

Town of Oriental, NC  
Harbor Waterfronts Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes – July 11, 2019

With a quorum being present, Ms. Lisa Thompson called the meeting to order.

Present were Ms. Lisa Thompson, Commissioner Diane Simmons; Town Manager, Ms. Diane Miller; Mr. Don McGuire, Mr. Pat Stockwell, Mr. Jim Blackerby, and Mr. Dan Allen.

Minutes from May 9 and June 13, 2019 meetings were adopted.

Whittaker Pointe discussion: From Lisa Thompson. The permit should be submitted soon. The next stage is bidding. A potential additional financial source is being researched.

Whittaker Creek dredging: From Lisa Thompson.

- 1) Fund raising efforts are getting the project closer to goal. We are \$12K short
- 2) As an ongoing concern, we will need a Non Profit Organization to continue this dredging effort into the future. That effort will require a group of concerned people to oversee the effort. Dan Allen will look into possible volunteers for that purpose.
- 3) A spoil site will be needed. Sea Harbour's spoil site is a possibility. It is already CAMA approved. Some elementary numbers were discussed. i.e., pipe dredge = \$8 to \$9 per foot plus versus \$11 to \$13 per yard for the bucket dredge.
- 4) Approximately \$400 will be needed for the dredging permit. Concern was raised over some docks in Whittaker Creek being in disrepair. Inspection may be needed.

The charging station and the lift at Town Dock #2 still need to be replaced/repaired.

Life rings for the 5 Town Docks were discussed and were found to be a significant safety item. Prices will be obtained and the Committee approved purchase of \$1500 to \$2000.

The fishing pier is up and running. It is used most days.

The benches will be replaced soon. The new benches are currently being stored at the Town yard.

The Town has been gifted a kayak launcher. An appropriate site will be determined.

The Floating Dock was discussed. We may be able to attach the town's requirement to a Camp's purchase, saving considerable money. Our goal is to get it in place by next spring.

Storm preparedness information is progressing.

Chairperson Thompson closed the meeting.

Next meeting will focus of detail of the Abandoned and Derelict Boats issues.

Respectfully submitted by Don McGuire

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Don McGuire', written in a cursive style.