

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA
February 19, 1946

The regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach, Florida was held on Tuesday, February 19, 1946 at 4 p.m., and upon roll call the following members were found to be present constituting a quorum of the Council:

Mayor	- Mr. James T. Hennegan
President	- Mr. Martin Pulcher
Councilmen	- Mr. Ward A. Seranton
	Mr. G. A. Mavon
	Mr. George H. Draper, Jr.

Councilman W. L. Gilmore was absent at the beginning of the meeting but entered the meeting later as will appear in these Minutes.

Also present were:

Attorney	- Mr. Francis M. Miller
Deputy Town Clerk	- Mr. Fred G. Gamer

Five residents of the Town attended the meeting as visitors.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Martin Pulcher, President, who called on the Deputy Town Clerk, acting as Secretary of the meeting, for the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 15, 1946.

After the reading of these Minutes the President of the Council asked whether there are any objections or corrections and when none were offered, he declared the Minutes approved as read.

Superintendent Williams thereupon was requested to make his report and advised the Town Council that the Town crew had difficulty with garbage collections due to the fact that some residents had no garbage cans and that others were in bad shape and could not readily be picked up. The Superintendent was requested to furnish a list of the names of these residents to either the Mayor or the President of the Town Council, who would contact the respective parties.

The President of the Town Council thereupon called upon the Deputy Town Clerk for his Cash Report, which was presented by the Clerk, covering the month of January 1946. Upon the presentation of this report, when no objections or corrections were offered, the President of the Town Council ordered the Cash Report approved and attached to these Minutes and made a part hereof.

The Deputy Town Clerk thereupon presented to the meeting copy of contract with the City of Miami dated February 1, 1945 and expiring February 1, 1946, providing for a charge of \$50.00 per month for police radio service, which was signed by R. K. Lackey, the former Mayor of the Town, and attested to by Irene M. Gilmore as Town Clerk, explaining again that while the contract called for an increase to \$50.00 per month beginning February 1st, the City of Miami had not put this increase into effect until December 1, 1945, and had rendered bills to the Town of Golden Beach for \$50.00 per month for the Months of December 1945, January 1946 and February 1946.

Thereupon Councilman G. A. Mavon moved, which motion was seconded by Councilman George H. Draper, Jr., that the contract for police radio service with the City of Miami be cancelled. This motion, upon being put to a vote, was lost, no vote being cast.

The Deputy Town Clerk thereupon was instructed to call Lt. Demby of the Miami Police Communications Division and see whether he could not obtain some credit due to the fact that the police car had not been in use for some time and therefore the radio service had not been used, and to report to the Council at its next meeting.

The Mayor thereupon reported on the progress having been made by him in acquiring a new police car for the Town and advised the Council that thru the efforts of Mr. Schippman, a resident of the Town of Golden Beach, who was present at the meeting, he had succeeded to secure a Nash automobile which would be available to the Town for delivery at Chicago, Illinois, next week; that the son of Mr. Miller, another resident of the Town, was coming down to Golden Beach the beginning of March and he had offered to drive the police car from Chicago to Golden Beach. The Mayor was commended for his good efforts, and his actions in connection with this were approved.

Attorney Francis M. Miller thereupon reported to the Council that the Zeugner suit had been dismissed.

The President of the Town Council, Mr. Martin Pulcher, thereupon reported on the repairs needed at the loggia and recommended that Edgar F. Sutton, Sculptor, be employed to repair or replace the loggia columns which needed attention.

The President of the Town Council, Mr. Martin Pulcher, and Councilman George H. Draper, Jr., were thereupon appointed a Committee to look after this and upon motion by Councilman Ward A. Scranton and seconded by Councilman G. A. Mavon, this Committee was authorized to have the necessary work done.

The Mayor thereupon made his report. He reported on the following:

1. That he had contacted the Sunny Isles Water Company again who will try to sink another test well in order to obtain better water for the Town. Councilman W. L. Gilmore entered the meeting at this point.

2. The Mayor reported that the owners of the Patton property intended to and had made application for the moving back of the road along the ocean front on the south end of the Town of Golden Beach, and expressed concern as to what would be done with the water pipe which is now serving the Town of Golden Beach and which now runs along side this road. He reported that he understands this was an 8" line. Councilman W. L. Gilmore thereupon interjected that he understands it is a 6" line.

The water problem was thereupon discussed by all the Councilmen, Councilman W. L. Gilmore expressing the opinion that something should be done at this time to get some action for better water for the Town of Golden Beach. He suggested that a sinking fund of from \$15,000.00 to \$20,000.00 be built up and that definite plans be formulated and put into effect to secure an adequate and good water supply for the Town of Golden Beach. At this point the Mayor suggested the appointment of a post war planning board.

Attorney Francis M. Miller thereupon advised the Council that Engineer Sydow, in 1938, had made a complete survey of the Town's water problems and suggested that Mr. Sydow be employed to bring his survey up to date and to submit plans to the Council.

Councilman Ward A. Scranton thereupon moved, which motion was seconded by G. A. Mavon, that Attorney Francis M. Miller be authorized to employ Engineer Sydow to bring his survey up to date, and to make report to the Council for a fee not to exceed \$250.00. This motion, upon being put to a vote, was carried by all Councilmen, voting in the affirmative except Councilman W. L. Gilmore, who voted "no" and wished his vote so recorded, stating at the same time that he was opposed to further delay and wished some positive action taken by the Council.

3. The Mayor thereupon suggested that the Town of Golden Beach make application for a Post Office, and introduced Mr. Gilman, a resident of the Town, who could be of considerable assistance in obtaining a Post Office for the Town of Golden Beach. Mr. Gilman thereupon explained that this would be a fourth class Post Office and would have no delivery service. It could be applied for either on an all-year-round basis or on a seasonal basis.

Councilman W. L. Gilmore expressed the opinion that the establishment of a Post Office in Golden Beach could not be done under the charter of Golden Beach which restricted all buildings in the Town to one family dwelling houses. The matter was thereupon dropped.

4. The Mayor reported that he had found that it was nothing unusual for Dade County to furnish material and labor to municipalities within Dade County for bridge and road repairs. The Council discussed the condition of the bridges in the Town and thereupon Councilman G. A. Mavon and Councilman W. L. Gilmore were requested to make a survey of the work needed on the bridges within the Town and were authorized to have the necessary work done.

5. The Mayor proposed the purchase of light cable and reported that about 30 globes are missing on the light standards within the Town.

6. The Mayor also reported that he understands that some people in the Town are renting rooms for compensation and advised the Council that the Police Department had notified him that the loggia and beach is apparently being used to quite some extent by strangers who are not entitled to its use. The difficulty of distinguishing between strangers and house guests of the Town of Golden Beach or lot owners was thereupon discussed at length and it was suggested that an admission card be printed to be issued to persons entitled to the use of the loggia and beach, so that the Police Department could then take proper action against unauthorized persons. No definite action was taken on this suggestion.

Councilman W. L. Gilmore thereupon tendered his resignation as member of the Town Council since he had sold all his property in the Town and felt that it was proper for him to tender his resignation. Mr. Gilmore thereupon left the meeting.

After some discussion, Councilman George H. Draper, Jr., moved which motion was seconded by Councilman G. A. Mavon, that Mr. Gilmore's resignation be accepted and that the Council at the same time express its thanks to Mr. Gilmore for the valuable services which he had rendered to the community.

The President of the Town Council, Mr. Martin Pulcher, thereupon called upon the Deputy Town Clerk to poll the members of the Town Council on this motion. Thereupon Councilman Ward A. Scranton voted "Yea"; Councilman G. A. Mavon voted "Yea"; Councilman George H. Draper, Jr. voted "Yea" and President of the Town Council Martin Pulcher voted "Yea", and the motion was unanimously carried.

The question of a successor for Mr. W. L. Gilmore, just resigned, thereupon was discussed, and upon motion by Councilman George H. Draper, Jr., seconded by Ward A. Scranton, Mr. Charles E. Volkhardt was unanimously elected a member of the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach to fill the unexpired term of Mr. W. L. Gilmore, just resigned.

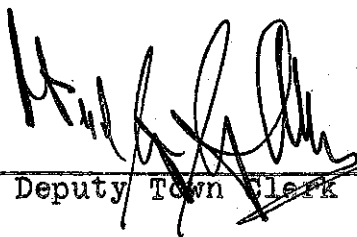
Councilman Ward A. Scranton thereupon reported that he had written to the U. S. Coast Guard, also the the U. S. Army Engineers regarding the speed of vessels thru the waterways within the Town limits and that ~~has had~~ signs describing the speed limit will be posted at the north end and the south end of the Town, in accordance with the authority granted him by the Council at its last meeting. He also reported that he and Mayor James T. Hennegan had attended the meeting in the interest of Veterans.

.. The Mayor thereupon discussed the second repair bill received from Judy Hollywood Motors on the police car and this matter was left in the hands of the Mayor to handle.

Upon motion by Councilman Ward A. Scranton, properly seconded and unanimously carried, the Mayor was authorized to sell the Town's

police car to the best advantage since the Town now had the assurance of a new car which was expected to be available in Golden Beach shortly after March 1st.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting adjourned.



Deputy Town Clerk



Mayor

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

CASH REPORT OF DEPUTY TOWN CLERK - MONTH OF JANUARY 1946

Balance -			
In The First National Bank			
of Miami - January 2, 1946		\$27,585.92	
Cash in transit deposited January 7, 1946		<u>513.27</u>	\$28,099.19

Receipts - Month of January 1946

1945 Taxes Collected	\$ 1,047.89		
Less: Discounts	<u>20.92</u>	\$ 1,026.97	
Pay-as-you-go Tax Withheld		37.70	
Court Fines		275.00	
Building Permits		200.00	
Clean-Up Bond Deposit		100.00	
Inspection Fees		10.00	
Tax Certificates Redeemed:			
1944 Taxes	\$ 87.46		
Interest Thereon	<u>15.86</u>	<u>103.32</u>	
		\$ 1,752.99	
Less: Disbursements		<u>2,151.81</u>	<u>398.82</u>
Balance of Cash to be accounted for			<u>\$27,700.37</u>

Cash Accounted For

In The First National Bank			
of Miami		\$27,499.43	
Cash in transit deposited February 4, 1946		<u>200.94</u>	<u>\$27,700.37</u>

Total 1945 Tax Roll	\$22,842.62	Percent to
Less: Taxes Collected to		Total
January 31, 1946	<u>19,915.34</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
Uncollected Balance	<u>\$ 2,927.28</u>	<u>87.18</u>
		<u>12.82%</u>