



TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

One Golden Beach Drive
Golden Beach, FL 33160

Official Minutes for the March 17, 2015
Regular Town Council Meeting called for 7:00 P.M.

A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Singer called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Councilmember's Present: Mayor Glenn Singer, Vice Mayor Amy Isackson-Rojas, Councilmember Judy Lusskin, Councilmember Bernard Einstein, *Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein (arrived during the Mayor's report)*

Staff Present: Town Manager Alexander Diaz, Town Clerk Lissette Perez, Town Attorney Steve Helfman, Assistant Chief of Police Rudy Herbello, Building Official Dan Neida

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Assistant Chief of Police led the Pledge of Allegiance

***At this time Mayor Singer made a motion to recess the Regular Town Council meeting and begin the Local Planning Agency Meeting.

The motion to approve was made by Mayor Singer, seconded by Councilmember Lusskin

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Isackson-Rojas	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernstein	<u>Absent</u>

The motion passed.

***Regular Town Council meeting resumed at 7:14 p.m.

D. PRESENTATIONS / TOWN PROCLAMATIONS

None

E. MOTION TO SET THE AGENDA

ADDITIONS/ DELETIONS/ REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM CONSENT
AGENDA/ AND CHANGES TO AGENDA

Councilmember Lusskin asked about the construction of the gymnasium and that item on the agenda.

Town Manager Diaz stated that there is a revised Resolution and Memo on the dais as it relates to the consent item of the Public Works gymnasium item, excluding the word equipment. There will be an item included in the April agenda for the costs associated with the award of the equipment to a vendor.

Mayor Singer wished the Town Manager a happy birthday.

Consensus vote 4 Ayes 0 Nays

F. GOOD AND WELFARE

Yariv Shaked, 225 Golden Beach Drive

Brought up the issue of the park. The equipment is rusted and it's out of date and feels the Town should spend some money on the park.

Town Manager stated that for the record we are looking into that and its Tweddle Park he is referring to.

June Krogoll, 422 Golden Beach Drive

Concerned about the hoses and the connections at the beach, really need a real plumber to put that together. Speaking for Francine Allen, Ellen German and some other residents who could not make it tonight.

The no smoking signs at the beach are tiny. People are not aware that it is a no smoking beach and we need to make it a priority. Need to make sure the trash is emptied in the beach after the weekend, because they are overflowing. The Adirondack chairs need to be repaired because they have cracks. Clocks were delivered to the beach today. Tables were moved off the beach on Sunday night for an event, and they weren't returned back to their location. Chairs are still chained. **Town Manager** advised that they were replaced with the lounges that were installed. Inquired about the fire pit area. **Town Manager** advised that they are now available to the residents at the north and south lounge areas. Suggestion is to give John the lifeguard a little extra money so that he is the head of the beach and so that he can oversee the beach attendants. The attendants needs a daily checklist. **Town Manager** stated that administrative personnel issues should be something that we discuss privately. Mrs. Krogoll apologized and stated that the attendants just don't seem to know what to do.

Nancy E. Maidique, Chair of the Tobacco Free Workforce

Would like Golden Beach to pass a resolution urging retailers to ban the use of flavored tobacco products.

Student representatives with the Students Working Against Tobacco Group also spoke, urging the Town to ban the sale of these products in Town.

G. MAYOR'S REPORT

Councilman Bernstein arrived at this time.

Thanked the Town staff for putting together a beautiful swearing-in ceremony for his swearing-in and the swearing-in of Vice Mayor Rojas and Councilman Bernstein. Stated that he knows that there is an issue in the morning regarding other people walking in to the Town of Golden Beach from other communities and using the Town's equipment. Instructed the Town Manager to get quotes to close off both the entrances that run east and west. Can't prohibit people from coming into Golden Beach and using our public facilities, but can make it a little bit harder.

In response to Mrs. Krogoll's comments, the beach attendant does have a job description. The no smoking is enforced and they are instructed to not allow any cigarette smoking on the beaches.

H. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Vice Mayor Rojas

Recommended getting bigger no smoking signs for the beach.

Thanked staff for the wonderful party, it is much appreciated.

Councilman Einstein

Complimented the Administration on the ad in the Miami Herald regarding the swearing-in ceremony. Things are really looking good and coming together in Town.

Councilman Bernstein

Thanked everyone in Town for putting on such a great event.

Apologized for being late. Mentioned that resident Zacaria Geduld had asked if there is any way the Town can open up the gate in the morning for school buses and asked Steve to look into it.

Councilwoman Lusskin

Several residents have asked if the Town can put a bench in the ladies room for residents to put their things on after taking a shower. Also inquired if the Town can get another light at Massini Avenue when the lights are redone in Town.

I. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Thanked the Mayor and Council for the well wishes for his birthday. Thanked the staff for all of the work done for the installation event.

In regards to the "walkers" – locks will be installed at the pedestrian access points and keys will be issued out when those locks are installed. It is important to note that Golden Beach is not a private condominium association and it is an open community, and all of the Town's park facilities are open to the public - with the exception of The Strand Boat Dock area. There are creative ways that we can try to prevent non-Golden Beach residents from coming to our parks. Urged residents not to take measures into their own hands. The second major issue the Town has received over the last few months is parking. We know that parking in Golden Beach is a nightmare. Some residents instruct their hired daily helpers to park in the street, because they will not allow them to park in their driveway. State law says that anywhere that is not legally posted a no parking area, a person can legally park there as long as they are not obstructing traffic. The Administration has declared it a nuisance to park your car in the street in Golden Beach. It's important for residents to use their driveways for parking and not to park in the Town's right-of-way or streets. Our road is not wide enough to have vehicles that are not parked adjacent to the curb, to allow other vehicles to drive through Town. When we

can, we try to issue warnings, but when it is a blatant disregard for the safety of people traveling through the streets we issue citations. The reality is that we do not have enough parking areas for residents and their guests to use.

Not allowing any vehicles to park in South Park or North Park right now. Once the homes under construction in that area are built, those parking areas will be re-open for use.

March 25th through April 1st will be on vacation in Cuba – Town Clerk Lissette Perez will be Acting Town Manager during this time.

There are some exceptions. For instance, it is very unreasonable to ask pool men or iguana people to not park on Golden Beach Drive. However, if the driveway is empty and those service people do not use that driveway, they will be cited. If the driveway is fully occupied they are allowed to park on the street so long as they are not obstructing traffic from going around them. Before an officer issues a citation, they knock on doors to try and find the owner of the vehicle.

Councilmember Lusskin commented that since we started doing this, she's seen more construction workers finding room on the construction sites to park.

Councilmember Einstein requested something be put in the newsletter about this

J. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

None

Penny Iglesias, 138 South Island Drive – Made her Good and Welfare Comments

Thinks that what the Town needs to look for is a solution that will be more permanent. Heard some of the issues coming up. For instance, how do people know where it is legal to park without signage. Came up with a couple suggestions/solutions. One thing she thinks is important is to look for the G sign on the cars. Sometimes some people are given citations while other times people are not. There needs to be some consistency. Does the Town want parking on only one side of the street? If people are parking on both sides of the streets, how do we know who started the obstruction. Does everybody get cited for an obstruction.

Mayor Singer stated that they would put together a list of rules and regulations and communicate them to the residents. The Town doesn't need the signage, because it makes the Town look ugly. What it comes down to is informing the residents and the Town will relay that information to all residents.

K. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

None

L. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

1. An Ordinance of the Town Council Amending the Town's Comprehensive Plan.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO ITS ADOPTED 10-YEAR WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES

WORK PLAN TO ADDRESS WATER SUPPLY PLANNING PROVISIONS REQUIRED BY FLORIDA STATUTES; INCLUDING A PROVISION FOR INCLUSION IN THE TOWN'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 1
Ordinance No. 563.15

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 563.15

A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Lusskin, seconded by Vice Mayor Rojas.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Isackson-Rojas	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernstein	<u>Aye</u>

The motion passed.

2. An Ordinance of the Town Council Amending Chapter 66, "Zoning," Article IV "Supplementary District Regulations."

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 66, "ZONING," ARTICLE IV "SUPPLEMENTARY DISTRICT REGULATIONS," DIVISION 1 "GENERALLY," TO DELETE THE INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT FEE FOR RENTAL OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES AND AUTHORIZE SAID FEE TO BE SET BY RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 2
Ordinance No. 564.15

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Ordinance No. 564.15

A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Lusskin, seconded by Vice Mayor Rojas.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Isackson-Rojas	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernstein	<u>Aye</u>

The motion passed.

Mayor Singer stated that they are not discussing fees, this is just to approve the ordinance.

Town Manager stated that at the next meeting the new fees will be adopted via resolution.

M. QUASI JUDICIAL RESOLUTIONS

None

N. CONSENT AGENDA

- 3. Minutes of the November 18th, 2014 Regular Town Council Meeting**
- 4. Minutes of the January 20th, 2015 Regular Town Council Meeting**
- 5. A Resolution of the Town Council Approving a New Agreement with David T. Caserta Government Relations, Inc. for Consulting Services.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DAVID T. CASERTA GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, INC. FOR CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2014 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2015; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 5
Resolution No. 2399.15

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2399.15

- 6. A Resolution of the Town Council Approving Amendment #1 to the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year Operating Budget.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AMENDMENT #1 TO THE 2014-2015 FISCAL YEAR OPERATING BUDGET;

PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 6
Resolution No. 2400.15

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2400.15

7. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Gifting of Dell Laptops from the Golden Beach Police Department.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE GIFTING OF DELL LAPTOPS LATITUDE E6400 FROM THE GOLDEN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT UPON REQUEST TO POLICE OFFICERS AND STAFF ; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 7
Resolution No. 2401.15

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2401.15

8. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Use of Law Enforcement Trust Fund Monies to Provide for the Construction of A Police Gymnasium.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND (“LETF”) MONIES TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A POLICE GYMNASIUM, OFFICES, AND ASSOCIATED COSTS THE GOLDEN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 8
Resolution No. 2402.15

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2402.15

Motion to approve was made by Vice Mayor Rojas, seconded by Councilmember Lusskin.

Consensus vote 5 Ayes 0 Nays. Items N3 – N8 pass.

O. TOWN RESOLUTIONS

9. A Resolution of the Town Council Approving the Purchase of A Vehicular Control System and CCTV System Upgrades from Interlink Group, Inc.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF A VEHICULAR ACCESS CONTROL SYSTEM AND CLOSE CIRCUIT TELEVISION SYSTEM UPGRADES FROM INTERLINK GROUP, INC.; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 9
Resolution No. 2403.15

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2403.15

A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Bernstein, seconded by Councilmember Lusskin.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Isackson-Rojas	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernstein	<u>Aye</u>

The motion passed.

Town Manager Apologized for not including a memo with the item. Requesting that his comments be added to the resolution as his memo.

The Town Council awarded this same contract some time ago to the company Amano McGann, and unfortunately the negotiation meetings did not pan out as the Town Manager and Mayor would have liked. The Town then began looking for another company and acquired proposals from four different companies. Also, Iron Sky went defunct and the Town has not had a company provide our camera system for quite some time. So rather than go with multiple companies to provide various different services, the Town was looking to consolidate all of the services under the umbrella of one company. All the companies the Town met with gave competitive proposals. Interlink was not the cheapest, but they were the most comprehensive and most responsible company for the Town. The Amano McGann contract was more expensive than this one. This contract includes a new gate arm system for the entire Town and gives us control of the town's camera system from an iPhone. The Administration has

negotiated what we feel is a fare deal. The Mayor has asked that we try to negotiate a 3-year lock on the maintenance portion of the agreement. Not only is this a savings to the Town, because it's cheaper than the original contract that was awarded to Amano McGann, it gives two comprehensive approaches and allows the Administration to deal with only one vendor. They can provide us that full scope service that we need.

Councilmember Lusskin asked how long it would take to have the new system up and running if it is approved tonight.

Town Manager stated that we are hoping to roll the system out within the next 60 to 90 days.

Mayor Singer stated that this will also give the Town the opportunity to register cars and all resident vehicles will receive new decals.

Town Manager stated that the Town will now have a comprehensive residential database that will allow the Administration to keep track of the vehicles that are coming into Town.

10. A Resolution of the Town Council Amending the Fee Schedule for Film Permits.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR FILM PERMITS PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE II, SECTION 15-16 OF THE TOWN CODE; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 10
Resolution No. 2404.15

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2404.15

A motion to approve was made by Vice Mayor Rojas, seconded by Councilmember Lusskin.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Isackson-Rojas	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernstein	<u>Aye</u>

The motion passed.

Town Manager stated that the least enjoyable part of his job is enforcing the Town's rules. With filming in Town there has been a lot of controversy over the years. One of

the concerns that the Administration has heard from both the Council and residents is that the permitting fees do not reflect the actual costs for managing the program. Recommending a new fee structure as it relates to filming in Golden Beach and new parameters. (He gave a brief explanation of the new parameters)

Mayor Singer stated that the main change is that it requires an off-duty police officer at every shoot.

Councilwoman Lusskin stated that what worries her is that when there is a shoot with 200 people, she can only imagine the phone calls and complaints she will receive from the neighbors.

Mayor Singer stated that in that particular case it is taking place at one of the biggest homes in Town and the crew cars are being parked in Sunny Isles Beach.

Town Manager stated that the current cap on number of people allowed at a film shoot is 75, any request for more than that are looked at on a case by case basis. The Administration tries to get the film company to bring down that number and they are charged an extraordinary fee.

Councilmember Bernstein stated that it seems to him that the vehicles are the main issue.

Town Manager stated that there is not “one issue” – when they bring generators, port-a-potties, catering, etc. are all matters the Town has to deal with during film shoots. There are a lot of safety concerns the Town needs to take into account.

Councilmember Bernstein stated that what he was getting at is that instead of just imposing fees on people, the Town also impose fees on things like cars and port-o-potties.

Town Manager stated that the Town does take some liberties for things like this, such as imposing the Town’s building fees on items such as port-o-potties.

Councilmember Einstein stated that it seems as if the Town Manager spends a lot of time on this, knows this is a sensitive subject but wants to know if there is an appropriate fee that reflects his time and the Administration’s time on this.

Mayor Singer stated that it is not like there is an issue with every film shoot; this is a rare occasion, so it does not take up so much of his time. Also wanted to make it clear that it is not a nuisance item or a profit generator, just looking at revising the fees to recoup some of the Town’s costs.

Vice Mayor Rojas asked if we have compared our film fees to that of South Beach.

Town Manager stated that there is no real matrix to compare because some communities charge fees and some communities give incentives to film.

Councilmember Lusskin stated that the only thing she wants to reiterate is that the Town not get into a situation where it is disruptive to the residents of Town.

Christine Lazetta, Location Resources – appreciates the cooperation they get from the Town and the residents, it is a beautiful place to shoot. Feels that what Mayor Singer is saying is that it is a very small percentage of productions that do cause any problems, and does not blame the Town for wanting to recover its costs. There are going to be so many productions that cannot afford these fees. There has to be a consideration to what kinds of budgets people have. Does not think there is going to be a net benefit to these high fees.

Vahan Massiki, producer of the film that is applying to shoot in Town with over 200 people. The Town should absolutely have police monitoring the sets. A fee based on size is not a bad way to do it, because it will determine the size of the company. Would encourage the Town to be a little bit flexible on some of the rules, because some things like weather can affect a shoot.

Town Manager stated that there is a Scribner's error on number 5; it should read after 40 no more than 75 except when approved on a case-by-case basis by the Administration.

11. A Resolution of the Town Council Assigning Each Councilmember A Particular Area of Governmental Responsibility.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA ASSIGNING EACH COUNCILMEMBER THE DUTY TO INQUIRE INTO THE OPERATION OF A PARTICULAR AREA OF GOVERNMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 11
Resolution No. 2405.15

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2405.15

A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Bernstein, seconded by Vice Mayor Rojas.

Mayor Singer will take Finance
Vice Mayor Rojas will take Police
Councilmember Lusskin will take Building and Zoning
Councilmember Bernstein will take Public Works
Councilmember Einstein will take Administration

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Isackson-Rojas	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>

Councilmember Einstein Aye
Councilmember Bernstein Aye

The motion passed.

P. DISCUSSION & DIRECTION TO TOWN MANAGER

Mayor Glenn Singer:
None Requested

Vice Mayor Amy Isackson-Rojas:
None Requested

Councilmember Bernard Einstein:
None Requested

Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein:
None Requested

Councilmember Judy Lusskin:
None Requested

Town Manager Alexander Diaz
None Requested

Town Manager reminded the Council that the next meeting will be April 21st.

Q. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the Council Meeting was made by Councilmember Lusskin, seconded by Councilmember Einstein.

Consensus vote 5 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion passes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lissette Perez
Lissette Perez
Town Clerk