

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

January 6th, 1955

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A Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida, was held on Thursday, January 6th, 1955 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	-Mr. Robert H. George
President	-Mr. Burt Hengeveld
Councilmen	-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

Councilman Edward F. Guenther, being out of Town, was not able to be present at this Meeting.

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 Secretary stated that the purpose of this Special Meeting was to discuss the borrowing of money to pay for the cost of improving the parkway on Ocean Boulevard and the discussion of defective seawalls.

The matter of the defective seawalls was brought up for discussion by the Council President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, who called on the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, who reported that Mr. Zink, one of the property Owners involved, who lives and is employed in Miami, was in to see him with regards to taking steps to force Mr. Stephens to repair his seawall. Mr. Stephens was contacted by phone and under threat by Mr. Zink to bring legal action against Mr. Stephens, Mr. Stephens had stated that he would immediately make arrangements to repair this seawall. The Council President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, stated that workmen had been on this job site, that he had discussed this work with them but that little progress had been made. The Building Inspector, Mr. William E. Viton, explained the amount of work involved to repair this wall and the question arose if the Town should assume the responsibility and expense to have these walls repaired. Councilman Anthony J. Gocking stated that he was opposed to the Town taking any such action as a precedent would be set, so that in the future if a seawall became defective, the property owner involved, would expect the Town to repair such wall, although he agreed on the opinion of the other Members of the Council, that the Town was morally obligated to see that these walls were repaired. Thereupon it was decided that the individual property owners involved in this matter be urged to take action to force Mr. Stephens to make all necessary repairs to the seawalls that had become defective and that the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller would give them every assistance.

The borrowing of money to pay for the cost of improving the parkway on Ocean Boulevard was brought up for discussion and the Commissioner of Parks and Public Buildings, Councilman Anthony J. Gocking, reported that it would cost approximately \$9,000.00 to complete this work which would include the installation of new cable for the lighting system and the re-planting of grass and shrubbery and that no appropriation was made in the current budget for this expenditure. Councilman Howard G. McIlvried stated that in examining the audit report for the fiscal year ending October 31st, 1954, an excess revenue was shown in the amount of \$9,951.73 and since he could not find where this amount was expended, he suggested that this money, if available, should be used for this purpose. All the Members of the Council participated in examining this audit report and since it could not be determined as to how this money was disbursed, it was decided, upon motion by Councilman Howard G. McIlvried, seconded by Councilman Charles C. Koch, that the Auditor be requested to be present at the regular meeting of the Town Council held on Tuesday, January 18th, 1955, to explain to the Members of the Council the disbursement of this money.

The matter of securing the necessary funds to pay for this improvement was then discussed. The Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, stated that since the Town has never adopted the policy of assessing abutting property where improvements are made, he suggested that securities be issued to pay for this cost. Councilman Charles C. Koch stated that he was opposed to the Town assuming any more indebtedness particularly if it would necessitate an increase in taxes as a promise had been made to the Residents to this effect. The amount of revenue that the Town receives annually from various sources was discussed. Councilman Charles C. Koch stated that he would approve of this indebtedness, since it is necessary that this parkway be improved, if a recommendation that when the new budget for the fiscal year November 1st, 1955 thru October 31st, 1956, is prepared and presented for adoption, a provision be made that all funds deposited in the Fine and Forfeiture Fund be used to take care of this indebtedness and that any money available in the other indebtedness funds of the Town be used to immediately retire such securities. This recommendation met with the full approval of the Members of the Council. Thereupon the Town Attorney Mr. Francis M. Miller, presented Resolution No. 69 entitled "A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH AUTHORIZING THE IMPROVEMENT TO THE CENTER STRIP OF OCEAN BOULEVARD AND PROVIDING FOR THE LIGHTING AND UPKEEP THEREOF AND THE PURCHASE OF THE NECESSARY MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT TO KEEP SAID CENTER STRIP IMPROVED AND THE BORROWING OF MONEY TO PAY FOR SUCH IMPROVEMENT". This Resolution was read by the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller and upon the reading of this Resolution, a roll call was made as follows:-

Councilman Burt Hengeveld - aye  
Councilman Howard G. McIlvried - aye  
Councilman Anthony J. Gocking - aye  
Councilman Charles C. Koch - aye

Thereupon Resolution No. 69 was passed and adopted by a four-fifths majority vote of the Town Council this 6th day of January, 1955.

There being no further business to come before the Members of the Council at this meeting upon motion by Councilman Anthony J. Gocking, seconded by Councilman Howard G. McIlvried, the meeting adjourned.

Laurita Chapman  
Deputy Town Clerk

G. N. P. H. Gering  
Mayor

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

CASH REPORT OF DEPUTY TOWN CLERK - FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 31, 1954

Cash Balance December 1, 1954 - General Fund

In the Miami Beach First National Bank

\$48,632.80

Budgeted Receipts

1954 Taxes Collected

\$ 3,427.98

Less Tax Discount Allowed

94.45

3,333.53

Other Receipts

Receipts From Property Owners

For Fertilizer Sales, Etc.

93.50

Sale Of Cocoanuts

300.00

Sale Of Booklet

1.00

Telephone Service

1.55

Income Taxes Withheld

143.20

Social security Taxes Collected

33.30

572.55

TOTAL

\$52,538.88

Cash Disbursements

Budgeted Disbursements

\$ 6,038.78

Non-Budgeted Disbursements

146.00

\$ 6,184.78

CASH BALANCE

\$46,354.10

FINE AND FORFEITURE FUND DEPOSITS

Total Deposits thru December, 1954

\$1,085.00

735.00

Cash Balance December 31st, 1954

On Hand in the Miami Beach First National Bank

\$47,089.10

Total 1954 Tax Roll

\$ 63,016.78

Taxes Collected thru December 31, 1955

\$ 58,832.58

Unpaid Taxes at December 31, 1955

\$ 4,184.20

Percent to

Total

100.00%

93.35%

6.65%

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ANALYSIS OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1954

Budget Disbursements

Landscaping Upkeep - Salaries And Wages	\$986.00
Landscaping Upkeep - Other Expense	3.00

Police Services:

Salaries	1,107.85
Radio Service	80.00
Police Equipment - Purchases	1,035.00
- Repairs	663.32

Equipment - Other

Repairs	202.03
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Insurance	194.97
Lighting	161.70
Gasoline And Oil	260.55
Telephone Service	42.55
Waste Service	252.00
Water	22.92
Inspection Fees (Christmas Bonus)	50.00
Office Supplies	22.48
Town Clerk's Office	431.90
Town Manager's Salary	511.90
Miscellaneous Expense:- Washroom Supplies	10.61

Total Budget Disbursements

\$6,038.78

Non-Budget Disbursements

Inspection Fees	146.00
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TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

\$6,184.78

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CASH ANALYSIS OF OTHER FUNDS FOR DECEMBER 1954

Cash Balance December 1st, 1954 - Municipal Improvement	\$ 55,523.66
Certificate of Indebtedness Fund	
In the Miami Beach First National Bank	
<u>Cash Disbursements</u>	
Interest due on Securities	\$1,480.00
Paving Of Roads - a/c Contract - Pan	
American Construction Co.	14,000.00
Lot Filling - Town Property, Curcie Bros	<u>2,547.04</u>
Total Disbursements	\$ 18,238.94
Cash Balance, December 31st, 1954 - - - - -	<u><u>\$ 37,284.72</u></u>

Cash Balance, December 1st, 1954 - Municipal Improvement	
Sea Wall Bond Fund	
In the Miami Beach First National Bank	\$ 6,840.57
<u>Cash Disbursements</u>	
Interest due on Securities	\$ 222.00
Sea Wall Installation - C. B. Smith	1,881.50
Inspection Fees - W. E. Viton	<u>37.63</u>
Total Disbursements	\$ 2,141.13
Cash Balance, December 31st, 1954 - - - - -	<u><u>\$ 4,699.44</u></u>

Cash Balance December 1st, 1954 - Municipal Improvement	
Lien Certificate of Indebtedness Fund	
In the Miami Beach First National Bank	\$ 12,278.16
Cash Receipts - Liens Collected thru December, 1954	<u>6,228.45</u>
Total Cash	\$ 18,506.61
<u>Cash Disbursements</u>	
Interest due on Securities	\$ 1,160.00
Filling Of Lots - Curcie Bros.	6,175.20
Checking Lot Filling - H. S. Blakeney	<u>278.12</u>
Total Disbursements	\$ 7,613.32
Cash Balance, December 31st, 1954 - - - - -	<u><u>\$ 10,893.29</u></u>

Cash Balance, December 1st, 1954 - Municipal Improvement	
Lien Sea Wall Bond Fund	
In the Miami Beach First National Bank	None
In the Mercantile National Bank	\$ 27,256.30
<u>Cash Disbursements</u>	
Interest Due On Securities	\$ 1,040.00
Sea Wall Installation - C. B. Smith	14,173.36
Inspection Fees - W. E. Viton	<u>283.46</u>
Total Disbursements	\$ 15,496.82
Cash Balance, December 31st, 1954 - - - - -	<u><u>\$ 11,759.48</u></u>