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

October 3rd, 1959

A Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida was held on Saturday, October 3rd, 1959 at 9:30 o'clock in the morning at the Town Hall. Upon roll call the following members were found to be present, constituting a quorum of the members of the Council.

Mayor Council President Councilmen:

-Mr. Larry O. Turner

-Mr. N. B. Ornitz

-Mr. Joseph R. Missett

-Mr. Edward M. Stuart

Councidmen Mr. Philip H. Curmings and Mr. F. Waldo Roth, being out of Town were not able to be present at this Meeting.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, who acted as Chairman of this meeting and Mrs. Laurita Chapman acted as Secretary.

The President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that the purpose of this meeting was to discuss the financial condition of the Town and other important matters.

The President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, reported that since the Commissioner of Law and Finance, Councilman Mr. Philip H. Cummings could not attend this meeting as he is out of the Country at the present time, according to the Charter of the Town Of Golden Beach, the Mayor can act in the place of any absent Commissioner and/or Councilman during their extended leave from the Town. The Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, who is also the Town Manager had made a complete study of the financial condition of the Town which resulted in the fact that the present budget which was revised in June 1st of this Year to meet the current expenses of the Town would have to be revised as of October 1st of this year so that no deficits would prevail. He therefore, with the assistance of the Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz had prepared a revised budget effective October 1st, 1959 which he would like the members of the Council to consider for their approval. The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ormitz, further explained that it is technically illegal for members of a municipal Council to over-expend budget appropriations and that the Accountants for the Town Of Golden Beach had stated in their last financial report the following:

"We are of the opinion that proper Budgetary Amendments should be authorized, from time to time, as indicated by necessity in order that potential criticisms and legal liabilities may be averted."

The Members of the Council, proceeded to examine the items of appropriations in the revised proposed budget, the Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, verbally listing each one as to their required increases and decreases in order to meet the needs of the Town. Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, questioned

the item of Maintenance of Beach and Seawalls in the amount of \$551.60 of which \$51.60 had been spent. The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that \$51.60 had been spent on repairs to the beach cleaning equipment and that the \$500 had been appropriated to repair certain sections of the Town's seawall, which money had not been used, therefore, this item should be Maintenance of Beach Cleaning Equipment and Repairs to Seawalls. The Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, reported that the appropriation for Street Lighting was increased due to the fact that the Florida Power and Light Company discovered that sufficient number of street lights in the Town were not being billed and had not been billed for some time and that the cost of these unbilled charges which were over \$300 had recently been paid. The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, explained that during the reign of the former Town Manager, whenever an additional new street light standard was installed in the Town, he failed to notify the Florida Power And Light Company. Recently the Town had repainted all the electric poles, afterwhich the Florida Power And Light Company had to renumber same, and in this process, it was discovered that their present billings did not include all of the present street light standards now in use, however Mr. Ray Ball of the Florida Power And Light Company was most cooperative in this matter and it was thru him that a most reasonable settlement of this matter was made. The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, further stated that in the past the financial statement prepared by the Accountants for the Town always showed deficits for many of the items of appropriations in their current budgets, which according to law was illegal, therefore to overcome this, the proposed revised budget had been prepared and if approved by the Members of the Council there should not be any deficits in the Town's current budget at the end of its fiscal year. Thereupon a motion was made by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, seconded by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, and upon a voiced vote by roll call was unanimously carried that this proposed budget be revised as of October 1st, 1959.

The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that since the proposed revised budget had been approved, in order to balance same, \$2,283.52 is needed and he recommended that the Council authorize that such sums of money be transferred from the Fines and Forfeiture Fund to the General Fund for this purpose. He further stated that when the current budget went into effect last November 1st, 1958, there were deficits prevailing consisting of encumbrances in the amount of \$1,043.97, accrued accounts payable in the amount of \$4,348.38 and a bank overdraft of \$216.64, which deficits totalling \$5,608.99, were paid out of this year's budget receipts, of which no provision had been made. He therefore recommended that the total amount of money on hand in the Fines & Forfeiture fund be transferred to the General Fund to take care of these deficits. Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett inquired as to the needs of a special bank account for the Fines & Forfeiture Fund when it is to be made a part of the General Fund and the Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, stated that in the beginning he was opposed to the Town having so many different bank accounts and that he was in favor of having same eliminated. Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that he would be in favor of such an arrangement if a special ledger sheet would be set up for income from fines and forfeitures and when he was advised that such a sheet was already in force in the Town's books, he made no further comment.

was made by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, seconded by ard M. Stuart, and upon a voiced vote by roll call was I that the total amount of \$6,607.08 on hand in the Fines I in the Peoples Bank be transferred to the General Fund ywood, thus abolishing this account and in the future all m fines and forfeitures be deposited in the General Fund y.

esident, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that Mr. William E. Viton, is critically ill and from all reports will never be duties of building Inspector of the Town. He therefore its with Mr. T. M. Arthur to take over these duties. Mr. ling Inspector for the City of Hallandale, had received Hallandale City Council to act in this capacity, with that all monies earned by him are to be paid to the City is asked the Council's approval of this appointment, which inted.

esident, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that a building variance Mr. Albert Roth in the construction of his proposed new to be located on Lots 8 and So, Block 1, Section A, which Council had previously initialed their approval.

er and Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, had received several of gasoline to the Town and the lowest bid which was from ng Company had been accepted and contract had been made Larry O. Turner would like the Council's approval on this ranted.

Town Manager, Mr. Larry O. Turner had also requested and oposals on workmen's Compensation and liability insurance wn and the best proposal offered was from the Willis Hollywood, Florida, which proposal upon motion by Councilissett, seconded by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart and , was accepted.

nt, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that on November 1st, 1959, d bridge is due and since no provision had been made in for this expenditure, he would like to recommend that the yor, Mr. Larry O. Turner and Councilman Mr. Joseph R. ed to negotiate a loan with a bank or reputable concerns ver this payment. Such loan is to be made, bearing the e possible to secure, and preferably for a term of Two funds received either from a bond issue or from adcted by the Town. This recommendation upon motion duly unanimously carried was approved.

Larry O. Turner, stated that a letter received from the County concerning their forthcoming drive had said withat wn was \$60.00, and he inquired if anyone knew what this Mr. Joseph R. Missett, stated that although he had talked

with some of the people connected with this organization, he had no idea of the meaning of this \$60.00 goal for the Town. In fact he had told them that they should contact the Commissioner of Law And Finance, Councilman that they should contact the Commissioner of Law And Finance, of the Mr. Philip H. Cummings on this matter.

There being no further business to come before the members of the Council at this meeting upon motion by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, seconded by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, the meeting was recessed seconded by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, the amount of \$21,812.00. awaiting the results of a negotiation of a loan in the amount of the Third bridge due November 1st, 1959 and other to cover the payment of the Third bridge due November 1st, 1959 and other important matters.

Mayor

Secretary