

Town of Oriental – Board of Commissioners Agenda Workshop
July 29, 2010

The Town Board of Commissioners met on Thursday, July 29 2010, at 4:30 pm at the Oriental Town Hall.

Present were: Mayor Sage and Commissioners Styron, Venturi, Johnson, Roe and Bohmert
Interim Town Clerk Artley

Mayor Sage opened the Agenda Workshop.

#2 PUBLIC HEARING - Mayor Sage reported that Mr. Friedman requested a delay in discussing his rezoning request as he was unable to attend the Planning Board meeting. The Planning Board deferred its discussion on the matter until their August 31, 2010, meeting. The Public Hearing will go on as scheduled and comments will be taken although no action will be taken until the Planning Board submits its recommendation. The Public Hearing will be continued until the September 7, 2010, meeting. Mrs. Madeline Sutter submitted a petition in opposition to the rezoning.

#4 SURVEYORS FOR SOUTH WATER STREET - Four people responded to the letter sent out to the property owners requesting their input on which surveyor to hire.

#3 TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT - Mr. Davis will not be attending the Tuesday, August 3, 2010, meeting.

#4 TOWN CLERK'S REPORT -

1. The Board discussed the Parade Permit and its fee. Action will be taken on Tuesday to change the permit.
2. Postcard Billing - The Board discussed returning to postcard water billing. Action will be taken on Tuesday night.
3. Water Plant - Commissioner Johnson reported that he took a tour of the water plant and, in order to get the break room finished, he proposed using a gas tax refund recently received and to decrease the number of radio read meters budgeted for and divert that money towards the completion of the Public Work's break room. Mrs. Artley was directed to get three bids for the project, making sure the contractors have workman's comp insurance.
4. Mrs. Artley reported that Mr. Hartwell Wright of NCLM is willing to come talk to the Board about the different forms of government and about how to affectively advertise, interview and verify credentials of a new town manager. She was directed to schedule the meeting as soon as possible.
5. Water billing charge offs - This was discussed and action will be taken on Tuesday night. Commissioner Roe will work with Mrs. Artley on a charge-off policy.

#12 BAY RIVER REPORT - The Board discussed appointing Mrs. Debra Khouri as a temporary replacement for Mrs. Nancy Inger. Action will be taken on Tuesday night. The Board also discussed the Bay River billing fee.

#14 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Commissioner Venturi modified the statements to add more information.

There being no further business to discuss:

MOTION: Commissioner Johnson made the motion to adjourn. Second by Commissioner Venturi. Vote 5-0. Meeting ended at 6:30 pm.

William R. Sage, Mayor

Heidi Artley, Interim Town Clerk