



TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

**One Golden Beach Drive
Golden Beach, FL 33160**

**Official Minutes for the May 4, 2010
Special Town Council Meeting called for 6:00 P.M.**

A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Singer called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM

B. ROLL CALL

The Town Clerk called roll.

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Singer, Vice Mayor Einstein, Councilmember Bernstein, Councilmember Lusskin and Councilmember Rojas.

Staff Present: Town Manager – Alexander Diaz, Town Attorney – Stephen Helfman, Acting Police Chief – Joseph Barasoain, Interim Town Clerk/Exec. Asst. to the Town Manager/HR Director – Lissette Perez

C. PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Einstein led the Pledge of Allegiance

D. MOTION TO SET THE AGENDA

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

Motion made by Councilmember Lusskin, seconded by Mayor Singer.
Under discussions & direction to Town Manager, The Town Manager called for A1A discussion and vacant Town Clerk position.
Council unanimously agreed to set the agenda with the additions requested by Town Manager Diaz.

E. TOWN RESOLUTIONS

1. A Resolution of the Town Council Adopting a Master Plan for Park Improvements within North Park

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING AND ADOPTING A MASTER PLAN FOR PARK IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN NORTH PARK; DIRECTING THE TOWN MAYOR AND TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE TO IMPLEMENT SAID PLAN; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 1
Resolution No. 2090.10

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2090.10

Kathy O’Leary Richards

Discussed the modifications that were made as was requested at the 4/27/10 meeting to simplify the north park design, removing the proposed tot lot and increasing the open playing field, with a reduction in costs by approximately \$50,000. The council discussed concerns with landscaping and the timetable on the growth and maturation of trees/greenery. Kathy stated that her firm was hoping to acquire 18 to 20 foot trees for the park.

The Town Manager mentioned that the Town would ask the council to allow the Town to erect a decorative fence and downstream defenders around the pump stations of both the North and the South Parks, for safety reasons. (4 to 6 feet tall, surrounded by foliage)

Fence design-intent was shown, and would be re-introduced at a later date.

Paul Abbott and Manger Diaz stated that an Arborist visited town and suggested a very diligent pruning and proper fertilization for all of the trees to thrive.

The Town Manager spoke on elevation of North Park. It would be scraped and proper elevation will come back to grate.

Councilmember Einstein – asked about sidewalks. They will tie into the one already part of the CIP design. (Abbott responded)

Councilmember Bernstein – asked about the color scheme. He had one request from the design, the removal of two big trees from the corners to allow for baseball/soccer play. But, the damage/destruction of the art/sculpture area was a reason to not remove the trees (Council comments). Councilmember Einstein commented, and the Council agreed that when it was time to plant the trees the issue would be revisited.

Town Manager – four elements of work need to be completed: grading, stormwater drain installation, irrigation, and lighting. Should the work be awarded to Southeastern Engineering Contractors, Inc. (SEC) the work will be completed as part of their CIP contract (grading and stormwater drain installation already a part of it). Goal to have THL to serve as our representative/landscaper. Goal to have North Park up and running by the end of July. SEC will be required to bring in an additional crew to work on this project.

Councilmember Bernstein – spoke on grass and a contact to provide a high-end grass at a low cost.

Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2090.10 by Councilmember Lusskin, seconded by Councilmember Rojas.

Roll call vote was as follows:

Mayor Singer - Aye, Councilmember Bernstein - Aye, Vice Mayor Einstein - Aye, Councilmember Lusskin - Aye, Councilmember Rojas - Aye.

The motion passed 5-0.

2. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing and approving an Agreement for Construction between the Town of Golden Beach and Southeastern Engineering, Inc.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH SOUTHEASTERN ENGINEERING CONTRACTORS, INC. ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE NORTH PARKWAY; PROVIDING FOR WAIVER OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 2
Resolution No. 2093.10

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2093.10

Town Manager

Contract authorizes the completion of the parkways as part of the CIP budget because the CIP budget has a \$ 750,000 contingency allowing for more money to be spent on the parks, aside from the parks budget.

Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2093.10 by Councilmember Luskin, seconded by Councilmember Rojas.

Roll call vote was as follows:

Mayor Singer - Aye, Councilmember Bernstein - Aye, Vice Mayor Einstein - Aye, Councilmember Luskin - Aye, Councilmember Rojas - Aye.

The motion passed 5-0.

R. DISCUSSION & DIRECTION TO TOWN MANAGER

Mayor Glenn Singer:
None Requested

Vice Mayor Ben Einstein:
None Requested

Councilmember Judy Luskin:
None Requested

Councilmember Amy Rojas:
None Requested

Councilmember Ken Bernstein:
None Requested

Town Manager Alexander Diaz

Requested to move the May Town Council Meeting from the 18th to the 26th of May at 7:00 p.m. The Town Council agreed to move it to the 26th. The June 15th meeting for now, will be at 7:30 p.m. as regularly scheduled.

Discussed the vacant clerk position and what would happen with it in the interim. Lissette Perez was recommended as Interim Town Clerk, with the responsibilities of the office distributed between Perez, Cynthia Garcia and Marie Talley. The position will not be filled for the time being.

A1A – discussed a meeting that was held yesterday with the Town engineers related to the median lighting. A copy of a letter will be placed in the Friday council packets discussing this issue in further detail.

The Town Attorney stated that the Town Council needs to designate a Town Clerk. It can be a current town employee, but the appointment needs to be made by the Council. Mayor Singer made the motion to appoint Lissette Perez to serve as the Interim Town Clerk.

Concensus vote 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

Vice Mayor Einstein – commented on having 6 p.m. meetings and if it violates the Town Charter. The Town Manager stated that there was an Ordinance in 2003 that repeals the 7 o'clock requirement, allowing the Council to meet earlier than that. Mayor Singer stated that the possibility of moving the meeting to an earlier time would be discussed in the future.

S. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the council meeting by Councilmember Rojas, seconded by Vice Mayor Einstein. Consensus vote 5 Ayes 0 Nays.

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisette Perez

Lisette Perez
Interim Town Clerk