

TOWN OF BOGUE
Planning Board Meeting
May 7, 2026

The Town of Bogue Planning Board met May 7, 2026, at the Bogue Town Hall, 121 Chimney Branch Road in Bogue. Chairperson TJ Southard called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Roll Call was taken by the Clerk with the following members present; TJ Southard, Robert O'Chat, Chris Griffin, David Morris, and Alternate Cecil Hurst. Also, present; Clerk Barbara Owens, Attorney Donna Boggs, and Rhonda Murray, Community Plans, and liaison Office Director, MCAS Cherry Point.

Agenda

Member O'Chat made a motion to accept the agenda. Alternate member Hurst seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of March 5, 2026, Planning Board minutes, motion was made to approve the minutes by Member Griffin, Member Southard seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments no citizen comments.

Old Business, no old business.

New Business Chairperson Southard said the first item of business is the review of the Special Use Permit B1 retail sales submitted by Lea McMillan for Lea's Herbs located at 5368 Highway 24. Chairperson Southard asked if anyone had questions. Attorney Boggs asked what would be going on with the mixing of herbs, anything combustible? Mrs. McMillan asked if she had a copy of her business plan, handed one to Attorney Boggs. (attached). Mrs. McMillan replied there are not any combustible items and that her products are made off site at her home. Member Morris asked if the herbs would be grown on site. Mrs. McMillan stated that she has greenhouses at home. She stated that for a lot of her products she uses Frontier Products for bulk herbs. Chairperson Griffin asked what Fire Cider is? Mrs. McMillan stated that it is an immunity tonic using herbs and spices and apple cider vinegar that goes into a wine press and bottles it, it is highly effective. Member Hurst asked how many employees were going to work, and Mrs. McMillan advised that she was the only employee. Member Hurst asked what the hours of operation were going to be Tuesday through Friday from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm, Saturdays will be at the Cedar Point Market and Sundays from noon until 5:00 pm. Member O'Chat said there is plenty of room for parking but the spaces need to be marked with paint on the asphalt, the requirement is for five spaces with one deemed handicapped and there needs to be a handicapped placard for one parking space. Attorney Boggs asked if there would be CBD products or vaping? Mrs. McMillan said no vaping, CBD, spicy literature, no smoking, this is about getting healthy. Member Morris asked what she would call herself. Mrs. McMillan stated she is a certified herbalist, South Carolina Master Gardener, retired Paramedic. Attorney Boggs asked what is involved with becoming a master herbalist? Mrs. McMillan said she is certified, she went through Chestnut Herbal Academy in North Carolina because she wanted to learn from someone that specialized in the local flora and fauna as well as some of the Appalachian remedies; studies were done online and issued a certificate when completed. The coursework took about six months to complete.

Member Griffin made a motion that the planning board send the special use permit to the town council with a recommendation of approval, Member Stoner seconded the motion, unanimously voted to approve.

Planner Report accessory building on Millicent Court and West Hilltop Road

Miscellaneous Reports none

Adjournment Motion to adjourn was made by Member O'Chat, Member Morris seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:11 pm.

_____ TJ Southard, Chairperson

_____ Barbara Owens, Town Clerk