

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

May 17th, 1960

The Regular Meeting of the Town Council of the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida, was held on Tuesday, May 17th, 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 all 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. F. Waldo Roth
-Mr. Edward M. Stuart

Also present: Town Attorney

-Mr. Francis M. Miller

The following Residents attended the meeting as Visitors:-

Mr. Norman Nobil, Mr. Ben Elkind, Mr. Ralph E. Hough, Colonel S. W. Winfree,
Mr. M. E. Kuryla, Mr. Max Schlossberg, Mr. James T. Hemmegan, Mr. Roy Bazelon,
Mr. Anthony J. Gocking, Mr. Frank Strueber, Mr. Bob Bernson, Mr. George Kaplan,
Mr. P. C. Riley, Mrs. Mae Coyas, Mrs. Kathleen Hackney, Mr. Albert Segal, Mr.
George H. Draper, Jr., Mr. A. Brill, Mrs. Lillian Fairfield, Mrs. Frank Ernst,
Mr. Joseph N. Shure, Mr and Mrs. S. Nasher, Mr. R. Weidler, Mr. Carl T. Douglass,
Mrs. Catherine Miller, Mr. Herbert E. Paul, Mr. Elmer Hamburg.

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, called upon the Secretary to present 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 April, 1960. These reports were read by the Secretary and upon the reading of these reports, Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett inquired as to the amount of \$63,444.41 shown on this report for the purchase of \$65,000.00 of U. S. Treasury Bills. The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, advised Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, that the actual investment of \$63,444.41 to purchase these bills is shown because the Town will not receive the face value of these notes until their maturity dates which is June 16th, 1960, providing that the Town retains these notes until that time. There being no further corrections or objections made, upon motion by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, seconded by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, these reports were ordered approved by the Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, and are attached to the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on April 19th, 1960 and made a part thereof.

The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that since all the Members of the Council have received copies of the Minutes of the Meeting held on April 19th, 1960, he would like to have the Council's opinion of same. Thereupon a motion

was made by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, seconded by Councilman Mr. F. Waldo Roth and unanimously carried that the reading of these Minutes be waived and accepted as received.

The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, reported that a careful study has been made of the receipts and expenditures as set forth in the current budget for the year 1959-60, whereas it was determined that there will be a surplus in the General Fund of \$39,935.75, due to the fact that the cost of operating expenses has been reduced, additional income received on investments, a small gain was made on the sale of bonds, payment on some of the Town's indebtedness was delayed and the changing of the Town's fiscal year which instead of ending October 31st, 1960 will end September 30th, 1960, thus creating an 11 month period for operating expenses instead of 12 months, therefore each item of the current budget expenditures can be reduced as the full amounts provided for these items will not be needed and after taking into consideration the above mentioned reductions plus the additional revenue that was not anticipated, he recommended that the present budget be amended so that the surplus of \$39,935.75 can be deducted from this budget and held in abeyance for the purpose of making use of this surplus in the new budget which will be presented for adoption at this meeting. A Resident, Mr. Frank Strueber inquired if a provision had been made in this proposed amended budget to take care of any emergency that may arise and the Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, advised Mr. Strueber that such provision had been made. Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, stated that in the study of this proposed amended budget, it was his opinion that ample funds have been appropriated to take care of all the expenses that the Town would have to assume from the present time until the end of it's fiscal year. Thereupon a motion was made by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, seconded by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart and upon a voiced vote by roll call, unanimously carried, that the present budget of the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida, be amended as recommended by Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, which amended budget is in words and figures as follows:-

PROPOSED ESTIMATE OF BUDGET
FISCAL YEAR - NOVEMBER 1, 1959 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1960
TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

ANTICIPATED RECEIPTS

Taxes:		
Real Estate	\$101,799.61	
Beach Cleaning	4,095.00	
Garbage Collection	7,945.00	
Lot Cleaning	8,864.20	
Total		\$122,703.81
Rental- Post Office		475.00
Franchise - Florida Power & Light Co.		3,500.00
Miscellaneous Receipts		10,180.09
TOTAL ANTICIPATED RECEIPTS		<u>\$136,858.90</u>
Less Surplus (To be transferred to new budget)		\$ 39,935.75
TOTAL		<u><u>\$ 96,923.15</u></u>

BUDGET EXPENDITURES

Police Department:

<u>Radio Service</u>	\$ 660.00
New Equipment	2,074.22
Maintenance Of Equipment	1,500.00
Salaries	24,610.00

Other Departments:

<u>Salary - Town Manager</u>	None
Salary - Town Clerk	3,725.00
Labor - Wages, General	21,000.00
Christmas Bonus	569.00
Equipment Purchases - New	1,000.00
Garbage Collection	400.00
Gasoline & Oil	2,600.00
Insurance	3,930.00
Legal & Audit	2,135.00
Maintenance - Beach	200.00
Maintenance - Bridges	10.00
Maintenance - Electric Lines	275.00
Maintenance - Equipment, General	950.00
Maintenance - Municipal Buildings	200.00
Maintenance - Parks & Parkways	3,600.00
Maintenance - Streets	1,000.00
Office Supplies	540.00
Miscellaneous Office Expense	250.00
Rat Extermination	1,300.00
Social Security Taxes	1,285.00
Street Lighting	2,600.00
Tax Discounts allowed	4,190.52
Telephone & Telegraph	450.00
Water	600.00
Reserve For Contingencies	353.81

Debt Service

<u>Interest</u>	4,175.60
Retirement of Bonds and	
Certificates of Indebtedness	10,740.00

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS

\$96,923.15

The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, further reported that a tentative budget for the year 1960-61 has been prepared, the Members of the Council having made a thorough study of same. The total appropriations of this budget amounts to \$117,446.41, which includes the cost of a new truck for the maintenance department, fees for the lifeguards and salary increases for certain employees of the Town and it was his opinion that this budget was a very safe and liberal one as the miscellaneous receipts calls for \$6,000 instead of the former \$10,000 and that there is set up in this budget \$1,600 for Reserve For Contingencies to take care of any emergencies that may arise, which have not been anticipated. He called on

the Town Tax Assessor, Mr. Joseph R. Missett, who reported that the taxable property in the Town totals \$6,871,190.00 of which there is a homestead exemption allowed in the amount of \$111,500.00 making a net assessed valuation of \$6,456,690.00. The Council President, Mr. W. B. Ornitz, stated that based on these assessed valuations the millage rate for the coming year can be fixed at 8.08 mills which makes a reduction in the Town's Taxes of approximately 4.9%. He further reported that the fees for beach cleaning have been reduced from \$32.50 per fifty foot lot to \$15.00 per fifty foot lot and that the lot cleaning fees have been reduced from \$32.00 per fifty foot lot to \$20.00 per fifty foot lot and that the fees for collection of garbage and debris remain the same. Considerable study had been made of the cost to the Town of cleaning the beach and vacant lots and it was determined that the fees as set up in this proposed new budget are the actual costs to the Town for these services and that the surplus that is now available in the current budget is reflected in the tax structure. He therefore ask the Members of the Council to approve the adoption of this proposed new budget, whereupon a motion was made by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett which was seconded by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart and upon a voiced vote by roll call unanimously carried that this budget be adopted, such budget being in words and figures as follows:-

PROPOSED ESTIMATE OF BUDGET
FISCAL YEAR - OCTOBER 1, 1960 THRU SEPTEMBER 30, 1961
TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

ANTICIPATED RECEIPTS

Taxes:		
Real Estate	\$ 52,170.06	
Beach Cleaning	1,860.00	
Garbage Collection	7,980.00	
Lot Cleaning	<u>5,495.60</u>	
TOTAL		\$ 67,505.66
Rental - Post Office		475.00
Franchise - Florida Power & Light Co.		3,500.00
Miscellaneous Receipts		6,000.00
TOTAL ANTICIPATED RECEIPTS		<u>\$ 77,480.66</u>
Plus Surplus on hand		<u>39,935.75</u>
TOTAL		<u><u>\$117,416.41</u></u>

BUDGET EXPENDITURES

Police Department	\$ 720.00
Radio Service	2,500.00
New Equipment	1,500.00
Maintenance Of Equipment	23,500.00
Salaries	

BUDGET EXPENDITURES (CONT.)

<u>Other Departments</u>		
Salary - Town Manager		\$ 6,000.00
Salary - Town Clerk		4,200.00
Labor - Wages, General		26,000.00
Christmas Bonus		650.00
Equipment Purchases - New		5,000.00
Garbage Collection		500.00
Gasoline & Oil		3,300.00
Insurance		4,685.00
Legal & Audit		2,300.00
Maintenance Of Beach		300.00
Maintenance - Bridges		250.00
Maintenance - Electric Lines		500.00
Maintenance - Equipment, General		1,000.00
Maintenance - Municipal Buildings		1,000.00
Maintenance - Parks & Parkways		2,000.00
Maintenance - Streets		1,500.00
Office Supplies		500.00
Miscellaneous Office Expense		250.00
Rat & Mosquito Control		1,300.00
Social Security Taxes		1,800.00
Street Lighting		3,200.00
Tax Discount Allowed		2,972.00
Telephone & Telegraph		500.00
Water		1,000.00
Reserve For Contingencies		1,653.41
<u>Debt Service</u>		
<u>Interest</u>		5,096.00
Retirement of Bonds and		
Certificates of Indebtedness		11,740.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		<u>\$117,446.41</u>

Upon motion by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, seconded by Councilman Mr. F. Waldo Roth, the Secretary was instructed by the Town Council and authorized to again allow the following discounts for prompt payment of taxes:-

During November, 1960	-1%
During December, 1960	-3%
During January, 1961	-2%
During February, 1961	-1%

The Assessment Roll for the year 1960 was presented, showing the net valuation of taxable property at \$6,456,690.00. It was agreed that the millage for said roll be fixed as follows:-

Operation of Police Department	2.01 Mills
Labor, Maintenance, Etc.	2.42 Mills
Repairs (Streets, Bridges, etc.)	0.04 Mills
Sanitation & Health Department	0.01 Mills
General Operational Expenses	2.60 Mills
Debt Service Expense	1.00 Mills
TOTAL	8.08 Mills

The Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, reported that since he has been acting Town Manager from the time that he was elected Mayor of the Town Of Golden Beach, he would like to recommend that the Chief Of Police, Mr. Charles A. Crum, be given a leave of absence as Chief Of Police in order to assume some of the duties of the Acting Town Manager until such time as the new Council takes office which will be during the month of February, 1961, in order for him to become familiar with the duties of the Town Manager so that it can be determined if such a position can be turned over to him if it be agreeable to all parties concerned and in the intermitting time, Lieut James Bryant be appointed as acting Chief Of Police. Thereupon a motion was made by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, seconded by Councilman Mr. F. Waldo Roth and upon a voiced vote by roll call, unanimously carried, approving the recommendation as presented by the Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner.

The Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, further reported that since he was authorized as Town Manager, to employ a life-guard for the Loggia, such employment had been made as he was able to employ two members of the Hollywood Fire Department who have arranged to work on alternate days of the week at the rate of \$10.00 per day during the week and \$15.00 for Sunday, thus there will be a life-guard on duty seven days of the week for the sum of \$75.00. These two employees are experienced in the art of life-saving, the use of life-saving and first aid equipment, are married and of good character and he ask the Council's approval of this action which was unanimously granted.

The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that the Board of Equalization is scheduled to meet on July 5th, 6th and 7th, 1960 at the Town Hall. The purpose of this Board is to study the tax roll, review complaints and make suggestions and if any taxpayer of the Town has any complaints to make in this regard, they should present same to this Board on the above mentioned days. Since the Members of the Council sit as the Board of Equalization, he would like to appoint Councilman Mr. Philip H. Cummings, Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, the Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner as Members of this Board, which appointments were accepted and approved.

The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that at the last Meeting of the Council a discussion was held as to the removing of all signs in the Town Of Golden Beach and called on Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett to report on this matter. Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, reported that Ordinance No. 14 was passed by the Town Council in 1935, sections of which he read, stating that the Town could prohibit the display of signs, thereupon in order to have all signs abolished, Ordinance No. 14 should be enforced. The Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, stated that this Ordinance was prepared to discourage the display of signs as it was not legal to prevent a person from placing a sign in a window on the inside of their home. However since the display of

signs had been allowed, the fee being \$10.00 for each sign displayed, a discussion followed as to ways and means to have signs abolished completely, whereupon the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis W. Miller, presented the following Resolution, which upon motion by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, seconded by Councilman Mr. Phillip H. Cummings and upon a voiced vote by roll call, unanimously carried and declared adopted by the Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz.

" R E S O L U T I O N O F T H E T O W N C O U N C I L
O F T H E T O W N O F G O L D E N B E A C H , F L O R I D A

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA THAT
WHEREAS it is the Council's opinion that all signs within the limits of the Town Of Golden Beach be abolished, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida that henceforth no permits be issued to allow the placing of signs within the limits of the Town Of Golden Beach and that the permits that have been heretofore issued for such signs be allowed to remain until November 1st, 1960

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 17th day of May, 1960.

(Signed) N. B. Ornitz
Council President

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

(Signed) Laurita Chapman
Deputy Town Clerk

(Signed) Larry O. Turner
Mayor

The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, reported that suggestions have been received from the Planning Board, one from Mr. Joseph N. Shure a Member of this Board which the Secretary was called on to read, requesting that the Town Council make arrangements to have all the streets closed leading into the Town Of Golden Beach, except the Strand, so that the Residents could have more protection and be safe-guarded from undesirables entering the Town, particularly if a guard could be placed at the entrance on the Strand. The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that a careful study had been made of the closing of these streets, that legal advice had been received. He called upon the Secretary to read a letter from the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis W. Miller, stating that according to the Florida Statutes, the Town had the right to close these streets and with this in mind he would like to suggest that these streets be closed temporarily for a certain period of time in order to determine if such an arrangement would be to everyone's satisfaction. He called upon the Members of the Council and the visiting audience to voice their opinions on this matter. Mrs. Kathleen Hackney stated that the closing of these streets would not only offer more protection to the Residents but would give the Town more prestige and cited on some of the Towns in the surrounding area that have such arrangement. The problem of traffic was brought up and it was the Council's opinion that a traffic light could be secured for ALA and the entrance to the Strand, particularly if the other roads would be closed as heretofore this was not possible. A general discussion followed

With the visiting audience participating, some of the Residents being for and some against this action. Thereupon the Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, called upon all those who approve to raise their hands, 31 were counted who showed their approval and when only 3 were counted who showed their disapproval, it was decided upon motion by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, seconded by Councilman Mr. Edward W. Stuart and unanimously carried that all the streets leading into the Town Of Golden Beach, except the street leading into the Strand, be barricaded for a period of two months, during the months of June and July, 1960 and that the Town Council should immediately make every endeavor to have a traffic light installed at the entrance to the Strand, and if such arrangement be proven unsatisfactory, these barricades are to be removed. A Resident, Mr. Joseph W. Shure, inquired if some arrangements could not be made to have a fence or high hedge installed at the north end of Town for additional protection to the Residents and the Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, advised Mr. Shure that an effort will be made in this regard and called on the Town Manager and Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, to secure prices on this work. The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, further pointed out that if the closing of the streets becomes permanent, it will involve considerable expenses, as certain streets will have to be widened, fences installed and extra help employed to act as guards at the one entrance to the Town and he would like all those to bear this in mind when they make their decisions.

The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, further pointed out that in the abolishing of signs, arrangements should be made so that information can be given out with regards to properties that are for sale or rent. He therefore recommended that a committee be appointed consisting of Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett and Councilman Mr. Phillip H. Cummings, to make a study of this matter and accept all suggestions on this matter from Residents and other persons so interested. This recommendation had the full approval of the Members of the Council.

A Resident, Mrs. Joseph Hackney, stated that a change has been made in the schedule of the busses that take the children in Golden Beach to and from School. Heretofore the bus that picked the children up took them to a school in Bal Harbor, however a new school has opened up in a neighborhood that is not very desirable and because they do not have a large number of pupils in attendance a bus from this school has been assigned to pick up the children in Golden Beach and take them to this school which is not to their liking. Therefore a petition expressing their protests on this action has been prepared and she ask the Members of the Council to assist her in securing signatures for this petition and the Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz assured Mrs. Hackney that every assistance possible would be rendered by the Council on this matter.

Another Member of the planning board, Mr. L. Abrons, had suggested that the Town's present requirement of 10 feet set backs on side lines of houses be increased to 20 feet so that houses could not be built on 50 foot lots. The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, called upon the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis W. Miller, for his opinion on this matter. The Town Attorney, Mr. Francis W. Miller, stated that when the Town was first sub-divided and developed by the Ralston Brothers, the original form called for a 3 foot side line set back and legally the owners of property have a right to demand this 3 foot set back. Since the Town was subdivided into 50 foot lots, having a 10 foot side line setback does allow them to build on this size lot and if taken to Court could be upheld, however, with a 20 foot side-line set back, it would be impossible for anyone to build on a 50 foot lot, therefore it would never be upheld in Court, therefore any such action would be useless. Since Mr. Abrons was not present at this Meeting it was decided by the Members of the Council that the Mayor and Town Manager, Mr. Larry O. Turner, write a letter to Mr. Abrons, advising him of the Town Attorney's opinion on this matter.

The Mayor and Town Manager, Mr. Larry O. Turner, reported that bids received on the improvements to the Town Hall were in excess of the money provided for such work in the bond issue, therefore the plans have been returned to the architect for revision, after which the revised plans are to be submitted to the two lowest bidders for prices on same.

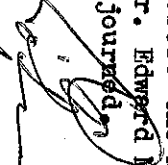
The Commissioner of Law & Finance, Councilman Mr. Phillip H. Cummings, reported that the \$65,000 U. S. Treasury Bills are to mature on June 16th, 1960 and he ask the Council's authorization to re-invest a portion of this money in similar notes if after making a study of the Town's financial condition, it can be found that such money will not be needed to meet the Town's current expenses, which authorization was granted.

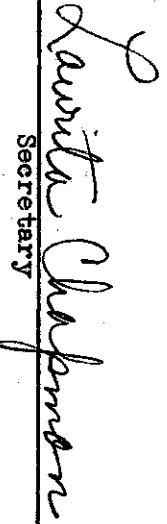
Councilman Mr. Phillip H. Cummings, further reported that certain lots in the Town are very badly in need of fill as water remains in them after a heavy rain which causes a breeding place for mosquitoes and other type pests. A Mr. Fred H. Stutz, Director of the Mosquito Control Division of Dade County, had made a visit to the Town and reported his findings in a letter which the Secretary read stating that some of the lots have sunk since they were filled several years ago and should now be refilled in order to overcome the mosquito breeding problem that is in existence in our Town. Councilman Mr. Phillip H. Cummings ask that the Members of the Council take some action in this regard, whereupon a motion was made by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, Seconded by Councilman Mr. F. Waldo Roth, that necessary steps be taken by the Council to overcome this condition.

Councilman Mr. Phillip H. Cummings, stated that certain residents carelessly leave their garbage and trash containers in the open which causes an unsightly appearance and he ask what steps could be taken to have these containers kept in a closed compartment. The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that the Town has an Ordinance governing this matter and he ask that the Commissioner of Police and Fire, Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart to instruct the Police Department to have this Ordinance enforced. Councilman Mr. Phillip H. Cummings further inquired if the Building Inspector has been instructed to note the houses that are badly in need of repairs so that they will be safe in case of a hurricane or similar storms and he was advised that the Building Inspector has been so instructed.

Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, stated that he wished to commend the persons responsible for the grading work done at the Loggia on the beach, that it really is a wonderful job.

There being no further business to come before the Members of the Council at this Meeting, upon motion by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, seconded by Councilman Mr. F. Waldo Roth, the meeting adjourned.


M a y o r


Secretary



TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

May 17th, 1960


The Mayor & Members of the Town Council
Town Of Golden Beach
Golden Beach, Florida

Gentlemen:

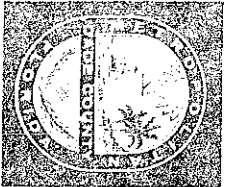
Since it is the desire of the Mayor and Members of the Town Council to have someone assume the duties of the Acting Town Manager and take the position of Assistant to the Acting Town Manager and since I have been asked by the Members of the Council to accept this position, being Chief Of Police of Golden Beach, Florida, in order for me to assume such duties, I hereby ask the Members of the Council to grant me a leave of absence as Chief Of Police until the new Members of the Council take office, which will be during the month of February, 1961, so that my capabilities to fill such a position can be qualified.

If such leave of absence is granted, I will be very happy, at the Council's request to serve in the capacity that they desire.

Yours very truly,


Charles A. Crum
Chief Of Police

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METROPOLITAN DADE COUNTY - FLORIDA

MOSQUITO CONTROL DIVISION
8901 N. W. 58TH STREET

POST OFFICE BOX 3510

MIAMI 1, FLORIDA

TU 8-5641

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

May 3, 1960

Honorable L. O. Turner, Mayor
Town of Golden Beach
Golden Beach, Florida

Dear Sir:

I wish to call your attention to the mosquito breeding problem created through the settling of many of the lots in your town.

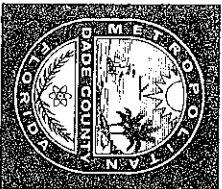
For several years after the bulkheading, filling and installation of drains, we had no problem with breeding but now many of the lots have sunk to the point where we have more and more breeding trouble after each rain.

There is only one solution and that is to again fill the lots to an elevation that will prevent standing water. Therefore, we request that your town proceed as soon as possible in eliminating the breeding conditions existing on the vacant lots by raising the grade of the lots through the addition of fill. It would be prudent to anticipate further settling by filling to an elevation high enough to prevent the reoccurrence of the problem. The experience of your town with the problem should be your guide as to the amount of fill added.

I wish to thank you and your board for their attention to this important matter.

Very truly yours,

Fred H. Stutz
Director



METROPOLITAN DADE COUNTY • FLORIDA
TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

850 N. W. 23RD STREET
MIAMI 37, FLORIDA
FRANKLIN 7-1911

May 26, 1960

Mayor Larry Turner
Town of Golden Beach
Bay Drive
Golden Beach, Florida

Dear Mayor Turner:

Your proposal to have vehicles enter the portion of Golden Beach situated west of A-1-A, by one entrance, has been reviewed by this office after our discussion on Wednesday, May 25th, 1960.

The plan will afford your community the benefit of increased privacy. It quite possibly could afford greater security from potential prowlers and housebreeding. This second benefit is problematical and can best be answered by your police department.

There are certain disadvantages. Some residents would experience minor inconvenience if forced to use one entrance and exit to this section of Golden Beach. Emergency vehicles would encounter some small delay in reaching portions of this area.

Certainly a trial period should be used before a permanent arrangement is established. It is strongly recommended that this trial period be during the time when your traffic volume is heaviest. This would be during the winter months. Any facts and figures obtained during the slack period would be inconclusive - accurate conclusions would be impossible.

We do not believe that your plan would present any particularly difficult traffic problem on A-1-A. As we discussed, we would recommend that the State Road Department construct left turn bays in the median at your designated entrance-exit. We believe that our recommendation would be accepted. This is taking into consideration that your plan was tried, accepted, and was to be permanent.

Should signalization be warranted, the intersection could be

controlled by semi-activated signal equipment. This type of installation is expensive, and would only be considered if warranted, and on a permanent basis. It could not be done for the trial period.

We trust that this information will be of help to you. We are pleased to be of service to you. Feel free to call upon this office at any time.

Sincerely yours,



Donald I. Smith
Division Head
Traffic Operations Division

DLS/pw

cc: Charles Crum, Assistant Town Manager, Golden Beach
File
D.I.S.

5/16/60

(A PROPOSAL BY JOSEPH N. SHURE,
TAKEN FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
MEETING OF THE PLANNING BOARD
COMMISSION ON 3/25/60 AND PRE-
SENTED TO THE TOWN COUNCIL FOR
THE APPROVAL OF THE RESIDENTS
OF GOLDEN BEACH)

Members of the Planning Board Commission:

Mr Larry Turner (Co-Chairman)
Kathleen Hackney "

Mr Jack Maine
Mr Louis Abrons
Mr Joseph Shure
Mr Franklin Pierce

Joseph N. Shure
Secretary of the
Planning Board
5/16/60

On March 25th, 1960, the last meeting of the Planning Board Commission of Golden Beach prior to the summer session, it was proposed by one of the members, namely, Mr Joseph Shure that the residents of Golden Beach be given some protection from the curiosity seekers strolling through our town at all hours of the night.

The P.B.C. accepted this proposal wholeheartedly and it's members continued their conversation along the following lines:

(a) If, with the approval of the residents of Golden Beach, we were to block off six of the following avenues, commencing from the South end of A1A, namely, Terracini, Verona, Rovermo, Palermo, Warena and Massini, greater supervision could be given by our police force to all areas of our town.

(b) It was further suggested we have one and only one entrance, that being across from the "Poggia" on Strand Avenue and A1A. Here a uniformed guard could be placed to give additional protection by checking everyone entering or leaving our town day or night.

(c) A question arose as to the inconvenience our residents, living along North Bay Drive and on the Islands would be subjected too; but after some detailed discussion it was agreed upon that our residents after due and careful consideration to the protection, privacy and prestige it would give the community, the insignificant amount of driving time involved would be overlooked.

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All members agreed that Mr. Shure had brought forth a most constructive plan and we therefore are sincerely suggesting that the Town Council's present it to our residents for their kind and considerate approval.

Kathleen Beckney
Co-Chairman
P.S.C.

Memo to Mr. Larry Turner
from Louis W. Abrons

4/27/60

The following is my suggestion for amendment
to Ordinance 52 under Section 5

The present regulation is:

a-Side Line Restrictions between adjoining
Lots in Zones 1-2-3

No portion of any building shall be closer
than 10'0" Ten Feet from the side line of
any lot or combination of lots (except boats);

The proposed amendment to the above as follows:

No portion of any residence hereinafter
erected in the Town of Golden Beach, Florida
is permitted to occupy that portion of the
building lot within 20 feet of the side lines

Applications for variance in the application
of the amendment on account of Hardship may
be granted ~~only~~ approved by two-thirds of the
members of the Town Council including the Mayor

No action by Council

See minutes

Meeting 4/17

W. Turner
L. W. Abrons
4/27/60

June 1st, 1960

Mr. Louis W. Abrons
117 Overlook Circle
New Rochelle, New York

Dear Lou:

The subject matter of your note to me dated April 27th, 1960, was discussed at great length at our last formal Council Meeting held on May 17th, 1960.

Our Town Attorney pointed out that we probably would have many law suits brought against the Town should we increase the "side line set-back" provisions in our building restrictions from 10 to 20 feet.

He further stated that we could not expect to successfully defend even one of the many legal actions that would be brought against us.

Our Council, acting upon the Attorney's advice, ruled against making any changes in our building restrictions.

Sorry, Lou, to give you this report but wanted you to know that your suggestion was acted upon by our Council.

My kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

Larry O. Turner
Mayor

LOP:c

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HAROLD PETER BARKAS

1425 DUPONT BUILDING

MIAMI 32, FLORIDA

April 25, 1960

Mayor Larry O. Turner
Town of Golden Beach
Golden Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Turner:

Concerning the closing of streets for police purposes, we have a Statute No. 167.09, Florida Statutes 1959, which permits the closing of a street. I quote you in part from this Statute:

The town council, whether created by special act or general law, may lay off streets, avenues, lanes, highways, etc., as may be necessary and expedient for the public interest, and the town council may alter, widen, fill in, grade, pave, change or divert the use of all or any part thereof, or discontinue any street, avenue, highway, etc., provided that no authority to do so shall be applicable to any designated state road without the concurrence of the state road department.

I have clipped this section from one of my books, and I am attaching it to this letter.

Sincerely yours,

Francis M. Miller
Francis M. Miller

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Handwritten signatures and notes:
11-19
Francis M. Miller
Harold Peter Barkas

§167.09 GENERAL POWERS OF MUNICIPAL

167.09 Parks, streets, etc.—The city or town council or commission, whether created by special act or general law, may lay off such parks, public squares, streets, avenues, lanes, highways, canals, etc., as may seem necessary and expedient for the public health or interest, and open, fill in, grade, pave, dig, dredge, widen, deepen, and otherwise enlarge, change and improve the same; and the said city or town council

Handwritten signatures:
Francis M. Miller
Bo. Atty.

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH
DADE COUNTY
FLORIDA

May 24th, 1960

The Residents
Golden Beach, Florida

Dear Resident:

The final Meeting of the 1959-60 Session of your Town Council was held on May 17th, 1960 and the following actions were taken:

1. Final approval of the 1960-61 Budget.
2. Approval of the valuations that your Town Assessor has placed on all properties within the limits of the Town Of Golden Beach. These evaluations are identical to the assessed valuations that Dade County had on its Tax Roll for such properties as of April, 1960.
3. Final approval of the 1959-60 Budget adjusted which created a large surplus which was transferred to the General Fund to be used as additional income in the 1960-61 Budget.
4. Based on the present assessed values and due to the large surplus referred to above, your Council unanimously approved the new millage at 8.08, a reduction of 49% from the previous millage of 15.73.
5. Fees for Beach Cleaning was reduced from \$32.50 to approximately \$15.00 per fifty foot lot per year. (approximately 47%)
6. Fees for lot cleaning was reduced from \$32.00 to approximately \$20.00 per fifty foot lot per year. (approximately 37%).
7. Charges for garbage collection and the removal of debris remains at \$35.00 per year per dwelling.
8. The appointment of the Board of Equalization was approved and will be in Session at the Town Hall on July 5th, 6th and 7th, 1960, at which time this Board will receive and act on any complaints or objections in regard to property valuations.
9. The Council approved your Mayor's temporary appointment of Mr. Charles Crum as acting Assistant Town Manager.


The Residents
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10. The Council approved your Mayor's appointment of Lieut James Bryant to temporary head of our Police Department.
11. The Council approved your Mayor's appointment of life guards on our public beach. A Life Guard will be in attendance from 9:30 A.M. until 5:30 P.M. all seven days of the week.
12. The Planning Commission made a recommendation to close all access streets from Ocean Boulevard with the exception of the Strand. The Council approved a temporary trial period of 60 days to determine the will of the people.
13. The Council decided to invoke Ordinance No. 14, dated March 19th, 1935, to eliminate the use of any "For Sale" or "For Rent" or other signs in Golden Beach and all permits for the present signs on display to expire on November 1st, 1960.

Although the formal Meeting of the Council has been adjourned to November, 1960, in accordance with our Town Charter; your Mayor and a quorum of the Council will be available all Summer to act on any emergency that may occur.

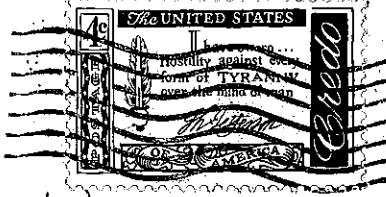
Yours very truly,

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH



N. B. Orntz
President, Town Council

NBO:c



Mr H. B. Ormity (President)
Town Council
Golden Beach 54,
Fla.

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May 26, 1960

Mr H. B. Ormity (President)
Town Council
Golden Beach, 54, Fla.

Dear Mr Ormity:

Relative to your letter of report of the meeting of May 17, 1960, I wish to be put on record to say, that I as one freeholder am opposed to the proposal made by Planning Commission to close all access streets from Ocean Blvd with the exception of the Strand.

The fallacy of such a move could only not be a hardship on people and a detriment to the extreme ends but

~~a proposal could be more of a hazard~~
rather than be beneficial.
Golden Beach has been in the past
a Township to be proud of + to compare
ourselves to Biscayne Point or other
communities we are not elevating the
evaluation of our town.

Respectfully yours
Monjorie Mayer