

TOWN OF BOGUE  
COUNCIL MEETING  
March 18, 2024

The Town Council of Bogue met Monday, March 18, 2024 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, Mayor O'Chat led a prayer.

Council members present; Mayor O'Chat, David Padgett, Albert Taylor, John Dale and Allison Cannon. Not present; Mike Crose Also, present; Town Attorney Donna Boggs and Town Clerk Shawne Southard.

Agenda

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

Minutes

Councilman Dale made a motion to approve the February 19, 2024 minutes. Councilwoman Cannon seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments

None

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Clerk Southard stated that she wants to apply for the PARTF (Parks and Recreation Trust Fund) Grant for Parcel #539503227445000. The Town Planning Board recommended the Town Council approve applying for the PARTF Grant. Councilman Padgett made a motion to move forward with the application for the PARTF Grant for Parcel #539503227445000. Councilman Dale seconded. Motion passed unanimously. There will be a Special Meeting on Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm for the PARTF Grant to be sure all residents are aware of the objective.

Mayor O'Chat asked if there was a date that works for everyone to plan for Bogue Day next year. After much discussion, the Town Council requested we have the celebration on September 20, 2025 with a rain date of September 27, 2025.

Mayor O'Chat stated that the Town is interested in paving Chimney Branch Rd. with next year's budget; however, before we put it in the budget to pave we should get it surveyed. Councilwoman Cannon made a motion to have a survey done of Chimney Branch Rd. Councilman Padgett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor O'Chat stated that the Town has received requests to paint the speed bumps on Forest Line Dr. Councilman Taylor made a motion to paint the speed bumps on Forest Line Dr. Councilman Dale seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Department Reports

*Finance:* Mayor O’Chat stated total cash funds are \$649,796.04.

*Budget:* Clerk Southard presented a draft budget for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year. For this Fiscal Year she stated that Property Taxes are paid through February and Motor Vehicle and Local Sales Taxes are paid through January and lastly, we received the second installment for Utilities Franchises. She also stated there is \$53,575 left in ARP Funds. Clerk Southard also presented a letter from Cape Carteret asking for funds to help offset the cost of the School Resource Officer at White Oak Elementary School in the amount of \$124.00. Councilman Padgett made a motion to approve funding the SRO in the amount of \$124. Councilman Dale seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

*Planner:* Clerk Southard stated she gave out 2 permits; 108 Hunting Bay (new dock) and 1001 WB McLean (new sign). She also stated the Mike Panzarella sent an email saying he wants to stay on the Planning Board. The Town Council tabled the appointment asking Clerk Southard to request a more formal letter from him.

*ILA:* Mayor O’Chat stated they are looking to hire a new Fire Chief as Chief Hunter is retiring in June 2024.

*Streets:* None

*Emergency Manager:* None

*Town Hall:* None

*Events:* None

Miscellaneous Reports/Announcements

Clerk Southard stated Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at 4pm is the Steering Committee meeting for the Pedestrian/Bicycle plan.

Adjournment

At 6:43 p.m. Councilman Padgett made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Dale seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

\_\_\_\_\_ ROBERT O’CHAT, MAYOR

\_\_\_\_\_ SHAWNE SOUTHARD, TOWN CLERK