

**TOWN OF BOGUE
COUNCIL MEETING
March 16, 2026**

The Town Council of Bogue met on Monday, March 16, 2026, 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.

Town Clerk Owens took roll call; all Council Members were present.

Council Members present; Mayor O'Chat, JoAnn Parker, Albert Taylor, John Dale, Mike Crose, and Allison Cannon. Also, present Attorney Donna Boggs and Town Clerk Barbara Owens

Agenda

Mayor O'Chat asked for a motion to approve the agenda as written. Councilmember Dale made the motion to approve the agenda as written, Councilmember Parker seconded the motion, motion carried.

Minutes

Councilmember Taylor made a motion to approve February 16, 2026, regular meeting minutes Councilmember Dale seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

Mayor O'Chat asked if there was anyone signed up with public comment. Clerk Owens stated that no one had signed up to speak.

Unfinished Business

Mayor O'Chat stated there was no unfinished business to discuss.

New Business

Mayor O'Chat stated the first item for new business is resignation of Jo Ann Parker from her seat on the Town of Bogue Planning Board, noting the letter of resignation can be found in the agenda packet. The next item to consider is the property drainage easement from Prestige Land Surveying pin number on the agenda for the Donald and Judy Blais property. This will funnel the storm water into a swale on the drain and utility easement and will take the water to the southwest side of the property to the branch (Chimney Branch) as the survey that was drawn up by John Odom, Prestige Land Surveying, indicates on the map included in the agenda packet. Mr. and Mrs. Blais requested this easement. Councilmember Parker questioned will this drain into Chimney Branch, and have we made sure it is free flowing? Mayor O'Chat stated that John Odom did the survey, shot the grades, and drew it up to flow in that manner. Mayor O'Chat asked for any questions or comments regarding the easement. Mayor O'Chat asked for a motion to approve the easement.

Councilmember Parker made a motion to accept the deeded drainage and utility easement as presented. Councilmember Crose seconded the motion, motion carried. Mayor O'Chat said the next item to discuss is the review of quote from Thomas Simpson to repair the curb that is broken just past town hall on the curve, it was asphalt curbing that was put there that was installed thirty years ago and has deteriorated over the years, there are two asphalt spillways that have also deteriorated over the years, this will give us a total of four spillways on Chimney Branch Road,

maintenance and asphalt paving of Chimney Branch Road. There may be a little maintenance prior to putting the asphalt down. The work to be done for the drainage easement to put the swale in is included in the quote. Councilmember Dale indicated that it may need to be extended a bit. Mayor O'Chat stated that part of that section already has a swale there. Attorney Boggs asked when is the start date? Mayor O'Chat advised starting date will be scheduled as June 1, 2026; it will all be done at one time. It will take several days to accomplish. Attorney Boggs asked if there has been anything else identified that will need to be recorded. Mayor O'Chat stated we will need to record the Blais easement approved tonight. Attorney Boggs stated that we have easements from several years ago. Mayor O'Chat said it has also been staked for the right of way. Councilmember Dale noted that we have already budgeted for this. Mayor O'Chat stated it is in the years budget. Councilmember Dale made a motion to accept the quote from Thomas Simpson as written for the curbing, maintenance, and asphalt paving of Chimney Branch Road. Councilmember Cannon seconded the motion. motion carried. Mayor O'Chat said we will move on to department reports.

Department Reports

Finance: Mayor O'Chat stated total cash funds are \$684,822.33.

Budget: Clerk Owens stated that the sales tax has been received by the town through January, Property tax through February, vehicle tax through January and Utilities Franchise tax through the fourth quarter.

Planner: Clerk Owens stated a shed permit was issued on Chimney Branch Road.

ILA: Councilmember Dale said there will be a Public Hearing March 25, 2026, for the budget.

Streets: Councilmember Taylor stated no report.

Emergency Manager: no report.

Town Hall: Councilmember Dale no report.

Events: Councilmember Cannon and Councilmember Parker stated no report.

Miscellaneous Reports/Announcements

There are no miscellaneous reports/announcements.

Mayor O'Chat stated the next Town Council meeting is April 20, 2026.

Adjournment

At 6:14 p.m. Council member Taylor made a motion to adjourn. Council member Dale seconded. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously.

_____ ROBERT O'CHAT, MAYOR

_____ BARBARA OWENS, TOWN CLERK