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### Town of Oriental, NC Harbor Waterfronts Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes – 9 December 2021

With a quorum being present, Ms. Lisa Thompson called the meeting to order at 8:05AM. Present were Lisa Thompson, Jim Blackerby by phone, Pat Stockwell, Dan Allen, Don McGuire, Commissioners David White and Sandy Winfrey (new liaison) and Town Manager, Diane Miller. Commissioner Frank Roe was present as a citizen.

#### **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Upon motion of Don McGuire with a second by Dan Allen the minutes of the 12 August 2021, 9 September 2021, 22 September 2021 and 14 October 2021 meetings were approved.

#### **Status of Current Projects:**

- **Net House**

Mr. McGuire gave a brief review of the work to be done to restore the Net House and the delays due to lack of workers. The problem at this point is the need for professional contractors to complete the restoration work. Ms. Miller clarified that if contractors are being paid then a general contractor is needed. She also set out the bid process: if under \$30,000 then no bid necessary; and if greater than \$30,000 then an informal bid process can be used.

Following discussions the Committee came up with a plan: (1) establish an exact as possible materials list; (2) interview several contractors – Moises, David Sawyer, Keith Tyndall; and (3) let bid for restoration with low bid being accepted.

Upon motion of Don McGuire with a second by Dan Allen the Committee unanimously approved Diane Miller, Town Manager, as fiscal agent for the project.

- **Street Ends and Benches**

Mr. Allen reported that some additional rip rap may be needed at the end of Wall Street. Ms. Miller queried whether some structure needed to be placed before placing additional rock. Mr. Roe added that he had some extra seawall pieces that he would donate. It was questioned whether permits will be needed for the repairs. More research will be needed prior to proceeding.

- **Floating Dock**

The Committee discussed issues of other groups moving and using the floating dock. A blanket agreement would need to be approved by the attorney to relieve Town of any liability.

- **Jurisdiction**

With the State Legislature having adjourned, pursuing the jurisdiction issue will have to wait until they reconvene in the spring.

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### New Business

- **Kayak Launcher**

People are using the shoreline to launch kayaks rather than carry their kayaks down the pier to the floating dock. The shoreline is eroding because of all the foot traffic to launch. Discussion over kayak launcher, potential to the south of the existing launch pier, but the old bridge debris is there. Need to check, may also want to tryout old, small kayak launcher before spending money on a big one, although not many people kayaking until spring, so need to wait to test the small launcher. A commercial sized launch with rollers would cost between \$17,000-\$33,000, not including installation.

- **Living Shoreline**

As Mr. Blackerby was present by telephone, his presentation was carried over to the January meeting.

### Member Comments

Commissioner White asked Mr. Blackerby to invite the Commissioners to take a tour of the restoration of Whittaker Pointe.

Mr. Blackerby advised that the line was taken from one of the throw rings.

Mr. Allen advised that a new net was need at Town Dock #2.

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45AM with the next meeting scheduled for 13 January at 8AM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lisa Thompson