

Town of Oriental – Board of Commissioners Meeting and Public Hearings  
November 3, 2010

The Oriental Town Board of Commissioners met on Wednesday, November 3, 2010, at 7:00 pm at the Oriental Town Hall.

Present were: Mayor Sage and Commissioners Venturi, Roe, Johnson and Bohmert  
Interim Town Manager Maxbauer and Recording Secretary Wagoner  
Town Staff Artley  
Town Attorney Davis  
Planning Board members Marlowe and Sage  
10 members of the public

Mayor Sage established quorum, opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES –**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Bohmert made a motion to approve the August 26, 2010 Closed Session minutes. Second by Commissioner Venturi. Vote 4-0.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Bohmert made a motion to approve the September 7, 2010 Closed Session minutes. Second by Commissioner Johnson. Vote 4-0.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Bohmert made a motion to approve the September 30, 2010 Agenda Workshop minutes with corrections. Second by Commissioner Johnson. Vote 4-0.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Bohmert made a motion to approve the October 5, 2010 Continued Agenda Workshop meeting. Second by Commissioner Johnson. Vote 4-0.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Bohmert made a motion to approve the October 5, 2010 Town Board Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Commissioner Roe. Vote 4-0.

Approval of the September 30, 2010 Agenda Workshop Closed Session and the October 21, 2010 Special Meeting minutes was postponed until the December 2, 2010 Agenda Workshop.

**PUBLIC HEARING - ANNEXATION REQUEST/SILOS -** As Mayor Sage is the attorney for the owners of the Silos;

**MOTION:** Commissioner Venturi made a motion to excuse Mayor Sage from participating in the Public Hearings. Second by Commissioner Johnson. Vote 4-0.

Interim Mayor Pro-tem Bohmert opened the Public Hearing to take comments.

1. Mr. Al Herlands of 2115 White Farm Road spoke in favor of the annexation.

There being no further public comments;

**MOTION:** Commissioner Venturi made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Second by Commissioner Johnson. Vote 4-0.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Venturi made a motion to adopt the resolution to extend the corporate limits of the Town of Oriental. Second by Commissioner Johnson. Vote 4-0.

**PUBLIC HEARING - ZONING OF THE SILOS PROPERTY** - Interim Mayor Pro-tem Bohmert opened the Public Hearing to take comments.

1. Mr. Al Herlands of 2115 of White Farm spoke in favor of zoning the property MU.

There being no further public comments;

**MOTION:** Commissioner Roe made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Second by Commissioner Venturi. Vote 4-0.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Venturi made a motion to adopt the ordinance with the recommended zoning of the Silos property as MU. Second by Commissioner Roe. Vote 4-0.

**GENERAL ORDINANCE AMENDMENT -**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Bohmert made a motion to adopt the ordinance to move the Personnel Ordinance into the General Ordinances as Section P. Second by Commissioner Roe. Vote 4-0.

**ROAD DEDICATION -**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Bohmert made a motion to accept the road dedication of the end of White Farm Road where it meets Maritime Drive. Second by Commissioner Johnson. Vote 4-0.

**TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT** - Mr. Davis stated that the migration of the terminus of South Avenue, as it turns to Avenue A, now cuts across Mr. Lacy Henry's property and needs to be addressed as Mr. Henry would like the matter resolved. The Board agreed to go into closed session later in the meeting to discuss the matter.

**INTERIM TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT** - Mayor Sage introduced Mr. Bob Maxbauer, the new interim town manager. Mr. Maxbauer presented a new form he would like to introduce to the town office to be used to track and monitor any issues brought to the office by citizens. He would also like to bring in the technology needed to use power point during town meetings.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD** - None

**PLANNING BOARD REPORT** - Mr. Marlowe was present to give the report (a copy of it, ref: October 26, 2010 minutes, is attached to these minutes).

**LRPCII REPORT** - Mrs. Sage reported that the committee is still working on compiling the data they have received and still awaiting the Parks & Rec Committee's information. They have also begun working with the boards and committees on getting their goals and objectives spelled out.

**BAY RIVER REPORT** - Mrs. Khouri was present to add an addendum to her report on the October 21, 2010 Bay River meeting (her report and the addendum are attached to these minutes). A Special Meeting was called on October 28, 2010 at which time Mr. Wyatt Cutler was hired to serve as a part time administrator after Mr. Art Hough's resignation from Bay River. She stated that her reports are for informational purposes only and are unofficial until the minutes are approved by the Bay River Board.

**PARKS & REC COMMITTEE REPORTS** - A copy of the reports, ref: October 13, 2010 and October 20, 2010, Minutes, is attached to these minutes.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Venturi made a motion to authorize the Parks & Rec Committee, with the assistance of town staff, to do a feasibility study for a possible public dock off of the South Avenue right-of-way. Second by Commissioner Johnson. Vote 3-1 with Commissioner Bohmert voting no.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Venturi made a motion for she and Commissioner Roe to enter into exploratory negotiations with the owner of The Wit's End toward the possibility of the Town acquiring the property. Second by Commissioner Roe. Vote 3-1 with Commissioner Bohmert voting no.

**TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT -**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Bohmert made a motion to go into closed session in accordance with G.S. 143-318.11(a)(3). Second by Commissioner Roe. Vote 4-0.

--- CLOSED SESSION ---

**TOURISM REPORT** - A copy of the report, ref: October 27, 2010 minutes, is attached to these minutes.

**TREE BOARD REPORT** - A copy of the report, ref. October 5, 2010 minutes, is attached to these minutes.

**POLICE REPORT** - A copy of the report, ref. Month of October, is attached to these minutes.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS** - A copy of the statements is attached to these minutes. Commissioner Johnson requested a new line item be added for the interim town manager payroll - it will be #52110.

**COMMISSIONER'S COMMENT PERIOD** - Commissioner Johnson inquired about the new addition to the Steamer Restaurant. Mrs. Artley reported that the owner was sent a letter and he came in to get a permit . Commissioner Roe reported that the ads for the new town manager have been running in the newspapers.

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS** - No new items.

There being no further business to discuss;

**MOTION:** Commissioner Bohmert made the motion to adjourn. Second by Commissioner Johnson. Vote 4-0.

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William R. Sage, Mayor

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Robert J. Maxbauer, Interim Town Manager