



ORIENTAL TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, June 9, 2026 @ 6PM

507 Church Street, Oriental, NC

Mayor Pro Tempore Paul Jordan Officiating

1. Approval of Agenda

2. Public Comment: *Each speaker is asked to limit comments to three (3) minutes. **Please wait to be recognized by the Mayor prior to speaking.** Direct comments to the full board, not to an individual board member or staff member. Although the Board is interested in hearing your concerns, speakers should not expect Board action or deliberation on subject matter brought up during the Public Comment segment. Topics requiring further investigation will be referred to the appropriate town officials or staff and may be scheduled for a future agenda.*

3. Public Hearing Budget 2026-2027: (Tab 1) *The proposed budget for the 2026-2027 Fiscal Year was delivered to the Town Board by May 29, 2026 as required by Statute and was made available for public viewing at the same time. The Budget and schedules for the upcoming year may be approved following the Public Hearing. The Board has proposed no changes to the Fee Schedule (Chapter S) and has set the tax rate at \$.16/\$100, down from \$.22/\$100. The Board feels this is a fiscally responsible budget, fully funding all committee proposed projects, adding one additional Public Works employee, and serving the residents of Oriental as they have requested service.*

4. Consent Agenda: (Tab 2):

- Approve Minutes from Town Board Regular Meeting 5-12-26
- Approve Minutes from Town Board Budget Meeting #1, 4-22-26
- Approve Minutes from Town Board Budget Meeting #2, 5-1-26
- Approve Minutes from Town Board Budget Meeting #3, 5-14-26
- Approve Minutes from Town Board Budget Meeting #4, 6-3-26

5. Aux Board reports (Tab 3)

Parks and Recreation 6/2/26

Planning 3/18/26 and 4/15/26

WAB 4/1/26

6. Audit Contract: (Tab 4) *The contract with Ms. Cindy Randolph for Audit services for the 2025-2026 FY is attached for your review. Manager needs a Motion to allow the Mayor, Manager, and Finance Officer to fully execute the document.*

7. Appointments: (Tab 5) **This item has been moved to the June 25 meeting. All applications attached for review by the Board.**

8. Chapter F-Traffic (Tab 6): *As discussed at their May 2026 meeting, proposed amendments to the traffic Ordinance is included to remove parking on the North side of Church St in total and to restrict parking at Lupton park within 20 feet of the center of driveways facing the park, in order to provide safe backing to those residents.*

9. Manager's Report: (Tab 7): *Financial report included. Still awaiting a date for our annual Hurricane Prep education, we will likely be putting forth an Emergency Ops plan for HEAT as recommended by FEMA, Croaker Festival Plans are moving forward, NCDEQ fines for elevated copper have been concluded (documents attached), Legislation has 2 items on the November ballot- limiting property tax increases and limiting income tax increases (documents attached).*

10. Budget Amendment: (Tab 8): *Additional funds into Tourism for approved advertisement*

11. Police Report (Tab 9): *Attached for review*

12. Tree Discussion (Tab 10): *Dr. Miller advised removing tree from Lupton Park. Mr. Rasmussen privately contracted certified Arborist to assess said tree. Report received. Additional discussion ensued. Correspondence included. Tree currently roped off at Lupton Park.*

13. Mayor and Commissioners Comments

13. Adjourn Next meetings scheduled: June 25, 2026, 9AM (Balancing the budget) July 14, 2026