

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

April 10th, 1956

A Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida was held on Tuesday, April 10th, 1956 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. Anthony J. Gocking
-Mr. Edward F. Guenther
-Mr. Joseph R. Missett
-Mr. Ralph E. Hough

Also Present: Town Attorney
Building Inspector

-Mr. Francis M. Miller
-Mr. C. A. Veckarelli

Three Residents attended this Meeting as Members of a Committee, namely:-
Mr. L. Abrons, Mr. R. E. Berenson, Mr. P. C. Riley.

The Secretary stated that this was a Special Meeting, the purpose being The Discussion and possible passage of New Building Ordinance.

The Meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, who acted as Chairman of this Meeting and Mrs. Laurita Chapman acted as Secretary

The President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, stated that a Committee had been appointed to investigate ways and means of preventing speculative builders from erecting houses on fifty foot lots and called on the Chairman of this Committee, Councilman Ralph E. Hough to give a report on this matter. Councilman Ralph E. Hough reported that a meeting of this committee had been held and after a thorough study of the present building and Zoning Ordinance No. 52, it was decided that in order to safeguard the Residents who have considerable investments in their homes and to avoid the menace of ~~allowing speculative builders to~~ erect homes on fifty foot lots, a recommendation be made to change Section 6 of Ordinance No. 52, to state that all homes erected in the Town Of Golden Beach must have at least 2500 sqft of livable floor area space, that it should not cost less than \$35,000 at the July 1951 Price Index, that the ground area should not be less than 15,000 sqft for any one house and that Section 5 of Ordinance No. 52 should be enforced in that overhangs on houses should not be allowed to go beyond the ten foot side line restriction. Mr. L. Abrons, Resident and Committee Member, stated that the recommendations offered by Councilman Ralph E. Hough substantiate the provisions in the preamble of Ordinance No. 52 and he ask that the Council take some action to put these changes into effect. The Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, advised the Council not to accept all these recommendations as the Town may become involved in several legal suits as these recommendations definitely prevent an Owner from building on his lot and that legally an Owner cannot be told how much he has to spend on his house. However, he suggested that since all residences must have septic tanks, as a health and sanitary precaution, a restriction could be made on the size of the drain fields, thus making it very difficult for builders to erect homes on fifty foot lots. A general

discussion followed as to what other means could be adopted in order to prevent speculative builders from erecting houses on fifty foot lots and it was the consensus of opinion of the Council Members that the suggestion offered by the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller that a restriction be made as to the size of the septic tank drain fields, be accepted. Mr. L. Abrons, Resident, ask if a requirement could not be made that all houses must have at least 2500 sqft of liveable floor area space and that they should not cover more than 25% of the ground area, to which the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller replied that this is acceptable, and since it could not be determined at this time a definite size of a septic tank drain field, the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, thereupon presented Ordinance No. 74, entitled: "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 6 OF ORDINANCE NO. 52, RELATING TO THE REQUIRED SQUARE FEET AREA OF HOUSES ERECTED IN THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA AND THE AREA OF SUCH HOUSES CONSTRUCTED ON ANY BUILDING LOT."

This Ordinance being submitted as an emergency Ordinance, was given its first, second and third readings at this Meeting and upon the readings of this Ordinance, a roll call was taken as follows:

Council President	-Mr. Burt Hengeveld - aye
Councilmen	-Mr. Edward F. Guenther - aye
	- Mr. Anthony J. Gecking - aye
	-Mr. Joseph R. Missett - aye
	-Mr. Ralph E. Hough - aye

Thereupon Ordinance No. 74, which was unanimously carried, was declared adopted by the President of the Town Council, Mr. Burt Hengeveld.

The Council President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, asked if any action had been taken on the matter of a wall being erected on Town Property in the front of the Residence at 200 Ocean Boulevard. The Town Manager, Mr. R. H. Kuiken, presented a letter, which the Council President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, read, addressed to the owner of this property in question, requesting that he have this wall removed back to his front property line. Since no action had been taken as yet by this Owner to correct this condition, the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, was instructed to write a letter, demanding the Owner to remove this wall within a given time, otherwise the Town will proceed to take action against him.

Plans for a construction of a swimming pool at the residence of Mr. Alfred Barton, 88 Terricinni Avenue, was presented to the members of the Council by the building Inspector Mr. C. A. Veckarelli, for approval. The Members of the Council proceeded to examine these plans and upon the advice of the Mayor, Mr. Robert H. George, that although this pool was to have a screen enclosure, it would not be a nuisance to the residents in the area as there is a high hedge surrounding this property and since this construction is in accord with the Town's Building and Zoning Ordinance, it was decided that these plans are in order and that a Building Permit be issued to do this work.

There being no further business to come before the Members of the Council at this Meeting, upon motion by Councilman Anthony J. Gecking, seconded by Councilman Edward F. Guenther, the meeting adjourned.

Laquita Chapman
Secretary

R. H. George
Mayor

April 10, 1956

Mr. Edward Leon
200 Ocean Boulevard
Golden Beach, Florida

Re: Wall at 200 Ocean Boulevard

Dear Mr. Leon:

You have caused to be erected a wall on Town property at 200 Ocean Boulevard, Golden Beach, contrary to the Code and Ordinances of the Town of Golden Beach.

This is to advise you that if this wall is not removed before April 20, 1956 the Town of Golden Beach will proceed against you as it may be advised.

You were advised to remove this wall on April 4th and you have ignored this. No further extension of time will be granted you.

Yours very truly,

FRANCIS M. MILLER.

FMM:mhr

cc - Mr. R. H. Kuitken
Town Manager

April 4th, 1956

Mr. Edward Leon
200 Ocean Boulevard
Golden Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Leon:

This is to advise you that the wall that you have installed around the driveway of your residence at 200 Ocean Boulevard, Golden Beach, Florida, is placed on Town property in the front of your home on Ocean Boulevard and is creating a traffic hazard.

At the request of the Mayor, Mr. Robert H. George and Council President, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, I am writing to ask that you have this wall removed back to your front property line.

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

R. H. Kuiken
Town Manager

RHK:c

March 26th, 1956

Members of the Town Council
Town Of Golden Beach, Florida

Gentlemen:

For the past several years, I, with my late Father have been allowed to build homes in the Town Of Golden Beach and since his passing, I have been carrying on this enterprise.

Recently, I with some Associates, purchased several lots at the North end of South Island with the plan in mind to erect homes on same.

Since making this purchase, an Ordinance has been passed which prohibits me from building because I have not a Contractor's license; the reason for this being that it is almost impossible for anyone to secure a Contractor's license in Dade County unless one has influence with the Powers in charge, which I do not have. The houses that I have constructed in the past are proof enough that I have the ability to build and since it is my understanding that certain Residents are protesting having homes located on fifty foot lots, I would like to add that the houses that I have built are all on seventy-five feet or more and their beauty and style is such that they enhance the general appearance of the Town and this practice I intended to carry out in the homes that I would like to be able to erect on South Island.

With these facts in mind and the considerable investment that has been made in securing the South Island property, I would ask that you make some arrangements to allow me to continue to build in Golden Beach. You can realize the hardship I will be under if this request is denied.

Any favorable action in this matter will be deeply appreciated.

Yours very truly,

M. E. Banc

March 29th, 1956

Mr. Marvin Bauer
c/o Golden Gate
19400 Collins Avenue
Miami Beach 41, Florida

Dear Mr. Bauer:

At a Special Meeting of our Town Council on Tuesday, March 27th, 1956, your request that we change our Ordinance No. 73, was discussed.

It was unanimously agreed that this Ordinance is fair and just to all concerned and that no changes be made.

Yours very truly,

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

Burt Hengeveld
President, Town Council

BH:c

March 28th, 1956

Mr. W. Ran Churchill
2434 Pierce Street
Hollywood, Florida

Dear Mr. Churchill:

At a recent meeting of the Town Council, it was called to the attention of its Members that the work of painting the Town Hall was done by you in which you contributed your services.

On behalf of the Members of the Council, I, as Commissioner of Parks and Public Buildings, was requested to express their feelings of appreciation and extend to you their heart-felt thanks.

Yours very truly,

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

Ralph E. Hough
Commissioner of Parks And
Public Buildings

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