

TOWN OF BOGUE
COUNCIL MEETING
March 17, 2025

The Town Council of Bogue met Monday, March 17, 2025, 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, Mike Crose led a prayer.

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

Agenda

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

Minutes

Councilman Taylor made a motion to approve the February 17, 2025, regular meeting minutes. Councilman Dale seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Carteret County Tax Department

Kenny Palmer; Project Manager on Reappraisal for the County, gave a presentation on the reappraisal process that has been done for Carteret County (see attached).

Citizen Comments

Donald Blais at 264 Chimney Branch Rd. asked the Town Council if they could help pay for having power and cable moved from a pole on his property to Chimney Branch Rd. The reason there is a pole in the middle of his property with power and cable is because that is where Chimney Branch Rd. originally ran. In 2016 the Town asked to have the road moved and become a Town street. After much discussion, Mayor O'Chat stated that it is not allowed for a Municipality to pay for anything located on private property.

Unfinished Business

Clerk Southard stated that she has received quotes for new street signs in the Town, after much discussion the Town Council decided to stick with the current type of street signs and to replace the ones that need replacing. The Town Council will get a list of street signs that need to be replaced to the Clerk.

New Business

Clerk Southard stated that Representative Celeste Cairns filed a bill to repeal NC Downzoning which is the request the Town made in the Resolution to Repeal Downzoning of NC Session Law 2024-57 Subpart III-K, Section 3K.1 at their February meeting. Many Towns and Counties have requested the repeal as well.

Department Reports

Finance: Mayor O’Chat stated total cash funds are \$707,148.88.

Budget: Clerk Southard stated that Property Taxes, Motor Vehicle Taxes and Local Sales Tax are paid through January and that the Town received the last quarter of 2024 Utilities Franchise payment.

Planner: Clerk Southard stated that she approved one permit; 121 Honeys Way for an accessory building.

ILA: None

Streets: None

Emergency Manager: None

Town Hall: None

Events: Councilwoman Cannon stated that the Bogue Day committee will be meeting Thursday, 20th.

Miscellaneous Reports/Announcements

Clerk Southard stated she will be late on Monday, April 7th and that the next Town Council meeting will be Monday, April 14th as the regular date is Easter Monday.

Mayor O’Chat stated that the flags and lines on the roads are Brightspeed getting ready to lay cable.

Adjournment

At 6:55 p.m. Councilman Crose made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Cannon seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

_____ ROBERT O’CHAT, MAYOR

_____ SHAWNE SOUTHARD, TOWN CLERK