

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

March 16th, 1954

The regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach, Florida, was held on Tuesday, March 16th, 1954 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.

Mayor	-Mr. Robert H. George
President	-Mr. Burt Hengeveld
Councilman	-Mr. Edward F. Guenther
	-Mr. Howard G. McIlvried
	-Mr. Anthony J. Gocking
	-Mr. Charles C. Koch

Also present: Town Attorney	-Mr. Francis M. Miller
Building Inspector	-Mr. William E. Viton

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, called upon the Secretary for the reading of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Council held on February 16th, 1954 and the reading of the Minutes of the Continuation of this Meeting held on February 26th, 1954. Due to the lengthy contents of these Minutes, the Town Attorney was called on to read the last five pages of these Minutes. Upon the reading of these Minutes, the Mayor, Mr. Robert H. George, stated that he had discussed with the Town Manager, Mr. R. H. Kuiken, the matter of the construction of an auxiliary building as set forth in Section 3 of Resolution No. 62 and it was his opinion that the present garage be enlarged in lieu of this new construction as it would be more convenient to have all Town equipment stored under one roof. Councilman Howard G. McIlvried stated that if such building would be constructed away from the present garage an isolated site would have to be selected as Residents would complain if such a building would be erected near their homes. Since this item was on the agenda to be voted on at the Special Election to be held on April 6th, 1954 by the Residents of the Town Of Golden Beach, it was decided that no action be taken on this matter until after this Election. There being no corrections or objections or other comments offered, the President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, declared these Minutes approved.

The Secretary presented the cash report for the Month of February, 1954. The Cash Report, upon motion by Councilman Edward F. Guenther, seconded by Councilman Howard G. McIlvried, was approved and ordered attached to these Minutes and made a part hereof.

The Commissioner of Law & Finance, President Burt Hengeveld, presented to the Members of the Council, a financial statement itemizing the current budget appropriations and expenditures to date, listing balances remaining in each category. Councilman Howard G. McIlvried suggested that an indication be made on items that are over-running the budget appropriations and the Town Manager, Mr. R. H. Kuiken, stated that such over-expenditures had been authorized by the Members of the Council and that funds to meet such expenditures is to be taken out of the Unanticipated Revenue Fund. There being no further suggestions, the Financial Statement was ordered approved by the President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld.

The Council President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, stated that the time had not been established for the opening and closing of the polls for the Special Election to be held on April 6th, 1954. The Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, advised the Council that the Florida State Legislature had recently passed a ruling requiring that all polls on an Election Day in the State of Florida open at 7: A.M. and remain open until 7: P.M. and that the publication of Notice of this Election in the Miami Herald stated this fact. Thereupon the following Resolution, duly made, seconded and carried was passed and adopted:

"R E S O L U T I O N"

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

The Inspectors and Clerk of Election heretofore appointed by the Town Council of the Town Of Golden Beach to conduct the Special Election in the Town on Tuesday, April 6th, 1954 be and they are hereby directed to open the polls at 7: A.M. and close the same at 7: P.M. on said day of election as published in the Notice of said election in the Miami Herald.

PASSED and ADOPTED By the Town Council of the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida, this 16th day of March, 1954.

(Signed) Burt Hengeveld
President, Town Council

ATTEST:

(Signed) Gladys P. Kuiken
Town Clerk

APPROVED: (Signed) R. H. George
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A letter addressed to the Chief Of Police, Mr. R. H. Kuiken, signed by several Residents, was read by the Secretary requesting that the Ordinance prohibiting the running of dogs at large be enforced. The Chief Of Police, Mr. R. H. Kuiken, stated that he had been trying to

relieve this condition and it was agreed that the Chief Of Police should continue to handle this matter in the best way possible to prevent future annoyances of this nature and the Secretary was instructed to write a letter of reply advising the Residents concerned of the Council's action.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Albert V. Crespi, Resident, requesting the Members of the Council to consider having a wall erected on the southerly boundary of the City to separate the Town from the Chatlos building venture. The Town Manager, Mr. R. H. Kuiken, stated that a high hedge was to be planted along this line, which would be adequate for this purpose, thereupon no action was taken on this matter. The Secretary was instructed to write a letter of acknowledgement to Mr. Crespi.

The matter of the purchase of a spraying machine for the Town Of Golden Beach was brought up for discussion and the Commissioner of Health and Sanitation, Mr. Charles C. Koch, reported that he had been advised that a new machine was being made and as soon as he received word that it was ready for operation, arrangements would be made for a demonstration and probable purchase of same.

The Council President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, stated that he wished to advise the Members of the Council that Engineers from the State Road Department had been making a survey of Ocean Boulevard with regards to the widening and repaving of same and that they had informed him that in order to avoid a bottle-neck of traffic at the south end of Town more property than formerly anticipated would have to be consumed by the State and that a Mr. Butler from the State Road Department is to come up to consult with the Officials of the Town on this matter.

The matter of filling in of lots was brought up for discussion and the Town Manager, Mr. R. H. Kuiken, advised the Members of the Council that more than 50% of such lots had been filled. The Council President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, suggested that an additional extension of time be granted, but no action was taken on this matter due to the pending court hearing which was scheduled for the 6th of April, 1954, whereby a class suit injunction had been filed against the Town to prevent the Town from enforcing Resolution No. 58 requiring the filling in of lots. The Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, advised the Members of the Council that the case had been dismissed at the hearing brought on by the Class Suit in which they sought to get a temporary injunction against the Town. He further stated that as many Residents as possible should be secured to appear as witnesses at the Court Hearing on the 6th of April to testify on the Town's behalf and that signed affidavits should be had from registered engineers who were familiar with the conditions of these lots in question stating their reasons that such lots be filled. The Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller read two letters that he had secured from the Health Commissioner of Dade County, Dr. Katz and from Mr. Stutz of the Dade County Pest Control Bureau, citing the unsanitary conditions of low lots in the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida and the necessity for having same filled. Thereupon it was agreed that a committee consisting of all of the Members of the Council be appointed with Councilman Anthony J. Gocking as Chairman, to secure the witnesses to appear at this trial and get all the necessary signed documents and that arrangements be made to hire a

The Commissioner of Police And Fire, Councilman Edward F. Guenther asked the Council's consideration on the matter of starting a pension fund for the Patrolmen. The Commissioner of Law And Finance, President Burt Hengeveld stated that this matter is to be brought up for discussion at the time that the new budget is presented to the Members of the Council for approval.

The Town Manager, Mr. R. H. Kuiken, reported that Lots 1 & 2, Block "L", Section "E" had just recently been purchased by Mr. Harry Sucher, a Resident, and that arrangements were being made to have this property bulkheaded and he asked the Council's permission to have the strip of land adjoining this property, which the Town owns, bulkheaded at the same time. Thereupon a motion was made by Councilman Charles C. Koch, seconded by Councilman Anthony J. Gocking and unanimously carried that such property be bulkheaded and that money to cover this cost be taken from the Unanticipated Revenue Fund.

The Secretary inquired if ballots for the Special Election could be mailed to Freeholders who were out of Town and who have registered to vote in this Election. The Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller advised the Secretary that such ballots could be mailed.

The Mayor, Mr. R. H. George, inquired if the location of the Gould House on Ocean Boulevard met the requirements of the Building Code as it appeared to be extending out beyond the present existing buildings. The Building Inspector, Mr. William E. Viton, stated that the location of the Gould House was in accordance with the Building Code; that this problem had been thoroughly studied and measurements made and that it was in line with the present existing buildings.

During the course of this Meeting two Residents entered and remained as Visitors, Mr. Bennett R. Paulsen and Mr. Charles Durling. Mr. Durling inquired about the provisions of the Building Code with regards to a certain type of roof being used on new Residences. The Building Inspector, Mr. William E. Viton, advised Mr. Durling that no provisions had been made concerning this matter in the present building code.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this Meeting, upon motion by Councilman Edward F. Guenther, seconded by Councilman Howard G. McIlvried, the meeting adjourned.

R. H. George
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Laurita Chapman
Deputy Town Clerk