

Town of Oriental, NC
Harbor Waterfronts Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes – 9 July 2020

With a quorum being present, Ms. Lisa Thompson called the meeting to order at 8AM. Present were Lisa Thompson, Commissioner Diane Simmons, Commissioner David White, Town Manager Diane Miller, Jim Blackerby, Pat Stockwell, Don McGuire and Dan Allen.

Status of Current Projects

- a. Whittaker Point Restoration –
Diane Miller reported that the restoration, dropping rock, is underway and going well. She is working Golden Leaf and NCDEQ on setting up plans for smoother payment/cash flow.
- b. Abandoned/Disabled Vessels –
Diane Miller reported that with the Legislature out of session and the various Covid-19 issues, the work of getting local legislation passed is currently on hold.
- c. Pelican Award –
Lisa Thompson reported and congratulated Diane Miller as the recipient of the NC Conservation Commission's Pelican Award for her work on obtaining the funding and making the Whittaker Restoration Project a reality. The award will be bestowed virtually on 6 August.
- d. Net House –
Don Maguire reported on the status of the Net House restoration. He has met with Sandy Winfrey who has agreed to be the contractor for the project. Don shared proposed project drawings with the committee, explained the project and answered questions. Don and Sandy will be putting together a budget for the project. At this point the plan is to begin work after the height of hurricane season has passed.

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 9 AM with the next meeting scheduled for 13 August at 8:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Thompson

Can you add this to the July Minutes:

Dan Allen reported The Friends of Whittaker Creek organization received Nonprofit 501(c)3 designation by the IRS and was also assigned a Federal ID#. As a result, the Town transferred the remaining dredging donation funds to the Friends of Whittaker Creek organization for use in future Whittaker Creek maintenance projects.

Dan