

## RESOLUTION 2018-01

### BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF ORIENTAL:

**WHEREAS**, each year there are annual events and festivals within the Town limits that require street closings, and

**WHEREAS**, each year the organizers of these events and festivals appear before the Board of Commissioners seeking permission to close the same streets **and/or reserve the Town's Docks**, and;

**WHEREAS**, to facilitate the organization of these annual events and festivals, the Board of Commissioners has created a Resolution hereby granting permission to close certain streets and Town owned facilities as outlined below:

#### **Oriental Police Department Procedures for Closing Town Roads and Facilities during Special Events**

During certain special events in Oriental, some town roads are closed for public safety and to accommodate vendors, pedestrians, and special vehicular traffic.

#### **I. Croaker Festival 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in July**

##### **A. Street Vendors Lou Mac Park - Friday/Saturday/Sunday Event**

1. Partially barricade South Ave. at Neuse St. and within the last block of Freemason, Mildred, High and Vandemere between 2:00 - 6:00 am on Friday, to slow drive-through traffic while vendors set up.
2. Block drive-through traffic at the barricades above except for vendors and residents at 3:30 pm on Friday, in preparation for festivities beginning at 5 pm. Reopen these streets at 11:00 pm after the street dance Friday night.
3. Block the same streets as in #1 by 6 am on Saturday morning. Streets remain closed until completion of fireworks (approximately 10 pm Saturday night). Residents may enter their homes as needed.
4. ~~Hwy 55 bridge is closed at ½ hour 45 minutes before the fireworks begin on Saturday. Bridge is reopened as soon as all foot traffic leaves the bridge.~~  
Hwy 55 at the Robert Scott Bridge will be closed for the fireworks as required by the Fire Marshal. Signs will be posted ahead of the event in order to let the public be aware of the closure.

##### **B. Parade**

1. Close Hodges between S. Water St. and Factory St. 4 hours before parade time.
2. Close Ragan (between Link and Broad) and Lupton (between Gilgo and Ragan) to through traffic one hour before parade time.
3. During the parade, parts of Broad, Hodges, Wall and South Ave are closed to traffic.
4. A detour around the closed portion of Broad St. (Hwy 55) is provided by directing incoming traffic on Hwy 55 traffic down Midyette to Hodges. Police officer is stationed

at the intersection of Hodges and Broad to direct detouring traffic. The detour is reversed for traffic incoming across the bridge.

## **II. Spirit of Christmas 2<sup>nd</sup> Weekend in December**

### **A. Flotilla – Friday night and Saturday Night**

1. Parking is allowed all along South Ave. during the Friday night flotilla which starts at 5:30 pm.
2. Close Hodges St. between Factory and S. Water St. at ~~5:30~~ 4:45pm for the lighting of the Christmas Star at the Town Dock, this starts at ~~6:30~~ 5:00pm.
3. During this weekend, rafting is permitted at the Town Dock except on the East side of the dock (next to the Oriental Marina).
4. Town Dock# 1 is reserved for small boat flotilla participants ONLY from Friday noon until Saturday Noon.
5. Town Dock #2 is reserved for the large boat flotilla ONLY from Friday 12PM until Sunday 12 PM. Town Dock #1 is reserved from Saturday Noon until Sunday Noon.

### **B. Parade – Saturday Afternoon**

1. Close Hodges between S. Water St. and Factory St. ~~4~~ 2 hours before parade time.
2. Close Ragan (between Link and Broad) and Lupton (between Gilgo and Ragan) to through traffic one hour before parade time.
3. During the parade, Broad, Hodges, Wall and part of South Ave are closed to traffic.
4. A detour around the closed portion of Broad St. (Hwy 55) is provided by directing incoming traffic on Hwy 55 traffic down Midyette to Hodges. Police officer is stationed at the intersection of Hodges and Broad to direct detouring traffic. The detour is reversed for traffic incoming across the bridge.
5. Streets reopen as parade passes.

## **III. Chinese New Year Dragon Run - Hodges St. (S. Water St. to Factory St.)**

1. Close route ~~4~~ 2 hr before parade time.
2. Remain closed through second Dragon Run.
3. Reopen street to traffic approximately 1:00 am.

## **IV. Arts Festival Hodges St. (S. Water St. to Factory St.) Mother's Day weekend**

1. Close street at midnight the preceding evening.
2. Reopen street after event is over (approximately 4 pm)

## **V. Oriental Cup Regatta Hodges St. – (Town Docks)**

1. ~~Allow exclusive~~ Reserve use of the Town Docks during the Regatta.
2. Allow rafting except on the East side of ~~the~~ Town dock #1 (next to the Oriental Marina).

## **VI. Michelob Cup/Oar Race- (Town Docks)**

1. Reserve Town Docks for participants only.
2. Allow rafting except on the East Side of Town Dock #1(next to the Oriental Marina)

## **VII. Car Show (October)**

1. Close South Ave and feeder Streets at South Avenue according to the projections provided by organizers, (projections and request no later than one month prior to the event). This allows for expansion or contraction of the event.
2. Reopen all streets 15 minutes after awards are presented.

**VIII. OP' Front Porch Music Festival (October)**

1. Close South Avenue and feeder streets from South Avenue to First Ave. according to request presented to the Board no later than one month prior to the event. This allows flexibility as the event expands/contracts.
2. Reopen all streets except Freemason prior to headliner event concert.
3. Reopen all streets 15 minutes following headliner concert.

**Town Staff will notify businesses on any street closing for these events at least one week in advance of the event.**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Oriental Town Board of Commissioners of the Town of Oriental, North Carolina that the document, "Procedures for Closing Town Roads and Facilities during Events" is hereby accepted.

**Duly adopted this 2nd day of January 2018, by the Town Board of Commissioners of the Town of Oriental.**

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Sally Belangia, Mayor

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Diane H. Miller, Town Manager/Clerk