

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

February 17, 1948

The regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach, Florida, was held on February 17, 1948, at 3 p. m. at the Town Hall and upon roll call the following members were found to be present, constituting a quorum of the Council:

Mayor
Councilmen

- Mr. James T. Hennegan
- Mr. R. H. George
- Mr. William A. Mentzer
- Mr. G. A. Mavon

Absent:

- Mr. Martin L. Pulcher
- Mr. George H. Draper, Jr.
- Mr. Fred G. Gamer, Deputy Town Clerk

also present were:

Attorney

- Mr. Francis M. Miller
and a number of visitors

Mr. Martin L. Pulcher, President of the Town Council, being absent, Mr. R. H. George was elected to serve as President Pro Tem of the meeting and acting President of the Council.

Mr. Fred G. Gamer, Deputy Town Clerk, being absent because of illness, Mr. Francis M. Miller was requested to act as Secretary of the meeting.

The Chairman, Mr. R. H. George, thereupon called upon the Secretary of the meeting for the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 20, 1948.

After the reading of these minutes, Councilman William A. Mentzer moved, which motion was seconded by Councilman G. A. Mavon, that the minutes be approved as read, which motion was unanimously carried.

The Secretary thereupon presented the cash report of the Deputy Town Clerk covering the month of January, 1948. Upon motion by Councilman William A. Mentzer and seconded by Councilman G. A. Mavon, this cash report was unanimously approved and ratified and ordered attached to these minutes.

The Town Attorney and Acting Secretary of the meeting, then presented Ordinance No. 35, entitled

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH LICENSING GARDENERS AND GARDENING CONTRACTORS AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS TO DO BUSINESS WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH AND PROVIDING FOR THE CANCELLATION OF SAID LICENSE FOR CAUSE AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE

which Ordinance was read three times and was passed as an emergency measure, all Councilmen present voting in the affirmative, upon a roll call being taken, and a copy immediately given to the Town Superintendent with instructions to him to see that the provisions thereof were carried out.

The Town Attorney then presented a Resolution requesting that the Town Attorney take such necessary legal action as may be required to join with other municipalities in an effort to have the so-called Dade County Merger Amendment declared unconstitutional. This Resolution reads as follows:

"BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA:

Section 1. That the proposed Amendment to Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Florida providing for the merger of municipalities in Dade County with the County government and laws enacted in support of such a proposed amendment will come before the people of Dade County for voting on May 25, 1948, and it is the opinion of the members of the Town Council of Golden Beach that the adoption of said Amendment and the forcing of Golden Beach into the City of Miami, as provided in said Amendment, would not be for the best interests of the people of Golden Beach.

Sec. 2. The Town Council is advised that a majority of the municipalities of Dade County intend to institute litigation to test the constitutionality of the said Merger Amendment, and it is hereby declared desirable for the Town of Golden Beach to participate in such legal test, provided the cost to the Town of Golden Beach shall not exceed the Town's proportionate share as such expense may bear to the taxable assessment of the property within the limits of the

Town of Golden Beach, and it has been estimated that the total cost of such litigation will approximate \$8000.00, which sum will be distributed among municipalities and certain sections of Dade County.

Sec. 3. That there is hereby appropriated out of the Town treasury a sum of money not to exceed \$300.00 for the participation of the Town of Golden Beach in such legal action.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of February, 1948".

Upon a roll call being taken, the same was unanimously adopted and the Town Attorney was instructed to call upon the Town Clerk for such sum of money as may be required in fulfillment of the Resolution.

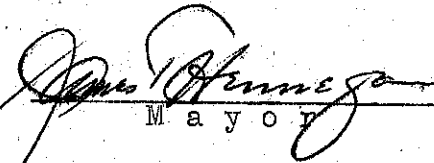
The matter of emergency paving of certain streets in the Town was then discussed at great length and Councilman Mavon stated that he had received some bids for such paving and that Mr. Draper had also received bids and that these bids were being examined and seemed to be in order. It was then suggested that something be done immediately and before the next meeting of the Town Council so that the emergency paving could be completed. Mr. Hart, one of the visitors present, also discussed these needed street repairs. The Chairman thereupon appointed a Committee consisting of Councilmen G. A. Mavon, George H. Draper, Jr. and himself as a Committee to examine the bids and make such necessary repairs to the streets as members of the Council deem necessary and proper and to do this work before the next Regular meeting of the Council and that the funds for such repairs would be paid out of the treasury of the Town. This authorization was unanimously adopted and the Committee was directed to report back at the next Council meeting as to their actions. However, the payment for such work need not be withheld until the next Council meeting, but should be paid by the Deputy Town Clerk immediately upon approval of the amount due, which approval to be by the unanimous recommendation of the Committee.


The Police Superintendent then discussed conditions of the Town and told the Council that Mr. Robert H. George had donated a Cletrac to the Town, which was of great value to him in his work and also an asset which the Town was very much in need.

Councilman Mentzer and Councilman Mavon moved and seconded that a vote of thanks be given to Mr. George for his generous gift to the Town. This was put to a vote by the Acting Clerk and was unanimously carried.

The matter of building, driving of pile and building inspection was discussed at some length and the Clerk was directed to notify the Town architect and Town Building Inspector that better inspections must be made and also to notify them that there is a forty-foot set back on the west side of Ocean Boulevard. The Mayor was also directed to confer with the architect and Building Inspector and, if he found that they were unable to properly perform their duties, he was to make such other appointments as he may be advised and to have them replaced by someone who would be more inclined to do this work.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion made by Councilman Mavon, the Council adjourned.


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Secretary of the meeting

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

CASH REPORT OF DEPUTY TOWN CLERK - MONTH OF JANUARY 1948

Balance -			
In The First National Bank of Miami			
January 1, 1948		\$25,086.97	
Cash in Transit as of December 31, 1947:			
Deposited January 5, 1948		<u>552.55</u>	\$25,639.52

Receipts - Month of January 1948:

<u>Budgeted Receipts</u>			
1947 Taxes Collected	\$ 509.35		
Less: Discounts	<u>10.18</u>	\$ 499.17	
<u>Other</u>			
Pay-as-you-go Tax Withheld	\$ 63.80		
Court Fines	125.00		
Tax Sales Certificates Redeemed:			
For 1945 Taxes	\$155.55		
1946	<u>209.93</u>		
Total	\$365.48		
Interest Thereon	<u>53.12</u>	<u>418.60</u>	
			<u>607.40</u>
			\$ 1,106.57
Less: Disbursements			<u>3,220.36</u>
			<u>2,113.79</u>
Balance of Cash to be Accounted For			<u>\$23,525.73</u>

Cash Accounted For

In The First National Bank of Miami -			
January 31, 1948:			
General Operating Fund	\$16,155.49		
Permanent Improvement Fund	3,499.89		
Water System Fund (1946			
Hydrant Rental)	<u>3,723.50</u>	\$23,378.88	
Cash in Transit January 31, 1948:			
Deposited February 2, 1948		<u>146.85</u>	
Total Cash Accounted For			<u>\$23,525.73</u>

Percent To Total

Total 1947 Tax Roll	\$30,741.74	100.00%
Less: Taxes Collected to January 31, 1948	<u>24,370.17</u>	<u>79.27</u>
Uncollected Balance January 31, 1948	\$ 6,371.57	20.73%

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

MONTH OF JANUARY 1948

CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Building Inspection Fees Expense		\$ 80.00
Gas and Oil		165.36
Insurance		602.40
Landscaping Upkeep:		
Salaries, Wages and Other		1,008.00
Lighting		89.43
Miscellaneous		9.75
Police Equipment		219.70
Police Radio Service		50.00
Police Services		600.00
Refund of Cleanup Bonds - Permits #515 and #518		100.00
Repairs and Maintenance:		
Police Equipment	\$ 92.70	
Other Equipment	120.02	
Beach Rest Rooms	12.00	224.72
Signs		12.00
Telephone and Telegraph	\$ 1.40	
Less Refund by Telephone Company	4.03	2.63
Town Clerk		133.33
Withholding Taxes to Collector of Internal Revenue		128.30
Total		\$3,420.36
Less: Return of Advance for Traveling Expense		200.00
TOTAL NET CASH DISBURSEMENTS		\$3,220.36