

Agenda
Ocracoke Waterways Commission (OWC) Meeting
Community Center, Ocracoke
Monday Jan. 29, 2018 at 5:30 pm

Call to Order

Roll Call:

Public Comment:

Approval of minutes: Dec. 18, 2017 meeting

Presenters:

- NCDOT Ferry Updates:
 - Update from NCDOT Ferry Div. staff on surveys of Hatters/Ocracoke Ferry route and next steps to implement study to evaluate shorter route option.
 - Discussion on exploring new locations for dredge spoil and future needs for dredging of non-federal portions of ferry channel (sloop channel).
- Ocracoke Planning Board recent meeting outcomes: Summary of discussion and recommendations regarding Brunswick County's Boat Ordinance by Chairman Steve Wilson.
 - OWC Board discussion on recommended changes voted on by Planning Board.
 - OWC Board vote to adopt Planning Board's modifications to the Brunswick County's Ordinance language and send it to the Hyde County lawyer to complete a draft ordinance for Silver Lake Harbor.

Board Discussion and action items:

- NC Legislature's Program Evaluation Division's recommendation to reduce off season crossings and toll hikes to the Hatteras/Ocracoke, Swan Quarter and Cedar Island ferry routes:
 - OWC Board vote on scheduling a special public meeting to discuss drafting a letter of response to be sent to key legislators.
 - OWC Board vote to recommend Hyde County Commissioners pass resolution against changes to off season ferry schedules and toll increases.
- Letter to NC Ferry Div.: Give Board members opportunity to provide input on letter that is ready to be sent to Harold Thomas supporting the Ferry Divisions efforts to begin a study to analyze dredging new channel to shorten Hatteras/Ocracoke ferry route.

Public Comment:

Adjournment: Next meeting Feb. 19, 2017