ORA Meeting Minutes – November 16, 2016

1. Business Meeting: These docs can be found at www.ogunquitresdients.com
	1. First by-laws were adopted, defining ORA as an independent organization.
	2. Interim treasurers report was presented.
	3. Fiscal year set at July 1-June 30.
	4. ORA founder & Chairperson Roger W. Brown stepped down as planned. Elected Madeline Mooney Brown as Chair and David Riccio as Vice Chair.
2. Team Progress Reports and discussion on Seasonal Rentals, Congestion/Parking, Cost of Tourism analysis, and Design review by Planning Board.
3. ORA sent a mailing to all town mailboxes with our votedpositions on Town warrant articles two weeks before the Nov election. A few days later, another mailing was sent of the same size, bright yellow color, stock, and font titled “Vote Yes on 3” and signed “Members of the Ogunquit Residents Alliance”. However, the ORA members had voted 4 Yes and 57 No on Article 3, the restoration of the OVS. Many residents told us they were confused and shocked at the deception. At the ORA meeting, Ms. Boriana Dolliver took responsibility for this second mailing stating it was truthful because she is a member of ORA. ORA will take additional steps in the future to protect against confusing citizens.
4. Whats on Your mind? THESE ARE NOT ORA POSITIONS OR STATEMENTS OF FACT, but comments and ideas from members at the meeting. The appropriate ORA Committee will discuss these items for any future action by ORA. They include: Town personnel issues - three employees out on paid administrative leave, need for a permanent Town Manager. Curtail private paid parking lots. Creating a beach committee. Dislike and dysfunction of trash building at the beach. Need for drone policy. Transparency eg. chains in coves, mooring prices, detail of spending on lawyers. Beautification of town (R Brown offered to lead an ORA effort).
5. Big thanks to Rica Shepardson for creating [www.ogunquitresdients.com](http://www.ogunquitresdients.com) gratis. Rica is a new ORA member and long-time former permanent and now seasonal resident.
6. Planning Board has an opening for an alternate member. ORA needs help in design, membership and communications.