

Town of Oriental
Town Board Retreat
March 22, 2014

The Town of Oriental held its second day of its annual Retreat on Saturday, March 22, 2014 at 8:30 AM at Pamlico Community College. Mayor Sage determined a quorum to be present, and called the meeting to order.

PRESENT: Mayor Sage, Commissioners Overcash, White, Venturi, Summers and Winfrey, Town Manager Miller, Assistant Town Manager Artley, Former Town Manager Cutler, Deputy Town Clerk Beyer and public.

The Board began with a review of yesterday's discussions and presentations. The Public Works department's budgetary concerns were discussed, and increase of water rates to cover these concerns. Commissioner Venturi suggested implementing a ten-year plan to ensure manageable water rates for the townspeople. An analysis of the radio read meters was suggested to ensure cost effectiveness.

The prudence of having a Capital Improvement was discussed and the possibility of creating an ordinance to cover a 'rainy day fund' for sudden, unexpected large purchases.

The Town Board was tasked with compiling their lists of budget items into a priority list. The list would be Must Have, Want to Have, and Nice to Have. The list would then be combined to better prioritize the 2014-2015 budget creation.

MOTION: Commissioner Summers made a Motion to send a check in the amount of \$100 to the College Foundation Fund as a thank you for allowing the Town Board to use the facilities free of charge. Commissioner Venturi seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Summers made a Motion to adjourn. Commissioner Venturi seconded. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 AM.

Bill Sage, Mayor

Diane Miller, Town Manager