

STANDARD B & P "NOTAR"

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

December 15th, 1953

The regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach, Florida, was held on Tuesday, December 15th, 1953 at 9:30 o'clock in the morning at the Town Hall. Upon roll call, the following members were found to be present constituting all of the Members of the Council.

Mayer  
President  
Councilmen

-Mr. Robert H. George  
-Mr. Burt Hengeveld  
-Mr. Edward F. Guenther  
-Mr. Howard G. McIlvried  
-Mr. Anthony J. Gecking  
-Mr. Charles C. Koch

Also present: Town Attorney  
Building Inspector

-Mr. Francis M. Miller  
-Mr. William E. Viten

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld who acted as Chairman of the Meeting and Mrs. Laurita Chapman acted as Secretary.

The Council President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, expressed words of greeting to Councilman Edward F. Guenther and stated that he and the Members of the Council were very happy that he was able to return and assume his duties as a Member of the Council and Commissioner of Police and Fire.

The Council President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, called upon the Secretary who presented to each Member of the Council, a copy of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Council held on November 24th, 1953, and at his suggestion, which had the full approval of the Council Members, these Minutes were read privately. Upon the reading of these Minutes, when no corrections or objections were offered, were ordered approved by the President of the Council, Mr. Burt Hengeveld.

The Secretary presented the cash report for the Month of November, 1953. The Cash Report, upon motion by Councilman Charles C. Koch and seconded by Councilman Anthony J. Gecking, was approved and ordered attached to these Minutes and made a part hereof.

The Commissioner of Law And Finance, President Burt Hengeveld, stated that he is keeping a close watch on all expenditures with regards to the appropriations as set up in the budget for the period November 1st, 1953 thru October 31st, 1954 and presented to the Members of the Council a financial statement, which the Secretary read, itemizing each expenditure and budget appropriation, showing the balances that remain in each category and further stated that such report would be prepared and presented at future regular Council Meetings.

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The matter of a Christmas bonus for the Employees of the Town Of Golden Beach was then brought up for discussion by the Commissioner of Law and Finance, President Burt Hengeveld, who stated that in the past the Town Of Golden Beach had always given each employee a bonus at Christmas and he suggested that such practice be continued. He then presented to the Members of the Council a list, which the Secretary read, showing the amount paid each employee as a Christmas bonus in 1952 and asked that the same amounts be paid this Year. Since no appropriation had been made in the current budget for this expenditure, upon motion by Councilman Anthony J. Gecking, seconded by Councilman Edward F. Guenther and unanimously carried, it was agreed that each employee be given the same amount of Christmas bonus in 1953 as in 1952 and that this expenditure be charged against Unanticipated Revenues from other Sources.

The matter of the filling in of lots was brought up for discussion and the President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, again complimented Councilman Howard G. McIlvried for his efforts in preparing the necessary data so that the Town could proceed with this work. The Commissioner of Health And Sanitation, Councilman Charles C. Koch, was advised that the enforcement of Resolution No. 58, which requires that properties designated as a public nuisance, be filled, will be under his supervision and that this Resolution and Notices were being prepared for mailing to Owners of such lots in question. The matter of financing such work was discussed and the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, stated that the Town of Golden Beach has the authority to issue Certificates of Indebtedness to cover such costs and when the costs are determined for each lot in question, this amount is placed as a lien against such property. It was also decided that bids on this work from three contracting Firms that can accept these Certificates be secured so that the Town could take immediate action and enforce the terms at the time specified in said Resolution.

The matter of the construction of seawalls on property that requires bulkheading in the Town Of Golden Beach was brought up for discussion and the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, stated that the Charter of the Town of Golden Beach had been amended by the Florida State Legislature, whereby the Town Of Golden Beach had the authority to issue bonds for this purpose and if it became necessary for the Town to take such action, an election would have to be held before the Council could decide on this matter. The Town Manager, Mr. R. H. Kuiken, stated that maps had been prepared by the Engineering Firm of Mott Berry showing the property to be bulkheaded and that the Esbary Foundation Company is to prepare a bid on this work.

The Building Inspector, Mr. William E. Viten, asked the Council if an Ordinance could not be passed prohibiting certain types of gas heaters from being installed in new homes to be constructed in the Town Of Golden Beach and produced several newspaper clippings citing the disastrous effects that have occurred recently in other Towns to occupants of houses having gas heat. The Council President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, stated that he would like the present building code amended whereby carparks would not be permitted to be constructed or erected, due to their unsightliness, in the Town Of Golden Beach, and the Mayor, Mr. Robert H. George, stated that groins or weirs should be prohibited from being constructed within the Town Of Golden Beach. The Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, thereupon presented Ordinance No. 59 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 9, ARTICLE 28 OF ORDINANCE NO. 24, and SECTION 12 OF ORDINANCE NO. 52, AND SECTION 9 OF ORDINANCE NO. 52 AND ORDINANCE RELATING TO BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH."

This Ordinance was read by the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller on first and second reading. Upon these readings of this Ordinance, a roll call was made and it was unanimously approved that Ordinance No. 59 passed its first and second reading at this Meeting.

The Commissioner of Parks And Public Buildings, Councilman Anthony J. Gecking, stated that since money had been appropriated in the current budget for improvements to public buildings, he would like to have improvements made to the Loggia as it was very badly in need of repair. He described the work he would like to have done and the cost of same and it was agreed by all the Members of the Council that such work should be done.

The Town Manager, Mr. R. H. Kuiken, reported on the unsightly condition that existed from Gardeners placing their debris of trimmings, etc., on vacant lots in the Town Of Golden Beach and requested the Members of the Council to take action to prevent this occurrence, particularly on week-ends when the Town Maintenance Men were off duty and cannot pick up trash. The collecting and disposing of trash was then discussed and it was agreed that the Mayor, Mr. Robert H. George, send a letter requesting the gardeners to refrain from putting trash to be collected on vacant property on Saturdays and Sundays.

The Mayor, Mr. Robert H. George, presented a letter from the Florida League Of Municipalities, which the Secretary read, requesting that the Town Of Golden Beach become a Member in this Association. The Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, stated that since the Town would not be likely to receive any benefits by joining this Organization, he advised the Council that no action be taken on this matter.

The matter of engaging an additional Patrolman was brought up for discussion and the Chief of Police and Town Manager, Mr. R. H. Kuiken, stated that since it was only necessary to have two men in the Patrol Car at night as a safety precaution, during the winter months, the three patrolmen now employed, were willing to have their working hours extended so as to have two men in the car at night and the money they would receive for working the additional hours would be far less than what it would cost the Town to engage another Patrolman. Thereupon the Town Manager, Mr. R. H. Kuiken was instructed to have the present patrolmen work the additional hours effective January 1st, 1954 with an increase in salary of \$15.00 per month for each patrolman.

The Commissioner of Health And Sanitation, Mr. Charles C. Kech, inquired into the process of work involving the mailing of the Notices to the Owners of Lots that require fill and the Town Manager was instructed to engage additional help if needed.

The Mayor, Mr. Robert H. George, reported that he had talked with Mr. Grant Stockdale, the County Commissioner, about the improvements that are to be made on AlA or Ocean Boulevard in the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida and stated that since such improvements are to be made in the very near future, he would like to have all of the roads, public parks and beach improved at the same time. He cited upon the present condition of the beach and said that he had looked into the matter of beach cleaning machines and one in particular that he had seen in operation and which appeared very adequate, was now being used by the City Of Hollywood. He further stated that he had looked into the cost of this equipment and

the machine complete, would be approximately \$3,596.00 and he would like to have the Town purchase this machine, since the beach, at the present time, was very badly in need of cleaning. Councilman Howard G. McIlvried, stated that a fogging machine is also needed if the Town is to be kept free of mosquitoes after the lots are filled. A general discussion followed as to the costs of such equipment and it was agreed that before any action is taken on this matter, a further investigation should be made and that the Town should make arrangements to have the beach cleaned once before Christmas.

The Commissioner of Police And Fire, Councilman Edward F. Guenther, brought up for discussion the matter of purchasing a new car for the Police Department and this matter was deferred to the next Meeting of the Town Council.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this Meeting, upon motion by Councilman Anthony J. Gecking and seconded by Councilman Edward F. Guenther, the meeting adjourned.

TPH Geagy  
Mayor

Laurita Chapman  
Deputy Town Clerk

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CASH REPORT OF DEPUTY TOWN CLERK - FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 31, 1953

Cash Balance December 1, 1953 \$ 42,211.18  
In the Miami Beach First National Bank

Budgeted Receipts

1953 Taxes Collected \$ 3,253.56  
Less Tax Discount Allowed 95.83 \$ 3,157.73

Other Receipts

Receipts From Property Owners  
For Fertilizer Sales, Etc. 126.75  
Building Permits 165.00  
Clean-Up Bond Deposits 100.00  
Road Damage Bond Deposits 100.00  
Income Taxes Withheld 173.00  
Social Security Taxes Collected 30.68 \$ 695.43

TOTAL

\$ 46,064.34

Cash Disbursements

Budgeted Disbursements \$ 7,507.09  
Non-Budgeted Disbursements 914.65 \$ 8,421.74

CASH BALANCE

\$ 37,642.60

FINE AND FORFEITURE FUND DEPOSITS

Total Deposits thru December, 1953 \$ 1,122.00  
Less Authorized Expenditures 582.65  
Balance in Fund \$ 539.35

Cash Balance December 31, 1953

On Hand in the Miami Beach First National Bank \$ 38,234.60

Percent to  
Total

Total 1953 Tax Roll \$59,466.38 100.00%  
Taxes Collected thru December 31, 1953 \$52,927.82 89.00%  
Unpaid Taxes at December 31, 1953 \$ 6,538.56 11.00%

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ANALYSIS OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS - FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1953

Budget Disbursements

Landscaping Upkeep - Salaries And Wages	\$ 882.00
Landscaping Upkeep - Other Expense	403.73
Repairs And Maintenance:	51.13
Public Buildings	2,310.00
Streets	679.76
Bridges	
Police Services:	900.00
Salaries	80.00
Radio Service	94.39
Police Equipment - Repairs	
Equipment - Other	435.18
Repairs	
Gasoline	161.46
Insurance	33.00
Legal And Audit	350.00
Lighting	135.49
Printing And Stationery	8.95
Telephone Service	19.15
Waste Service	225.00
Office Supplies	52.85
Town Clerk's Office	310.00
Town Manager's Salary	375.00
Total Budgeted Disbursements	\$7,507.09

Non-Budgeted Disbursements

Christmas Bonus to Employees	\$ 582.65
Building Inspection Fees	282.00
Refund: Clean-Up Bond Deposit	50.00
Total Non-Budgeted Disbursements	\$ 914.65

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

\$8,421.74