

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

April 21st, 1953

The regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida, was held on Tuesday, April 21st, 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.

Mayor  
President  
Councilmen

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

Also Present: Town Attorney  
Building Inspector

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

The following Residents attended the Meeting as Visitors:-

Mrs. Anne Sunshine, Mrs. Majorie Mayor, Mr. N. Gilman, Mr. S. J. Wallach, Mr. George H. Draper, Jr., Colonel S. J. Winfree, Mr. Norman Nobil, Mr. Samuel Halper, Mr. James T. Hennegan, Mr. Frank Januszewski, Mr. Marvin Bauer.

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 President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, suggested to the Members of the Council that this Meeting be continued until the next morning, if all matters could not be attended to by 12:30 o'clock, P. M. This suggestion met with the full consent of the Council.

The President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, called upon the Secretary for the reading of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 17th, 1953. These Minutes were read and two corrections were offered, namely:-

In the Resolution changing the time of the regular meeting of the Town Council it should read "to be held on the third Tuesday of each month" instead of "to be held on the third Monday of each month"

On the committees appointed by the American Merchant Marine Institute to study ways and means to prohibit tankers from discharging water ballast containing oil off of the coast of Florida, Three Master Mariners were appointed, instead of Three Master Marines.

These corrections being made, these minutes were ordered approved by the President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld.

The Secretary presented the cash report for the Month of March, 1953. The Cash Report, upon motion by Councilman Charles C. Koch and seconded by Councilman Howard G. McIlvried, was approved and ordered attached to these minutes and made a part hereof.

Councilman Anthony J. Gocking reported on the progress being made in regards to the reclassification of the Post Office in Golden Beach, Florida and stated that Petitions signed by the Residents of the Town requesting that the Golden Beach Postoffice be changed from a rural station of Hollywood, Florida, to a contract branch Postoffice attached to the Miami, Florida, Postoffice, had been sent to the Office of the Postmaster General, in Washington, D. C., that a case number had been assigned and that a Resident, Mr. Frank Januszewski, was responsible for the prompt attention this matter had received from the Post Office Authorities.

The Commissioner Of Health And Sanitation, Mr. Charles C. Koch, reported that the request to allow the Town Of Golden Beach to dump trash in the pit in Hallandale, was presented to the Members of the Hallandale City Council and it was their decision that a new dumping site be located before making arrangements with the Town Of Golden Beach to use their facilities for the disposal of trash.

The Commissioner of Streets and Lighting, Mr. Howard G. McIlvried, reported that a bid of \$.80 a sqyd. had been received to improve the roads on South Island and he recommended that the Town Maintenance Department continue to proceed with this improvement.

The Commissioner of Police And Fire, Mr. Edward F. Guenther, inquired if a settlement had been made by the Insurance Companies, regarding an accident which had caused severe damage to the Town Police Car. The Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, stated that a decision had not been made as to which Insurance Company is responsible as several Insurance Companies are involved and when this matter is determined, action will be taken to force a settlement.

The Mayor, Mr. Robert H. George, reported on the progress of the "Oil Pollution Campaign" and stated that since an Oil Tanker was caught discharging oily water ballast close to the shore of Fort Lauderdale, he has been keeping in close touch with Senator Smathers and Congressman Lantaff, in an endeavor to get a conviction of the Captain of this ship, for this violation.

The Mayor, Mr. Robert H. George, further reported that he had talked with Mr. Grant Stockdale, Commissioner of Dade County and was informed that the improvements by the County on ALA or Ocean Boulevard would be made this Summer or early next Spring and would be completed shortly thereafter.

The Building Inspector, Mr. William Viton, reported that Mr. Nance had agreed to remove the pipe from the walls and replaster same, to comply with the Building Requirements of the Town Of Golden Beach with regards to installation of gas heat in houses.

The matter of the construction of seawalls on property abutting the intra-coastal canal and inland waterways of the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida, was brought up for discussion and from information received from the Town Manager, Mr. R. H. Kuiken and the Building Inspector, Mr. William Viton, it was noted that this work was progressing very rapidly.

Councilman Howard G. McIlvried stated that it had been called to his attention that some of the vacant lots in the Town, needed cleaning very badly and he would like the Town to take some action on this matter. After considerable discussion, it was agreed that the Commissioner Of Health And Sanitation, Mr. Charles C. Koch, look into this matter and report on it at the next regular meeting of the Town Council.

Because of the possibility that certain of the Councilmen could not be present on May 19th, 1953, the regular date for the May Meeting of the Town Council, a motion was made by Councilman Edward F. Guenther and seconded by Councilman Anthony J. Gocking, and unanimously carried that the regular May Meeting of the Town Council be held on Tuesday, May 5th, 1953, at 9:30 o'clock, A. M.

The Secretary asked the Council's permission to advertise the delinquent 1952 Town of Golden Beach taxes and the Tax Sale. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Secretary was authorized to advertise the delinquent 1952 Town Of Golden Beach Taxes in the Miami Beach Times for Four (4) consecutive issues of June 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th, 1953, said Tax Sale to be held on Monday, July 6th, 1953, under the laws of the State of Florida.

A letter from Everett W. Severy, Certified Public Accountant, offering to audit the Town's Books for the Fiscal Year, November 1, 1952 through October 31st, 1953, for Three Hundred Fifty Dollars, was read by the Secretary, and upon this reading, it was agreed by all the Members of the Council that this bid be accepted.

The matter of the adoption of a Budget for the period November 1, 1953 thru October 31, 1954, was brought up for discussion by the Commissioner of Law And Finance, President Burt Hengeveld, who presented copies of a Proposed Estimate of Budget for this period to the Members of the Council and the visiting Audience and stated that this matter had already been discussed at a Special Meeting of the Town Council held on Monday, April 20th, 1953, but that no decision had been reached by the Council. Councilman Charles C. Koch requested that a copy of a revised proposed estimate of budget be given to the visiting Audience and presented same to the Council Members for discussion and consideration.

The Council Members thereupon proceeded to compare and examine the proposed Budget and the revised proposed budget, item by item, every item being discussed in detail, some changes being made, after fully and duly considering the needs and the best interest of the Town.

After considerable discussion as to the amounts to be set up for Maintenance and New Equipment, Parks And Playground and Beach Cleaning and Maintenance, upon a voiced vote which was unanimous, the Secretary was instructed to decrease provision for Maintenance and New Equipment from \$4,000.00 to \$1,000.00, and to delete the provision for Beach Cleaning and Maintenance in the amount of \$3,150.00

Since it could not be determined when Dade County would complete the improvements on ALA or Ocean Boulevard, the Members of the Town Council were polled on the amount to be set up for Parks and Playground and the vote was as follows:

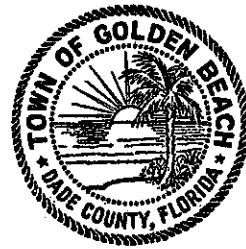
Councilman Anthony J. Gocking	- \$5,000.00
Councilman Howard G. McIlvried	- \$1,000.00
Councilman Charles C. Koch	- \$1,000.00
Councilman Edward F. Guenther	- \$1,000.00
President, Burt Hengeveld	- \$5,000.00

The Mayor, Mr. Robert H. George, stated that he objected to the amount of \$1,000.00 as it was his understanding that improvements on ALA would be completed by next Spring, but since the majority of the Council favored the amount of \$1,000.00, the Secretary was instructed to decrease provision for Parks and Playground from \$5,000.00 to \$1,000.00.

These corrections being made, upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, declared the budget adopted which is in words and figures, as follows:

BUDGET - YEAR NOVEMBER 1, 1953 THRU OCTOBER 31, 1954

Salaries Of Patrolmen - - - - -	\$10,800.00	
Police Radio - - - - -	960.00	
Maintenance And New Police Equipment - - - - -	900.00	
Police Miscellaneous Expenses - - - - -	150.00	
Gas And Oil - - - - -	1,000.00	\$13,810.00
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Labor (Maintenance of Streets, Parks, Bridges, Public Buildings, Trash Collection, and Sanitation) - - - - -	\$11,440.00	
Maintenance And New Equipment - - - - -	1,000.00	
Water - - - - -	700.00	
Maintenance Of Public Buildings - - - - -	600.00	
Gas And Oil - - - - -	1,000.00	\$14,740.00
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Street Repair Maintenance - - - - -	\$ 3,000.00	
Bridge Repair - - - - -	400.00	
Street Lighting Repair - - - - -	250.00	
Street Lighting - - - - -	1,500.00	
Parks And Playground - - - - -	1,000.00	\$ 6,150.00



TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH  
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

April 20th, 1953

We, the Undersigned, do hereby agree that Notices of the Special Meeting of the Town Council Of the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida, held on Monday, April 20th, 1953 at 9:30 o'clock in the morning at the Town Hall in the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida, be waived.

A. J. Gocking

R. H. Gump

J. W. M. Shried

W. H. Hengert

Wenther

Garbage And Trash Collection - - - - -	\$ 2,860.00	
Rat Extermination - - - - -	100.00	\$ 2,960.00
Insurance - - - - -	\$ 1,500.00	
Telephone - - - - -	250.00	
Tax Discount - - - - -	1,800.00	
Legal And Audit - - - - -	1,400.00	
Stationery, Printing And Postage - - - - -	500.00	
Town Clerk - - - - -	3,720.00	
Town Manager - - - - -	4,500.00	
Debt Service - - - - -	5,000.00	
Interest - - - - -	175.00	\$18,845.00
		\$56,505.00
Deficit - - - - -		3,778.24
Contingencies - - - - -		383.14
TOTAL - - - - -		\$60,666.38

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the Secretary was instructed by the Town Council to continue the policy followed in former years and assess each house in the Town of Golden Beach at the uniform assessed value of \$120.00 for the purpose of stimulating building in the Town, and the Secretary thereupon presented the Assessment Roll for the year 1953, showing the net valuation of taxable property on that basis of \$1,728,096.00.

The Members of the Council, thereupon proceeded to discuss the amount of receipts the Town would receive from Taxes and other sources and in order to have sufficient funds available to cover the total amount of the Budget, it was the feeling of some of the members of the Council to include police fines in the receipts. Several of the visitors voiced their opinions and upon motion by Councilman Edward F. Guenther and seconded by Councilman Howard G. McIlvried, it was decided that a five minute recess be taken before a decision is made on this matter.

At the termination of this recess, the Meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, and upon all Members being present, it was agreed unanimously upon roll call, that the millage for said roll be fixed at 30 mills.

It was further agreed by all the Members of the Council that in the future all expenditures must have the approval of the Commissioner of Law and Finance and of the Council Members.

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r made, seconded and carried, the Secretary was authorized  
in allow the following discounts for prompt payment of

During November 1953 - 4%  
During December 1953 - 3%  
During January, 1954 - 2%  
During February, 1954 - 1%

asked the Council's permission to advertise the Meeting  
lization. Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried,  
thorized to advertise in the Miami Beach Times, the  
l of Equalization, said Board to meet for three (3)  
ginning July 2nd, 1953, said meeting to be advertised  
Times in the issues of June 12th, 19th and 26th. It  
the Members of the Town Council sit as the Board of  
er that they may study the tax roll, review complaints  
s but no action was taken on this matter.

further business to come before the meeting, upon  
n Edward F. Guenther and seconded by Councilman Anthony  
ting adjourned.

TPH George  
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TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA  
CASH REPORT OF DEPUTY TOWN CLERK - FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 1953

Cash Balance April 1, 1953  
In the Miami Beach First National Bank \$ 19,069.33

Budgeted Receipts  
1952 Taxes Collected \$ 1,067.92

Other Receipts \$ 860.00  
Court Fines  
Receipts From Property Owners 76.60  
For Fertilizer Sales, Etc. 425.00  
Building Permits 150.00  
Clean-Up Bond Deposits 300.00  
Road Damage Bond Deposits 159.80  
Income Taxes Withheld 38.49  
Social Security Taxes Collected 350.00  
Sale Of Police Car 111.41  
Payment - Damage To Truck 6.51  
Contribution: Oil Pollution Fund  
Miscellaneous - Commissions On Pay Telephone 6.85

\$ 2,484.66  
\$ 22,621.91

TOTAL RECEIPTS

Cash Disbursements \$ 4,504.08  
Budgeted Disbursements 822.31  
Non-Budgeted Disbursements

\$ 5,326.39

Cash Balance April 30, 1953

On Hand In The Miami Beach First National Bank

\$ 17,295.52

Percent to  
Total

Total 1952 Tax Roll \$ 53,891.90  
Taxes Collected thru April 30th, 1953 52,713.15  
Unpaid Taxes at April 30th, 1953 \$ 1,178.75

100.00%  
97.81%  
2.19%



TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

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

Budget Disbursements

Landscaping Upkeep - Salaries And Wages	\$ 1,090.10
Landscaping Upkeep - Other Expense	103.60
Repairs And Maintenance:	
Public Buildings	9.45
Bridges	480.88
Beach	30.60
Police Services:	
Salaries	835.00
Radio Service	80.00
Police Equipment - Repairs	171.54
Equipment - Other	
Repairs	49.77
Gasoline	140.03
Telephone Service	19.65
Printing And Stationery	78.70
Waste Service	225.00
Lighting	232.40
Legal Fees	255.00
Town Clerk's Office	310.00
Town Manager's Salary	375.00
Office Supplies	16.36
Miscellaneous Expense - Wash Room Supplies	1.00
Total Budgeted Disbursements	\$ 4,504.08

Non-Budgeted Disbursements

Quarterly Return - Employees' Income	
Taxes Withheld	\$ 488.60
- Social Security	
Taxes	222.71
Building Inspection Fees	61.00
Refund: Clean-up Bond Deposit	50.00
Total Non-Budgeted Disbursements	\$ 822.31

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

\$ 5,326.39

April 8, 1953

Town of Golden Beach  
Golden Beach, Florida.

Gentlemen:

I have been requested to advise you concerning the valuation for taxation purposes all property in the Town of Golden Beach and the millage which may be levied to operate the municipality.

Section 40 of the Charter provides:

"The Town of Golden Beach may make its own assessment of property for taxation, and the valuation of the property by the municipality shall not be controlled by the valuation fixed by the State Tax Assessor for State and County taxation, but may exceed the same".

Section 42 of the Charter provides, in part, as follows:

"The Town of Golden Beach shall have the right to raise by taxation such amount as may be necessary for the carrying on of the government of the Town not exceeding fifteen mills on the dollar of the taxable cash value of all property in said Town."

In addition to the fifteen mills, the Charter provides that the Town

"shall have the right to levy such additional taxes as may be necessary to pay the interest on the outstanding bonds of the Town, and on such additional bonds as said Town may, from time to time, issue in accordance with law; and also to

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April 8, 1953  
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provide a sinking fund for the redemption of said bonds."

The Charter further provides that the Town

"shall have the right to levy such additional taxes as may be necessary to pay for the lighting of said Town and hydrant rental and to provide funds for the support and maintenance of the different Town departments, as follows:  
Police, Fire, Sanitation \* \* \* \* \*  
Parks and Docks, Repairs and Internal Improvements \* \* \* \* "

The Charter further provides that the Town Council shall have power, by Ordinance, to provide for the correction and validation of erroneous assessments or defective assessments.

There is nothing in the Charter that would prohibit the increase of the present millage, nor is there anything in the Charter that would prevent the Town from increasing the valuation of all property within the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

Francis W. Sullivan

Town Attorney

**FMM:7**

April 15th, 1953

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EVERETT W. SEVERY  
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT  
4125 NORTHWEST 7TH AVENUE  
MIAMI 37, FLORIDA

APRIL 14, 1953

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH  
GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

ATTENTION: MR. BURT HENGSEVELD, PRESIDENT OF  
TOWN COUNCIL AND COMMISSIONER OF  
LAW AND FINANCE

SUBJECT: BID FOR AUDIT FISCAL YEAR  
NOVEMBER 1, 1952 THROUGH  
OCTOBER 31, 1953

GENTLEMEN:

WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED THAT BIDS ARE BEING CONSIDERED FOR THE AUDIT OF THE  
RECORDS OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, FOR THE PERIOD NOVEMBER 1,  
1952 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 1953, AND WE THEREFORE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING  
AUDITING BID:

- 1 - TO VERIFY ALL NUMBERED TAX RECEIPTS TO THE TAX ROLLS AND  
TO RECONCILE THE TAX ROLLS FOR THE FISCAL PERIOD, GIVING  
CONSIDERATION TO DISCOUNTS ALLOWED AND PENALTIES ASSESSED,  
AS WELL AS ANY CORRECTIONS OF ORIGINAL ASSESSMENTS OR  
CANCELLATIONS THEREOF.
- 2 - TO VERIFY ALL DISBURSEMENTS AND WHETHER OR NOT SAID DISBURSE-  
MENTS HAVE BEEN PROPERLY AUTHORIZED BY THE COUNCIL.
- 3 - TO COMPARE RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS AGAINST PROPERLY  
AUTHORIZED BUDGET, PROVIDING SUCH IS AVAILABLE.
- 4 - TO EXAMINE ALL RELATED AUTHORIZATIONS, BUDGETED ACCOUNTS,  
AND OTHER RELATED MEMORANDA AFFECTING YOUR FISCAL YEAR  
RECORDS.
- 5 - TO EXAMINE ALL SUPPORTING EVIDENCE OF RECEIPTS FROM ALL  
SOURCES, INCLUDING LICENSES, LIENS, AND POLICE DEPARTMENT