

TOWN OF BOGUE
COUNCIL MEETING
September 16, 2024

The Town Council of Bogue met Monday, September 16, 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, David Padgett led a prayer.

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

Agenda

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

Minutes

Councilman Crose made a motion to approve the August 19, 2024, regular meeting minutes. Councilwoman Cannon seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments

None

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Mallard Oil Company presented a new business sign request for parcel #538520807614000 to be in the same place as the previous sign. According to the Town's Ordinances for signs there must be a 10 foot setback from the right-of-way; however, since the business was there before the widening of Highway 24 and there is no room to have it 10 feet back the sign falls under the exception rule. The Planning Board met and recommended the Town Council approve the new sign and its placement.

Councilman Dale made a motion to approve the new sign and its location on parcel #538520807614000. Councilman Crose seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor O'Chat stated that the Town received 3 Planning Board applications for the 1 regular and 1 alternate spot that is currently open on the board. After much discussion from the applicants, Dana Barbour withdrew her application until there is another regular opening on the board.

Councilman Dale made a motion to approve JoAnn Parker as the regular member on the Planning Board. Councilman Padgett seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Crose made a motion to approve Barbara Owens as the alternate member on the Planning Board. Councilman Dale seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor O'Chat stated that the Board needs to come to a decision on paving Chimney Branch Rd. and the width needed. He stated that at some sections it is 16 feet wide and some sections it is wider. Clerk

Southard stated that the average of the width for Powell Bill funds is 16 feet wide. Mayor O'Chat asked the Town Council to think about what they want so that in October we can get quotes for paving.

Department Reports

Finance: Mayor O'Chat stated total cash funds are \$641,025.99.

Budget: Clerk Southard stated that Property Taxes, Motor Vehicle Taxes and Local Sales Tax are all paid through July and that we received the first Utilities Franchise payment for \$12,020.10. She also stated that the annual audit has started.

Planner: Clerk Southard stated that one permit was approved for 104 Forest Line Dr. (new mobile home).

ILA: None

Streets: None

Emergency Manager: None

Town Hall: Councilman Dale fixed the hall restroom door as well as the paper towel holder.

Events: Councilwoman Cannon stated that Week's Farm has us tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 16th. She is still looking into food options.

Miscellaneous Reports/Announcements

Clerk Southard stated that she attended a Grant Writing Class at ECC on September 10 and 11 and it was very informative. She also stated that the Western Carteret Bike & Pedestrian path plan is nearing completion. Lastly, ECC in New Bern is hosting a BBQ Social and has invited the Town Council on October 3rd.

Adjournment

At 6:38 p.m. Councilman Padgett made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Cannon seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

_____ ROBERT O'CHAT, MAYOR

_____ SHAWNE SOUTHARD, TOWN CLERK