

Town of Oriental – Board of Commissioners Agenda Workshop  
April 30, 2009

The Oriental Town Board of Commissioners met on Thursday, April 30 at 4:30 pm at the Oriental Town Hall.

Present were: Mayor Sage and Commissioners Bohmert, Cox, Kellam, Inger and Styron  
3 members of the public

Mayor Sage opened the workshop and started off by requesting to change one of the budget workshop dates to Wed. May 12 at 5:00 pm. and by informing the board that Attorney Scott Davis will attend the Tuesday meeting.

MANAGER'S REPORT - Mr. Cahoon read the memo he wrote and noted one correction he will make.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - In an effort to reduce paper waste, the board was asked to bring back the paperwork from last month's meeting, and reviewed the procedure for the public comment period. It was agreed that people will be limited to 2 minute comments and may speak only once. At the discretion of the mayor there will be a second comment period at the end of the meeting.

PLANNING BOARD – The board requested that the Planning Board submit a recommendation for the change in definition of B&B's.

TOURISM BOARD - Changing the number of board members back to 5 was discussed as was occupancy tax and the pros and cons and possibility of having it repealed.

BAY RIVER REPORT – Commissioner Inger stated that part of the decision to withdraw Port Vandemere's permit was that the impact fees for the 15 sites that were permitted would cost them \$102,000 and the appraisal for the property they were going to borrow money against came back too low, and they already owe back taxes.

POLICE REPORT – Commissioner Kellam will have an updated police boat policy for the meeting. She would also like to revise the General Ordinance in regards to the police department's chain of command. The board discussed the \$800 donation the Oriental Boat Show wants to give to the town for the police boat repairs. Two topics were added to this portion of the agenda; (1) discuss the police boat and (2) marking Chief Casassa's car.

The board discussed areas where 'no parking' curb painting needs to be done. Mr. Hugh Grady, owner of the Inn at Oriental on Church St., requested that the east side of Church St. be

designated as No Parking from the curb at the intersection of Church and Broad and extend down 8 feet past his driveway.

COMMISSIONER COMMENT PERIOD – Commissioner Inger stated that there’s been an increase in speeders on her street.

There being no further business;

MOTION: Commissioner Bohmert made the motion to adjourn. Second by Commissioner Cox. Vote 5-0.

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William Sage, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Randall Cahoon, Town Manager