



ORIENTAL PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

Wednesday, January 18, 2023 3:00PM
Oriental Town Hall – 507 Church Street, Oriental, NC

CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM

Meeting was called to order at 3:00PM with Chairman Rahm, and Members Quigley and DeWeese and new member Crothers to be sworn in. Member Stone had an excused absence.. LUA Miller was present. Commissioners Frank Roc, Charlie Overcash, were also present.

Agenda Approval:

November 30, 2022 Minutes for approval. Member Quigley makes the MOTION to approve the minutes. Member DeWeese seconds. 3-0

NEW BUSINESS: Member Carl Crothers is sworn in by the Clerk.

OLD BUSINESS

- **CAMA Land Use Plan**-Allison has recombined the old draft with all the workshop comments and adjustments into a draft document. Thanks Commissioner Roe for photographs. Chair wants to go through one page at a time, answer questions, make sure the charts and maps are consistent.
- 1st note- change to 2023 revision.
- Change 40 years to 60 years.
- Citation needed- Diane will send to Allison
- Numbering- remove 2.whatever- those need to go away.
- Original plan approved in 2004 (1998 was GMO)
- Mobile Home rules changed significantly in 2016.
- Risk of bike/pedestrian paths- adjusted
- Commissioner Roe- large commercial areas for sale- sale can change complexion.
- Traffic and pollution remain concerns.
- Development and potential overdevelopment constitutes a threat to environment and estuaries. Some of this needs to go into the Comprehensive Plan.
- Return on investment needs to be appropriate. Reality on the return needs to be apparent to the current owners.
- GMO revision addressed concerns at water's edge.
- Living document- all addressed on a regular basis.
- Fishing pier- plus another Public Dock since 2004 version- rebuilt in 2019 to make it ADA accessible.
- Future parking needs are a concern- especially at NC Wildlife ramp.
- Change to procuring and protecting (?)~~(defining)~~ more small boat access points.
- Undeveloped subdivisions- setting green space aside- once platted, we can't require. Water and Drainage to be addressed at the FRONT end.

- Discussion about stormwater utility- funded dependent on impervious surface- then we are responsible for ALL. AGAIN- does extra green space work for the drainage issue? Only applies to those already platted.
- Using a new heading-new development- concerns of drainage and pathways.
- Recent water plant upgrades.
- Page 6- residuals too low to impact.
- Road infrastructure- remove for damage sustained.
- Drainage has been an ongoing issue for more than 20 years.
- Stormwater maps updated 2017.
- GMO repealed and replaced 2016.
- Terraforming- changing the grade of the land of the parcel.
- Tree Board- other Boards? Planning left out- active and progressive.
- Clean Water Act-low impact development, best management practices.
- Pet waste stations to curb runoff of that.
- Beach drainage upgrade- beach to river, dog park, investigation of potential new land?
- Charts completed in workshops- natural hazards corrected.
- Community Vision, pg16, 18- intentionally vague.
- Mooring field to come out with additional dockage.
- Maps are attached, appendices will also be attached at the end. Separate document that is a table of contents. Decide which of the two tables you prefer. Julie prefers Page 23.
- Should appendices and charts be at the end? YES.
- Definitions that perhaps should be added to the existing.
- Must also note the date it went to Public Hearing and date approved.
- MOTION to request a Public Hearing for March meeting: Member DeWeese makes the Motion, Member Crothers seconds. 4-0.

Other Business not on the agenda: Something that has slipped through several meetings. Allison nominates Tom Quigley as Vice Chair. Member Crothers seconds. 4-0.

- **ADJOURN:** Chair Rahm asks for a MOTION to adjourn. Tom Quigley makes the MOTION. Member DeWeese seconds. 4-0.

Next Meeting scheduled for – 3:00PM

Julie Rahm, Chair

Diane H. Miller, Clerk to the Board/LUA

Town of Oriental

Harbor and Waterfront Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes from January 12, 2023

The meeting was called to order @ 8:00am, in the Town Hall Meeting room by Chairperson Jim Blackerby with the following in attendance:

Pat Stockwell- Committee Person
Dan Allen- Committee Person (on telephone)
David Szerlag – Committee Person
Don McGuire- Committee Person, Secretary
David White- Councilman
Diane Miller- Town Manager
Marsha, Committee Chair of Tourism Committee
Jenny, Potential Committee Person for HWAC

The minutes from December 8, 2022 . Motion to approve David S, seconded by Dan Allen. All in favor.

Comments

Diane Miller restated the policy on shutting off water to HWAC docks in preparation for freezing weather.

Diane Miller advised that the Net House is almost totally finished. Still open is a sign, and furniture (both inside and outside). The Town will place the pamphlet holder and business card holder as well as a cork board.

Camera and associated equipment has been ordered.

We do not have a schedule for the cupalo.

The Net House will be locked the cameras are up.

The Ribbon cutting will probably be held in March.

David S is looking into a Map for the Net House showing Town businesses and high lights.

Tourism and History will join HWAC and tour the Net House.

Reports

Re the Boat lift: CAMA issues permits, The Town can comment only. No permit has been requested yet.

Hodges Street, The preliminary Design is still in progress.

There was a liquid spill in Whiakar Creek. NRC was advised as well as the Coast Guard. Both investigated the situation.

Active projects

Dan Allen, re the Kayak launcher. The major permit request is still pending.

Town waterway, jurisdiction. The Town and HWAC are still waiting on information regarding Pamlico County progress on this issue. The Town has requested this update.

Re signage for town places of interest – no progress reported.

Dan Allen reported on Whittaker Creek dredging, Pierce Creek is planning on dredging during the winter of 2023-2024.

David White reported on the importance of Oriental being up to date with Active Captain. HWAC and Tourism to meet on changes and updates for Active Captain. Membership in Active Captain is required and costs \$26 to \$30 per year.

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 by Mr Blackerby.

Respectfully
Don McGuire