

DRAFT
Town of Oriental, NC
Harbor Waterfronts Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes – August 9, 2018

A quorum being present, Ms. Lisa Thompson called the meeting to order at 8:05AM. Present were Ms. Lisa Thompson, Mr. Pat Stockwell and Mr. Walter Vick. Commissioner present was Ms. Diane Simmons. Town Manager, Ms. Diane Miller, and Mr. Lew Smith were also present.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Upon motion of Mr. Stockwell with a second by Mr. Vick the minutes of the April 30, May 7, May 10, May 21, May 30, June 7, June 11, June 14, June 21, June 26 and July 12 meetings were unanimously approved.

Old Business

Status of Current Projects:

- Small watercraft racks – constructed, installed and waiting on locks
- Harbor Master proposal – waiting on attorney input
- Pump out – out of order due to a Duke Energy electrical problem in the underground line
- Net House – Sandy Winfrey agreed to be contractor for project and has a plan; possible issue with pecan tree

Status NCDEQ & Golden Leaf Grant Applications

- NC DEQ Grant Application – application submitted 29 June; waiting on September DEQ grant award update
- Golden Leaf Grant Application – Grant awarded 2 August; awaiting deed recorded for funds transfer; Ms. Miller and Ms. Thompson to meet with Golden Leaf staff on 15 August re: requirements and reporting. NCCF will be filing for a grant for the living shoreline restoration with the US Fish & Wildlife Service.

Committee Vacancy

- One application received and reviewed – applicant was ineligible due to residency requirement. Applicant has offered his services as a volunteer for the Committee and its tasks. Members were encouraged to seek interested individuals.

NEW BUSINESS

Report from Duke Environmental Law & Policy Clinic

The report, Derelict Vessels and Dirty Dischargers – Protecting Oriental's Waters, was distributed to all Committee members. All members were asked to review the report and be prepared to discuss it and the steps suggested.

Whittaker Creek Dredging Funds

Members were baffled and there was much discussion as to why the principals of The Friends of Whittaker

Creek and the businesses on the creek have not submitted funds to the Town's Dredging Fund. Ms. Miller

will meet with some of the principals and Ms. Thompson will meet with Mr. Deaton. Mr. Smith stated his concerns and those echoed by other residents that businesses on Whitaker Creek had not made any

DRAFT

donations to the Fund.

Committee Member Comments

No individual member comments were made.

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35AM with the next meeting scheduled for 13 September at 8:00AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Thompson, Chairman - HWAC

Draft

Town of Oriental, NC Harbor Waterfronts Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – May 24, 2018

With a quorum of the Committee being present, Ms. Lisa Thompson called the meeting to order at 8:10AM. Also present were Mr. Pat Stockwell, Mr. Jim Blackerby and Town Manager, Diane Miller.

NCDEQ GRANT APPLICATION ASSISTANCE

Ms. Miller reported on the following progress:

- Conference call to spread word of need for funding
- Rough numbers from Cahoon Construction – 2 tons granite/linear ft up \$650,000
- Hauling fill \$150,000-\$200,000
- Can Pierce Creek spoils be used?
- Copy plans for NCCCF Hatteras living shoreline project
- Need for CAMA pre-application meeting

Discussion continued among all re: requirements for grant application:

- Set up and define phases
 - Phase 1 – Engineering & permitting
 - Phase 2 – Saving breeches
 - Phase 3 – River side – living shoreline
 - Phase 4 – Creek side – living shoreline
 - Phase 5 – Breakwater (like Oriental Harbor) to protect creek long term
- In-kind match items
 - Land – appraisal/versus tax value
 - Soil
 - Administrative time
- Graphics?
- Prior denials of protection

Without objection the Committee recessed at 9:15 to meet 30 May at 8AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Thompson, Chairman HWAC

To: Oriental Town Board

From: Debra Khouri, BRMSD Board Member

Re: The Bay River Metropolitan Sewerage District Board at its monthly meeting held on October 18, 2018

Actions taken:

Sewer adjustments caused by the hurricane will not count as a customer's one allowed adjustment per year.

The board approved the bids for new trucks to be purchased.

Other Items:

Bay River has suffered damage to the spray field. Many trees are down and ditches are blocked and destroyed. Costs for repair and removal are roughly estimated to be in the \$150,000 to \$250,000 range. This is just a preliminary estimate and could change significantly as the work progresses.

In Oriental, the lift station by the town beach was damaged. The Engineers may require that a reinforced concrete wall replace the decorative block wall which did not stand up to the force of the water.

The District will also work on funding to raise List Station #6 behind the bank. This was badly flooded in the storm.

Repair costs in Oriental estimated in the \$150,000 range.