

TOWN OF BOGUE
COUNCIL MEETING
December 20, 2021

The Town Council of Bogue met Monday, December 20, 2021 at the Bogue Town Hall, 121 Chimney Branch Road.

Mayor Robert O'Chat called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, David Padgett led a prayer.

Oaths of Office

Clerk Southard swore into office; Mayor O'Chat, Councilman Wilton, Councilman Padgett and Councilman Crose.

Council members present: Mayor O'Chat, Charlie Wilton, David Padgett, Albert Taylor, Richard Dougherty and Mike Crose. Also present; Attorney Donna Boggs and Town Clerk Shawne Southard.

Mayor Pro Tem

Mayor O'Chat gave a brief rundown of what the Mayor Pro Tem does; acts as Mayor when the Mayor is not available. Councilman Dougherty made a motion to nominate Councilman Padgett as Mayor Pro Tem. Councilman Wilton seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda

Councilman Padgett made a motion to accept the agenda. Councilman Dougherty seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes

Councilman Wilton made a motion to approve the November 15, 2021 and December 6, 2021 minutes as written. Councilman Dougherty seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments

None

Old Business

None

New Business

Mayor O'Chat stated that Chris Griffin is on the Planning Board as an alternate at this time and he would like to move him to a Planning Board member as there are open seats. Councilman Wilton made a motion to approve Chris Griffin as a Planning Board member. Councilman Padgett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Department Reports

Finance: Mayor O'Chat stated total cash funds are \$536,447.20

Budget: Clerk Southard stated that there was nothing new; except the Capital Outlay shows an overage of \$167 because the Culligan water system was purchased. Clerk Southard thinks the ARP funds will end up covering this cost once we know exactly how we can spend those monies.

Mayor O'Chat stated that 5 months into the fiscal year the Sales Tax is almost at \$12,000 and we budgeted \$16,000 which looks pretty good for the year.

Planner: None

ILA: Councilman Dougherty stated that they amended the budget because of inflation, COVID and communication systems for the ambulances; it was approved. Councilman Dougherty also stated the new ambulance should be here within the year.

Streets: Councilman Padgett stated that there would be tree trimming in the new year.

Emergency Manager: None

Town Hall: None

Events: None

Miscellaneous Reports/Announcements

Councilman Dougherty thanked Clerk Southard for the work to put together the town Christmas party.

Clerk Southard stated that all four councilman that were sworn in will have to take an Ethics class within the next 12 months and it will be online and paid by the town. She also stated there is an Essentials of Municipal Government class available online that is 2 days long and includes the Ethics portion required. The Essentials class is also covered by the town.

Adjournment

At 6:18 p.m. Councilman Padgett made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Wilton seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

_____ BOBBY O'CHAT, MAYOR

_____ SHAWNE SOUTHARD, TOWN CLERK