credit cards had one change on Appendix A section II. Councilman Padgett made a **Motion** to approve the policy on town issued credit cards, second by Councilman Page. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Draft of the Conflict of Interest/Gifts policy was reviewed with no changes. Councilman Page made a **Motion** to approve the policy, second by Councilman Wilton. Motion passed unanimously.

Draft of Uniform Guidance Procurement Policy was reviewed with no changes. Councilman Page made a **Motion** to approve the policy, second by Councilman Padgett. Motion passed unanimously.

Department Reports

Financial - Mayor Taylor- General Fund checking \$385,095; Petty Cash \$100; Powell Bill \$40,972; total \$426,166. The contract to audit FY2017-18 was reviewed. Mayor Taylor asked for a motion to approve. Councilman Padgett made a **Motion** to approve the Contract to Audit Accounts, for G. Lee Carroll, Jr, CPA, for year ending June 30, 2018. Second by Councilman O’Chat and motion approved unanimously.

Budget Report – Clerk Sweeney – As noted last month there will be one more amendment, in June, to complete the year. The postage account and the website account will both need funds. Funds will be from the office supplies account.

Planner Report – Clerk Sweeney - Permits issued since last meeting: 2-sign permits. 1-new home in Hunting Bay, with street deposit.

ILA – Mayor Taylor – There was no meeting since last report. There will be one in June. Councilman Morton asked Mayor Taylor to report that all was well with the ILA.

Councilmen O’Chat, Padgett, and Wilton– nothing to report

Miscellaneous Reports/Announcements

-Invitation to participate in Annual Storytelling Festival in the month of July by Carteret County Library and a request for donation to support the library. Donation of \$250 has been included in next year’s budget.

-Request by NOAA for the town to become a Weather Ready Nation (WRN) Ambassador to keep public informed and prepared.

Adjournment

At 6:30 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