

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

One Golden Beach Drive Golden Beach, FL 33160

Official Minutes for the March 19, 2013 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 Judy Lusskin, Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas, Councilmember Judy Lusskin, Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein (Councilmember Einstein showed up at 7:10 p.m. during Officer Michael Mills' swearing-in)

Staff Present: Town Manager Alexander Diaz, Town Clerk Lissette Perez, Police Chief Don De Lucca, Finance Director Maria D. Camacho, Town Attorney Steve Helfman

C. PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE

Police Chief led the Pledge of Allegiance

D. PRESENTATIONS / TOWN PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Singer swore-in New Reserve Officer Michael Mills

E. MOTION TO SET THE AGENDA

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

Town Manager asked to add discussion items, under direction to the Manager. A discussion of the Section 125 bank account and on the CITT funding for bus benches. He also requested to discuss the date of the April meeting.

Consensus vote <u>5</u> Aye <u>0</u> Nays. Motion passed.

F. GOOD AND WELFARE

None

G. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Singer wished the Town Manager a happy birthday.

H. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Einstein

None.

Councilmember Rojas

Wished the Town Manager a happy birthday.

Councilmember Bernstein

Also wished the Town Manager a happy birthday.

Vice Mayor Lusskin

Reminded residents that Golden Beach students still have time to sign up for the scholarship with Sunny Isles Beach, and that the Town has nothing to do with determining who is selected for the scholarship. Mentioned that on the median at A1A there are a group of lights that are out near the medjools. Also asked if the powerlines were still going to come down in April (the Town Manager advised her that they would). Also commented on how well the Police Department is being run.

Councilmember Einstein commented briefly stating that the police were very helpful when his wife was in a car accident with a tractor trailer. Thanked everyone involved.

Mayor Singer took a moment to comment on the Swearing-In ceremony, and how great the event was. Thanked Judge Michael Hanzman for swearing them in, and thanked the Town staff for putting together such a great event.

I. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Thanked Ms. Joelle Kheel for singing the star spangled banner at the swearing-in event. He also mentioned that there was an article in the Herald pertaining to the swearing-in event. Advised Councilmember Bernstein that members have been found to serve on the Beach Committee. As it relates to Tweddle Park, hoping to start the project to enhance the park in a few weeks. Thanked the staff and the Council for all the warm birthday wishes.

*CIP Report & Update – None

J. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

None

K. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

None

L. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

None

M. QUASI JUDICIAL RESOLUTIONS

None

Town Clerk swore-in Councilmember Einstein at this time

N. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Minutes of the February 19, 2013 Regular Town Council Meeting
- 2. A Resolution of the Town Council Endorsing the Mayors' Climate Action Pledge, Affirming Support for the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, ENDORSING THE MAYORS' CLIMATE ACTION PLEDGE, AFFIRMING SUPPORT FOR THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA REGIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE COMPACT, AGREEING TO CONSIDER IMPLEMENTING THE REGIONAL CLIMATE ACTION PLAN IN WHOLE OR IN PART AS APPROPRIATE FOR EACH MUNICIPALITY, AND URGING ALL MAYORS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO SUPPORT THE MAYORS' CLIMATE ACTION PLEDGE; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 2 Resolution No. 2291.13

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2291.13

3. A Resolution of the Town Council Establishing a Personnel Board.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A PERSONNEL BOARD, PURSUANT TO SECTION 3.04 OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR INTENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN AFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 3 Resolution No. 2292.13

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2292.13

4. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Sale of a Vermeer BC1000 Chipper from the Public Works Equipment Fleet A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF A VERMEER BC1000 CHIPPER FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT FLEET; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 4 Resolution No. 2293.13

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2293.13

5. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Disposal of A Toro Groundsmaster 328-D Lawnmower from the Town's Public Works Fleet.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF A TORO GROUNDSMASTER 328-D LAWNMOWER FROM THE TOWN'S PUBLIC WORKS FLEET; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN AFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 5 Resolution No. 2294.13

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2294.13

Consensus vote <u>5</u> Ayes <u>0</u> Nays. Items N1 – N5 passed.

O. TOWN RESOLUTIONS

6. A Resolution of the Town Council Assigning Each Councilmember the Duty to Inquire into the Operation of 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 FOR AN AFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 6

Resolution No. 2295.13

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2295.13

A motion to approve was made by <u>Vice Mayor Lusskin</u> seconded by <u>Councilmember</u> <u>Bernstein</u>.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:	
Mayor Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Isackson-Rojas	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernstein	<u>Aye</u>

The motion passed.

Councilmember Einstein chose the Police Department. Councilmember Bernstein chose Administration, at the Town Manager's request Councilmember Rojas chose Public Works Vice Mayor Lusskin chose Finance Mayor Singer chose Building and Zoning

P. DISCUSSION & DIRECTION TO TOWN MANAGER

Mayor Glenn Singer: None Requested

Vice Mayor Amy Isackson-Rojas: None Requested

Councilmember Judy Lusskin: None Requested

Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein: None Requested

Councilmember Bernard Einstein: None Requested

Town Manager Alexander Diaz

Spoke about the Town's Section 125 bank account and why that account is being closed. The bank accounts in Town are being consolidated. The \$40,000 that were in it are being rolled over into the Town's payroll account.

Regarding the CITT fund in the early 2000's late 1990's, the County passed legislation for a half-cent penny tax for transportation programs. The Town receives about \$30,000 a year from that fund, of which 20% must be allocated by County

Ordinance for transit-related expenditures (such as bus benches). The Town's goal is to build that 20% over the years, and at some point in time create a bus shelter for the bus stands that we have in Town. CITT did an audit, and couldn't find any records where previous Managers had been directed by the Council to come up with a proposal to utilize those funds. Town Manager now asking for authorization and direction from the Council on how to use those funds. The alternative to that is that the Town voluntarily give back those funds and donate it to a neighboring community for them to use for their transit projects. Town Manager not recommending the Town does that because the Town does not have any facilities to accommodate for public transportation. At a minimum, the Administration would like to go out and see what the costs would be and bring that report before the Council to decide whether to put facilities on A1A or not.

Councilmember Bernstein stated that he feels that there should be a forum for discussion of the use of the funds. Also, asked if the funds could be used for other forms of alternative transportation?

Town Manager advised that 80% of that funding is used for alternative transportation methods. The 20% that the Town is talking about has to be used for only transit and transit related activities, that have a routine schedule.

Councilmember Bernstein asked if it needs to be for public transportation like a bus?

Town Manager stated that it does. It has to be for either a municipal circular with frequent stops at various area municipalities or a public bus, or the Town can simply say thank you, but give it to a city that really needs it.

Council agreed to authorize the Town Manager to come up with some suggestions for using the CITT funds and present those to the Council.

Town Manager proposed that the Council move the April Council meeting to April 30th, the last Tuesday of the month, also reserving the right not to have a meeting that month, contingent on the Mayor calling for it.

Town Manager also requested the right to move the potluck luau to May if an available Sunday cannot be agreed upon.

Consensus vote 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Q. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the Council Meeting was made by <u>Councilmember Bernstein</u>, seconded by <u>Vice Mayor Lusskin</u>.

Consensus vote <u>5</u> Ayes <u>0</u> Nays. Motion passes.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lissette Perez Lissette Perez Town Clerk