

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

March 15th, 1960

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The Regular Meeting of the Town Council of the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida was held on Tuesday, March 15th, 1960 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. Philip H. Cummings  
-Mr. Joseph R. Missett  
-Mr. Edward M. Stuart

Councilman Mr. F. Waldo Roth, due to illness in his family, was not able to be present at this meeting.

The following Residents attended the Meeting as Visitors:-

Mr. Ralph E. Hough, Mr. Roger Creel, Mr. Ben Elkind, Mr. M. E. Kuryla, Mr. Norman Nobil, Mr. James T. Hennegan, Mr. Nathan Gilman, Mr. Louis Abrons, Mr. Joseph N. Shure, Mr. A. J. Dauphenaïs, Mr. A. Bergmann, Mrs. M. Swartz, Mrs. Lillian Fairfield, Mr. Henry F. Herschbach, Mr. L. Vernarelli, Mrs. Frances Levy, Mrs. Jill Shulman, Mrs. Kathleen Hackney, Mr. Jack Manne

The Meeting was called to order by the Council 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 copies of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on February 16th, 1960 have been mailed and received by all the Members of the Council and he would like to have the Council's opinion of same. Thereupon a motion was made by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, seconded by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart and unanimously carried that the reading of these Minutes be waived and accepted as mailed.

The Secretary presented the cash report of the General Fund and a Cash Analysis of the other funds of the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida, for the Month of February, 1960. These reports were read by the Secretary and upon the reading of these reports, the Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz inquired if the investment in Government Securities should not be shown on this report. The Secretary stated that an investment was made in Government Securities on March 1st which will be shown on the Cash Report covering this month and that the previous investment made in such Securities was shown on the Cash Report of the Month of which it was made. However, in order to keep the Residents and the Members of the Council advised as to the Financial Condition of the Town, the Secretary was instructed to note on each Cash Report, the amounts invested in Government Securities, so that everyone will be aware of the actual financial condition of the Town. The Mayor and Town Manager, Mr. Larry

O. Turner, suggested that a note be made on the Cash Reports that money received for Builders' Bond Deposits is to be refunded. Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett inquired as to the amount of \$1,260.00 received for Fines & Forfeitures and the Mayor and Town Manager, Mr. Larry O. Turner, advised Mr. Missett that this was the amount of a check received from Metro in the month of February, 1960, and that it could not be determined at this time just what months this amount covered for the tickets that have been issued for traffic violations. With regards to the item "Fines & Forfeiture Expenses", Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett inquired as to what expenses are involved in this regard. The Mayor and Town Manager, Mr. Larry O. Turner, stated that this item covered the charges made for the upkeep of prisoners while they are in jail and the fees paid to witnesses whose appearances are needed for testimony in Court in the prosecution of certain cases. There being no further corrections, objections or suggestions offered, these cash reports, upon motion by Councilman Mr. Philip H. Cummings, seconded by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, were ordered approved as modified by the Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz and are attached to these Minutes and made a part hereof.

The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that since Councilman Mr. F. Waldo Roth was not able to attend this meeting due to the illness of his wife, he requested the Mayor and Town Manager, Mr. Larry O. Turner to report on his behalf as Commissioner of Parks and Public Buildings. The Mayor and Town Manager, Mr. Larry O. Turner, reported that additional plans have been received on the beautification of the parkway on Ocean Boulevard and of the Loggia, one of which was shown to the Members of the Council and the Visiting Audience and as soon as a thorough study is made of all the plans received and after taking into consideration the recommendations and suggestions offered in this regard, action will be taken on this matter.

Plans for improving the Town Hall have just been received and are ready to be submitted to Contractors for bids on this work.

The Commissioner of Police and Fire, Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, reported that the Police Department is operating very satisfactory, that everything appears to be peaceful and quiet and because of the efficiency and alertness of the Police Department, hoodlums who have been invading this area have not made their attempts on the Residents of our Town.

The Commissioner of Law & Finance, Councilman Mr. Philip H. Cummings, reported that in accordance with the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$90,000.00, which were sold by sealed bids for \$91,250.00, the Town has recalled as of March 1st, 1960, Municipal Improvement Certificates of Indebtedness - New Bridge Construction Work, in the aggregate amount of \$14,760.00, which amount includes the interest due on same. After making this payment and taking into consideration the amount of money that would not be needed immediately for certain expenditures, it was determined that a certain amount of money would be on hand in this fund which would not be needed for immediate use, therefore a purchase had been made of \$35,000 U. S. Treasury Bills for \$34,260.24, due date, August 25th, 1960, which investment will net the Town additional income and he ask the Council's approval of this action, which was unanimously granted.

Councilman Mr. Philip H. Cummings, further reported that according to the Charter of the Metropolitan Government of Dade County, as of January 1st, 1961, all Municipalities under their jurisdiction must conform with the County's fiscal year which begins October 1st, of each year. Since the fiscal year of the Town Of Golden Beach has always started November 1st of each year, he ask the Members of the Council to authorize that the fiscal year of the Town Of Golden Beach be changed so that it would conform with the County's fiscal year. Thereupon it was agreed unanimously, upon a voiced vote by roll call that the fiscal year for the Town of Golden Beach begin October 1st of each year instead of November 1st of each year to be effective with our current year which means that this current year will be for eleven (11) Months only beginning November 1st, 1959 and ending September 30th, 1960.

The Town Manager, and Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, reported that he has secured several proposals on the cost of auditing the Town's books for this fiscal year. Heretofore the Accounting Firm of Everett W. Severy, C. P. A. had done this work for \$1,200.00 and that they have stated that they could not continue to do this work for this amount as their cost warranted that \$1,800.00 would have to be charged in order for them to meet their expenses and that although their reports were very complete and satisfactory in every detail, the proposals received from other Accounting Firms were less, particularly the proposal received from Pentland, Purvis, Keller and Company, who offered to do this work for the amount of between \$800.00 and \$1,000.00 and he ask that the Members of the Council voice their opinions on this matter. Councilman Mr. Philip H. Cummings, inquired if their proposal covered their rendering a complete financial report and he was advised that it did. The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that since this proposal provides that for this amount they will have to be given a two-year contract and inasmuch as a newly elected Council would be in office during this period of time, he was wondering if the present Council had the right to take on such an encumbrance and when he was advised by the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, that it would not be wise to award such a contract at this time, a motion was made by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, seconded by Councilman Mr. Philip H. Cummings and unanimously carried that the Mayor and Town Manager, Mr. Larry O. Turner, after a thorough and proper investigation of all parties concerned, to use his best judgment in employing an Accounting Firm to do the work of auditing the books of the Town Of Golden Beach for this fiscal year; such a contract to be awarded for one year stipulating that the newly elected Council, after they take office will be recommended that they employ the same Accounting Firm to do this work. The Mayor and Town Manager, Mr. Larry O. Turner, further stated that he had contacted the Bank Of Hollywood in this regard and was informed that they use the Firm of Pentland, Purvis, Keller and Company for their auditing work.

With regards to capital expenditures authorized by the last bond issue, the Mayor and Town Manager, Mr. Larry O. Turner, reported that to date the only money expended was to the American Sprinkler Company for the installation of six water meters to take care of the sprinkler system that is being installed. The work of installing the sprinkler system is nearly complete but that payment for same will not have to be made until thirty (30) days after completion if proved satisfactory and that the plans for improving the Town Hall are now ready to be submitted to Contractors for bids.

The Commissioner of Public Streets and Lighting, Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, reported that the bond issue provides an expenditure of \$5,000.00 for improvements to the Town's present lighting system and drainage outlets.

A thorough study has been made of what would be needed to supply adequate street lighting for everyone concerned and although the lumens have been increased in some of the street lights in certain sections of the Town, which according to the Police Department have been a great asset in their patrolling of the Town, there still is a need of forty-one additional street light standards which are to be placed on the Islands, North Bay Drive and the west side of Ocean Boulevard. The cost of these street light standards would normally be approximately \$130.00 each but since the Town was advised by a representative of the Florida Power and Light Company that the City of Sarasota has on hand a number of street light standards for disposal, similar to the ones that the Town is now using, the Mayor and Town Manager, Mr. Larry O. Turner, made a trip to Sarasota, leaving at 5 o'clock in the morning and was able to purchase 95 such standards at a cost of \$15.00 each which resulted in a great savings to the Town. The installation of these standards would not involve any additional expense as the Town has on hand sufficient wiring to do this work which is to be done with Town labor. The Florida Power And Light Company have also been consulted with regards to this work and not only have they approved of same but have agreed to install an additional circuit which would further prevent all the lights going out when there is a power shortage. The only additional expense involved when this work is completed is the charge that will be made for the current that will be used to supply the lighting needed for the additional street light standards. The Town also has on hand sufficient pipe to make the necessary improvements to the present drainage system, which purchase was made at a very low price due to the efforts of former Councilman Mr. Ralph E. Hough and the Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, and that this money is to be reimbursed to the General Fund from the Bond Fund Account.

Since the adoption of a new budget will have to be made by the Town Council at its meeting in May, a study had been made of the appropriations and expenditures to date of the current budget and due to good management, there will be a surplus in the General Fund as monies allocated for certain items will not be expended. In making this review, from all appearances, there will be on hand approximately \$30,000 which will not be needed to meet the expenses of the Town for this fiscal year, therefore when the new budget is prepared this savings could permit a reduction of the Town's present millage rate or it could be put in abeyance to be used for additional capital improvements. All the Residents have been apprised of the appointment of a Planning Committee as authorized by the Town Council at its last Meeting. Since the purpose of this Committee is to accept suggestions and recommendations from the Residents on the improvements that they would like the Town to undertake so that living in our Town would be more enjoyable to all, he ask that all the Townspeople offer their wishes in this regard to the Members of the Planning Committee whom he would like to have stand-up and be recognized as their names were called as follows:-

Honorable Mr. Larry O. Turner	-Co-Chairman
Mrs. Kathleen Hackney	-Co-Chairman
Honorable Mr. Joseph R. Wissett	-Council Member
Mr. Louis Abrons	
Mr. Jack Manne	
Mr. Franklin Pierce	
Mr. Joseph N. Shure	

Each Member of this Committee was received with welcoming applause from the visiting Audience expect Mr. Franklin Pierce who was out of Town and was not able to be present at this meeting. The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz,

further reported that some of the suggestions received from certain Residents concerned the possibility of installing a swimming pool at the Loggia and having a Golf Course made available in the Town for the Residents and although prices and plans have been offered on these projects, it was not his or the Council's wish to force any issues on the Residents, rather he would like the Residents to express their desires on such matters, so that the Council could act accordingly with respect to either having such improvements made with the cash surplus on hand or to make a reduction in the Town's taxes. At his request that the Members of the Planning Committee submit their reports, Mrs. Kathleen Hackney took the floor and stated that she would like everyone to know that her feelings in this matter were the same as that of the Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, that the Town Belongs to the Residents and that an active interest should be shown by all; that every member of this Committee is only too happy to receive the suggestions and know the wishes of the Residents which suggestions need not be given to the members directly but could be put in writing and left at the Town Hall; that it is not anyone's desire to force any issue but to try and give the people what they want.

The Mayor and Town Manager, Mr. Larry O. Turner, stated that a word of thanks be extended to Mr. Nathan Gilman for the beautiful raft that he so generously gave to the Town and that as soon as arrangements can be made, same will be placed at the Loggia for the enjoyment of those who wish to make use of it.

Mrs. Kathleen Hackney, Resident, stated that a round of applause be given to our Mayor and Town Manager, Mr. Larry O. Turner, who made such an arduous trip to Sarasota in order to save the Town Considerable money on the purchase of the street light standards, which applause was generously given by all.

Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, stated that a little note with newspaper clipping had been sent to the Council from a Resident, Mr. Joseph N. Shure, which concerns a problem that he would like to have discussed, namely, the matter of undesirables renting homes in Golden Beach and he was wondering just what could be done in this regard, as usually such conditions cause unpleasantness which the Town would certainly like to avoid. A Resident, Mr. Jack Manne, inquired if an Ordinance could not be passed which would require that all persons who are going to rent a home for a certain period of time be screened by the Members of the Council before taking occupancy of such home and the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, stated that such an Ordinance could be passed but it could never be enforced, therefore Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, stated that such an Ordinance would be useless. The Commissioner of Police And Fire, Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, stated that a Bulletin could be sent to all the Owners of houses in Golden Beach asking them to use discretion in the renting of their homes so that the other Residents of the Town would not be subject to indignities from persons of questionable character who are allowed to reside in our Town for a certain period of time and that all Real Estate Agents should also be notified and given a copy of this Bulletin. A Resident, Mrs. Kathleen Hackney, suggested that a printed inquiry be given to the persons who rent which inquiry will contain information that would be most helpful if trouble arises as she had a very unfortunate experience when she rented a house that she owned on Miami Beach. A general discussion followed

with the visiting audience participating, afterwhich it was decided, upon motion by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, seconded by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, that a bulletin be sent to all the Residents, apprising them of this matter and asking their cooperation and that a copy of this bulletin be given to all the Real Estate Agents who are known to handle such properties in Golden Beach.

A Resident, Mrs. Kathleen Hackney, stated that a meeting is to be held this Friday, March 18th, 1960 at 7:30 o'clock in the evening at the Town Hall for the purpose of presenting and meeting Senator "Bud" Dickinson who is a Candidate for Governor of our State and she ask that everyone show their courtesy to Senator Dickinson by attending this Meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Members of the Council at this meeting, upon motion by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, seconded by Councilman Mr. Philip H. Cummings, the meeting adjourned.

  
MAYOR

  
Secretary

# TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

## CASH REPORT OF DEPUTY TOWN CLERK - FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1960

Cash Balance, March 1st, 1960  
In the Bank Of Hollywood

- General Fund

\$18,278.61

### Budget Receipts

#### 1959 Taxes Collected:-

Real Estate \$6,517.91  
Beach Cleaning 162.50  
Garbage Collection 560.00  
Lot Cleaning 813.00

Total Taxes Collected

\$8,053.41

Less Tax Discount Allowed

8.10

Franchise: Florida Power & Light Co.

\$8,045.31

TOTAL BUDGET RECEIPTS

3,333.92

\$11,376.23

### Other Receipts

#### Court Fines

Franchise: Peoples Gas Co.

\$ 373.34

Permits: - "For Sale" Signs

10.46

Building

60.00

Employees Group Insurance Collected

50.00

Income Taxes Withheld

132.25

Social Security Collected

264.20

Refund: Damage to Town Equipment

124.21

from Insurance Companies

48.50

Refund: (Funds transferred from the

(Municipal Improvement Bond

(Fund for expenses incurred

in connection with the

Miscellaneous Income: Pay Phone Commissions

798.35

5.53

\$ 1,866.84

Total

\$ 31,521.68

### Cash Disbursements

#### Budget Disbursements

Non-Budget Disbursements

\$ 6,187.68

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

360.00

\$ 6,547.68

Cash Balance, March 31st, 1960

On Hand in the Bank Of Hollywood

\$ 24,974.00

Purchase of \$65,000 Treasury Bills on December 21st, 1959

\$ 63,144.41

Maturity Date June 16th, 1960

Actual Financial Status of the Town as of March 31st, 1960

\$ 88,418.41

Total 1959 Tax Roll

\$122,703.81

Taxes Collected thru March 31st, 1960

\$119,450.30

Unpaid Taxes at March 31st, 1960

\$ 3,253.51

PERCENT TO TOTAL

100.00%

97.35%

2.65%

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA  
ANALYSIS OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE MONTH OF March, 1960

<u>Budget Disbursements</u>	
Landscaping Upkeep - Salaries And Wages	\$ 1,727.76
Landscaping Upkeep - Other Expense	14.40
<u>Police Services</u>	
Salaries	\$ 2,063.30
Equipment Repairs	168.79
Radio Service	60.00
<u>Equipment - Other Repairs</u>	
	258.42
<u>Repairs And Maintenance</u>	
Electric Lines	15.64
Public Buildings	109.20
Streets And Drainage	5.40
Gas And Oil	276.00
Garbage Collection	54.00
Insurance	428.54
Legal Fees	255.00
Lighting	270.80
Office Supplies	98.30
Telephone Service	51.53
Town Clerk's Office	325.00
Water	5.60
Total Budget Disbursements	\$ 6,187. 68
<u>Non-Budget Disbursements</u>	
Fees: Building Inspector	\$ 60.00
Refund: Builders' Bond Deposits	300.00
Total Non-Budget Disbursements	360.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 6,547.68



# TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

## CASH ANALYSIS OF OTHER FUNDS FOR THE MONTH OF March, 1960

Cash Balance, March 1st, 1960 - Municipal Improvement Lien Certificate of Indebtedness Fund	
In the Peoples National Bank	
Cash Receipts	\$3,684.78
Total Cash	None
Cash Disbursements	
Securities Recalled March 1st, 1960 and interest thereon	\$3,030.00
Cash Balance, March 31st, 1960 - - - - -	\$ 654.78
Cash Balance - March 1st, 1960 - Municipal Improvement Lien See Wall Bond Fund	
In the Peoples National Bank	
Cash Receipts	\$4,032.95
Total Cash	None
Cash Disbursements	
Securities Recalled March 1st, 1960 and interest thereon	\$3,232.00
Cash Balance, March 1st, 1960 - - - - -	\$ 800.95
Cash Balance - March 1st, 1960 - Municipal Improvement Bond Fund In the Bank Of Hollywood	
Cash Receipts	\$ 9,125.00
Total Cash	
Balance due on purchase of bonds	82,125.00
Cash Expenditures And Disbursements	\$91,250.00
Purchase of \$35,000 U. S. Treasury Bills date of Maturity, August 25, 1960	\$34,260.04
Expenditures for Improvement to Town Hall	
Legal Fees, Printing of bonds, election costs architect and Engineer's fees	1,703.58
Purchase of Street Light Standards	1,432.18
Installation of Sprinkler System on Parkway on AIA or Ocean Boulevard	6,092.50
Outstanding Securities recalled on new bridge construction work	44,760.10
Total Expenditures & Disbursements	\$88,248.40
Cash Balance, March 31st, 1960 - - - - -	\$ 3,001.60
Investment in U. S. Treasury Bills as noted above	\$34,260.04
Actual Financial Status of Town Of Golden Beach Municipal Improvement Bond Fund	\$37,261.64



TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH  
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Office of the Mayor

March 24th, 1960

Pentland, Purvis, Keller & Company  
Certified Public Accountants  
1704 DuPont Building  
Miami 32, Florida

Att: Mr. Walter P. Davidson

Gentlemen:

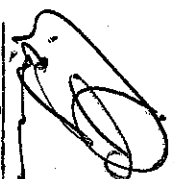
Kindly be advised that at our regular Council Meeting held on March 15th, 1960, the Writer's recommendation that your Firm be appointed as General Auditors for the current year was accepted by our Town Council. This action was taken with the understanding that your quotation as outlined in your letter of February 23rd, 1960 would be for our current year only; it being further understood, however, that our present Council will recommend to the new Council next February, that you be retained for the following year; this to be at your election.

For your information our fiscal year has been from November 1st to October 31st. However our Council has voted to change the fiscal period to coincide with that of Dade County - therefore the audit you will make will be for eleven (11) months this year - November 1st, 1959 to September 30th, 1960.

If the foregoing meets with your approval, please sign the duplicate copy of this letter and return same to us.

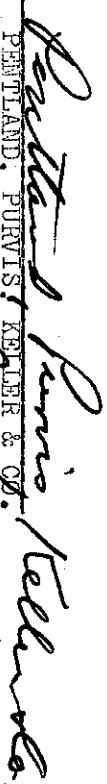
Yours very truly,

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

  
Larry O. Turner  
Mayor

LOT:c

ACCEPTED:

(Signed)   
PENTLAND, PURVIS, KELLER & CO.

by , Partner  
(Date) 3-26-60

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President

HENRY M. WEEDON  
Vice President and Treas.

ELIZABETH R. WEEDON  
Secretary

Telephone: WA 2-9015 or WA 2-4856

April 8, 1960

Miss Laurita Chapman, Town Clerk  
Town of Golden Beach  
Golden Beach, Florida

Dear Miss Chapman:

Town of Golden Beach  
Estimate of Insurance Costs-1961

Confirming our telephone conversation - your total estimated insurance costs for 1961 is approximately \$4,400.00. This includes the \$125.00 per month paid by the Town for their employees' hospitalization as well as the fire and extended coverage policy written on the Town Hall and Garage by another agent.

Please let me know if there is any other information you may need.

Kind personal regards.

Very truly yours,

WILLIS INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.  
*Robert Anderson*  
Vice President

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*Representing* HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY and HARTFORD ACCIDENT AND INDEMNITY COMPANY

HARTFORD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY GROUP

HARTFORD 15, CONNECTICUT



March 21st, 1960

Patrolman William E. DeMattia  
Golden Beach Police Department  
Golden Beach, Florida

It is my pleasure to advise you that I have authorized for you, a pay increase - effective March 16th, 1960.

Your new pay rate is \$375.00 monthly.

I, and the other members of the Town Council will continue to watch your performance, with the desire to observe your efforts, judgement, appearance and duty decisions - and reward your efforts appropriately, as time and conditions make further remuneration and recognition possible.

I wish also to tell you that it is my personal thinking, that my earnings, and yours too, is a matter only of our own personal concern. I feel it is bad practice, to discuss with others, outside of your own family, your pay rate - or his. Curiosity alone is the only purpose served.

Thank you for the part you are playing in the loyal and efficient performance of the Golden Beach Police Organization, under the supervision of Chief Crum and Lieutenant Bryant. I trust that the happy satisfaction we all should feel in our duty assignment will continue for a long time ahead.

Sincerely,



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E. M. Stuart  
Commissioner of Police

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