

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

The regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach, Florida, was held on Tuesday, November 19, 1946 at 3 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. M. L. Pulcher
Councilmen	- Mr. Ward A. Scranton
	Mr. James F. Noble

Also present were:

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

Several residents of the Town attended the meeting as visitors.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. M. L. 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 May 14, 1946.

The minutes were read, and, upon motion by Councilman Ward A. Scranton, seconded by Councilman James F. Noble, and unanimously passed, were approved as read.

The Town's Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, thereupon presented Ordinance No. 32, which had been passed upon first and second reading at meeting held May 14, 1946, for its third reading.

After the third reading of Ordinance No. 32, entitled "An Ordinance of the Town of Golden Beach Regulating the Height of Boat Houses in the Town of Golden Beach", the Council's vote was polled by the Deputy Town Clerk and the votes were recorded as follows:

President Martin L. Pulcher	- Aye
Councilman Ward A. Scranton	- Aye
Councilman James F. Noble	- Aye

Ordinance No. 32 was thereupon declared passed and adopted this 19th day of November 1946.

The Deputy Town Clerk thereupon presented his Cash Report covering the period from May 1, 1946 thru October 31, 1946. Upon motion by Councilman Ward A. Scranton, seconded by Councilman James F. Noble and unanimously passed, the Cash Report was approved and ordered

attached to these minutes and made a part hereof.

The Deputy Town Clerk thereupon read a letter received from Mr. Bayard C. Lukens, the Town's Supervising Architect, regarding the fees which he and Mayor James T. Hennegan felt should be paid to the Building Inspector, Mr. Clayton Lauer, said fees to be made retroactive to all jobs inspected by Mr. Lauer subsequent to July 19, 1946, the date of Mr. Luken's letter.

After careful discussion, it was moved by Councilman James F. Noble and seconded by Councilman Ward A. Scranton that the fees recommended by the Town's Architect and the Mayor to be paid to the Building Inspector be approved retroactive to July 19, 1946, as follows:

\$40.00 for a one story residence
50.00 for a two story residence

said fees to be paid in two payments-

On a one story building

One-half of the fee when the top belt course is poured, the final payment when the house is completed;

On a two story building

One-half when the second story belt course is poured, and the final payment when the building is completed;

This motion, upon being put to a vote, was unanimously carried.

The Chairman of the Board thereupon reported at length on the work that had been done during the summer on the parkways, reporting that top soil had been applied and additional top soil would be applied. All this work was done upon the recommendation and under the supervision of the Mayor, Mr. James T. Hennegan. The Chairman then discussed the County taxation of property in Golden Beach and the operations of Dade County in general with reference to such tax assessments and the lack of benefits from taxes paid to the County by the property owners of Golden Beach and it was the consensus of opinion of the Council that a committee of citizens of the Town of Golden Beach might call upon the Dade County Tax Assessor and present to him the Town's side of this question. That this might be done in cooperation with other municipalities within Dade County which may be in the same position.

The question of school bus was then again discussed and the Mayor offered that he would again get in touch with Superintendent Wilson to see whether such service could not be made available to the Town of Golden Beach.

The Mayor further reported that no light globes were available for replacement and it would be necessary for the Town to spend some money on Bay Road starting from the bridge 150 feet each way. He advised the Council that bids had been received and that the lowest bid was \$2470.00 but did not contain any detail and that further bids were to be called for.

Upon motion of Councilman Ward A. Scranton, seconded by Councilman James F. Noble, the Chairman of the meeting and the Mayor were authorized to go ahead with negotiations for this work and to have it done to the

best advantage of the Town of Golden Beach.

The Chairman thereupon reported at some length on the water situation in Golden Beach and advised the Council that he had reason to believe that some other interest might become active in furnishing water to the Town of Golden Beach and the adjacent area.

The Mayor thereupon reported to the Council that some houses are being built in the Town of Golden Beach on 50-foot lots which appear to comply with the letter of the Town's Building Ordinances and Code, but in his opinion they are set ahead of other houses in the street and in this respect and otherwise are not what is desired for residences in the Town of Golden Beach. The Mayor suggested that an ordinance be drawn embodying building restrictions on a cubic foot content basis instead of a dollar and cents basis, and the Town's Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, was thereupon instructed to prepare such an ordinance for consideration at the next meeting.

The question of unsightly and overgrown hedges and other shrubbery on vacant lots was then discussed at length by Chairman of the Council and all the Councilmen present took part in the discussion. Upon very careful consideration of this question, the Town's Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, was instructed to draw up an ordinance covering this matter and did so draw up an ordinance entitled, AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, REQUIRING THE REMOVAL OF WEEDS, THE TRIMMING OF HEDGES AND PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE.

This ordinance, after being read to the Council by the Town's Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, was unanimously passed upon first and second reading designated Ordinance No. 33.

Councilman Ward A. Scranton thereupon reported on the Town's Police situation and Chief of Police Jones, who was present at the meeting to make a report to the council.

Chief Jones reported that it seemed to him desirable to have police protection to the Town at all hours, day and night, and that this would necessitate a change in the hours of the policemen and possibly the employment of an additional policeman. He offered that he work only three days a week and also take care of the payroll and other matters connected therewith for half of his present pay and that an additional policeman be employed so that hours could be arranged to give the Town a policeman on duty every hour in the day and week.

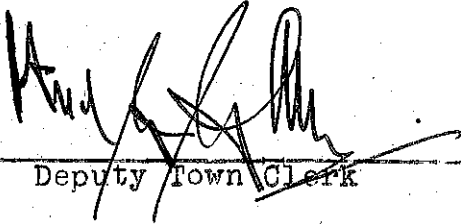
Chief Jones advised the Council that the two policemen on duty have asked him to request of the Council an increase in pay.

These questions were discussed to some extent but no action was taken at this meeting, the problem being referred for further consideration to be brought up again at the next meeting.

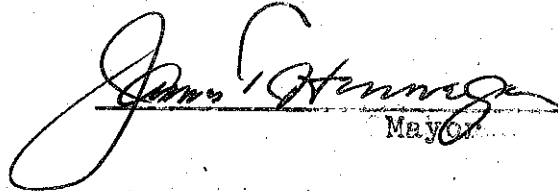
Police Chief Jones then reported on the condition of the Town's garbage truck. He stated that it needs a complete new body, timbers, metal fasteners and all, and that it should be converted into a dump truck, which, according to his best information, would cost about \$600.00.

The Chairman of the Council thereupon expressed the opinion that if the truck was converted into a dump truck, a hoist should also be added, and offered that he would look into the cost of such conversion and would report at the next meeting.

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 - MAY 1, 1946 TO OCTOBER 31, 1946

Balance -
In The First National Bank May 1, 1946 \$24,130.00

Receipts - May 1, 1946 to
October 31, 1946

1945 Taxes Collected		\$ 840.33		
Less: Refund	\$15.58			
Less: Discount	<u>.31</u>	15.27	\$	825.06
Prepaid 1946 Taxes		\$6,962.59		
Less: Discounts		<u>278.29</u>		6,684.30
Pay-as-you-go Tax Withheld				329.00
Court Fines				783.50
Other:				
Tax Sales Certificates Redeemed:				
For 1940 Taxes		\$ 45.55		
1943		117.58		
1944		43.91		
1945		<u>101.29</u>		
		\$ 308.33		
Interest Thereon	\$65.13			
Penalties (on 1945 Taxes)	<u>17.13</u>	82.26		390.59
Building Permits				500.00
Cleanup Bond Deposit		\$ 250.00		
Less: Refund		<u>50.00</u>		200.00
Sales of Coconuts				197.13
Road and Bridge Tax Refund				184.31
Maintenance Work on Nuckols House				7.45
Mower Rental				<u>30.00</u>
		\$10,131.34		
Less: Disbursements		<u>14,141.75</u>		<u>4,010.41</u>

Balance to be accounted for \$20,119.59

Cash accounted for:

In The First National Bank of Miami -			
General Operating Fund		\$14,427.25	
Permanent Improvements Fund		<u>5,692.34</u>	

Total Cash Accounted for \$20,119.59