

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

November 21st, 1961

The regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida was held on Tuesday, November 21st, 1961 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  
Council President  
Councilmen

-Mr. Nicholas Berkos  
-Mr. Joseph R. Missett  
-Mr. A. Brill  
-Mr. Rough E. Hough  
-Mr. Charles C. Koch  
-Mr. Edward M. Stuart  
  
-Mr. Francis M. Miller

Also present: Town Attorney

The visitors attending this meeting are as follows:-  
Mr. M.E. Kuryla, Mr. Anthony J. Gocking, Mr. Louis Vernarelli, Mrs. Ada Holstein, Mr. Elmer Hamburg, Mr. Joseph N. Shure, Mr. Louis Abrons, Mr. Carl E. Douglass, Mr. Bob Bernson, Mr. Roger Creel, Mr. Samuel Buchman, Mr. Moe Schneider, Mr. Nelson Salez, Mr. R. H. Higginson, Mr. James E. Hennegan, Mr. Samuel J. Stone, Colonel S. W. Winfree, Mr. A. Mindes, Mr. Harry C. Bates.

The meeting was called to order by the Council President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett, who acted as Chairman of this meeting and Mrs. Laurita Chapman acted as Secretary.

The President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett, stated that all the Members of the Council have received copies of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Town Council held on May 16th, 1961 and he asked if there were any objections or corrections to these Minutes and if the Council wished these Minutes read. No corrections or objections being offered, upon motion by Councilman Mr. Ralph E. Hough, seconded by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart and unanimously carried, it was agreed that the reading of these Minutes be waived and accepted as is.

The President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett, further stated that a cash report had also been mailed to all the Members of the Council and he would like to have the Council's opinion of same. No comments being offered, upon motion by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, seconded by Councilman Mr. Ralph E. Hough, it was agreed unanimously that this cash report be accepted as received. The Council President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett, ordered this cash report approved, attached to these Minutes and made a part hereof. The Council President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett, further reported that a copy of the budget for the fiscal year October 1st, 1960 thru September 30th, 1961 showing the receipts and expenditures for the entire year had been sent to all the Members of the Council; also each Member had received a copy of the budget for the year October 1st, 1961 thru September 30th, 1962

listing expenditures and receipts in this current budget for the period October 1st, 1961 thru November 17th, 1961 and he called upon the Members of the Council to voice their comments on these budgets. The Mayor, Mr. Nicholas Berkos, stated that when the present Council took office in the middle of February, 1961, the job was not an easy one, to meet the needs of the Town with the funds that were on hand; also receipts that were anticipated from Court Fines did not mature, but due to very good management on the part of our Town Manager, Mr. Charles Crum, the budget at the close of our fiscal year, September 30th, 1961 indicated that there would be a surplus. This was due to our Town Manager being able to buy a new truck for collecting debris that would not have to be paid for until our new budget went into effect and the operation of this new truck out the cost of labor down One man. We were also able to secure some services from Metro; one being that of mosquito spraying, thus saving the Town the cost of this work. The Town Manager, Mr. Charles Crum, should certainly be commended for his fine work in handling the Town's affairs during the past summer. The Mayor, Mr. Nicholas Berkos, further reported that during his absence from the Town this Summer, the Council President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett, assumed his duties as Mayor, and he wished to thank Mr. Missett for his very fine work in the performance of such duties.

The Council President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett, stated that it is with deep regret that he is forced to report the passing on of our former Mayor Mr. Burt Hengeveld. Mr. Hengeveld served ardously on the Council for quite a few years and to the utmost fulfilled all of his obligations and in his passing the Town has lost a most faithful and fine Resident and it was agreed unanimously that Mrs. Burt Hengeveld be apprised of the Council's sentiments on the loss of her loved One.

The matter of a Civilian Defense Program was brought up for discussion by the Council President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett and the Mayor, Mr. Nicholas Berkos, stated that the Secretary had a letter available from him on this matter. This letter was read by the Secretary requesting that the Members of the Council consider plans for an effective Civilian Defense Program due to a series of International crises, that the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, had been requested to prepare a Resolution in this regard to be presented at this meeting. Also some consideration should be given to having a study made if the Town would like to have a sewer system installed since such a system is being proposed to operate from the southern line of the Town to Bal Harbour and the Town has the privilege to join this system if it so desires. A Resolution on this matter has also been prepared by our Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller.

The Council President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett, stated that the matter of Civilian Defense should first be discussed and called upon the Town Attorney Mr. Francis M. Miller, who reported that a Resolution had been prepared which can be changed later on if the need arises as new findings on the best ways to meet such crises for the best protection of all are continually being developed. The Resolution on hand is to create a Civil Defense Commission and the duties that they are to fulfill and in this category, a change can be made.

The Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, read the following Resolution

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH  
CREATING A CIVIL DEFENSE COMMISSION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA:

Section 1 Because of the possibility of the occurrence of disasters or emergencies of unprecedented size and destructiveness resulting from enemy attack or other hostile action or from natural causes, and in order to insure that preparations within the Town Of Golden Beach will be adequate to deal with such disasters or emergencies, and to provide for the protection of the public peace, health and safety, and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the Town of Golden Beach, a Civil Defense Commission of five persons be and the same is hereby created.

Section 2 The members of said commission shall be appointed by the Mayor by and with the consent of the Town Council, and one of said members shall be an elected official of the Town Of Golden Beach.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Civil Defense Commission to study the feasibility of providing fallout shelters and other safety devices found expedient or necessary to protect the inhabitants of the Town of Golden Beach, and said commission shall likewise cooperate with the Metropolitan-Dade County Civil Defense Committee. Said commission shall report its findings from time to time to the Town Council and make recommendations to the Town Council concerning the protection and defense of the inhabitants of the Town of Golden Beach.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of November, 1961

(Signed) Joseph R. Missett  
President, Town Council

Approved:

(Signed) Nicholas Berkos  
Mayor

A general discussion followed the reading of this Resolution and all agreed that a study should be made to develop a plan so that the Residents of the Town will have adequate protection in case that such disasters arise. The Mayor, Mr. Nicholas Berkos, stated that the Members of this Commission should contact the United States Government to see what facilities they have available at no cost to the Town as it is a known fact that certain Towns do receive such facilities at no cost for such purpose. This suggestion met with the full approval of the Members of the Council and it also was agreed that the Mayor, Mr. Nicholas Berkos, at the opportune time appoint such committee, which he consented to do. Thereupon a motion was made by Councilman Mr. Ralph E. Hough which was seconded by Councilman Mr. Charles C. Koch and unanimously carried that the Resolution as read by the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, be adopted, which was so ordered by the Council President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett.

The Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, was called upon to present the Resolution concerning the study of having a sewer system installed within the limits of the Town. This Resolution was read by the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, as follows:

"A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH ESTABLISHING A COMMISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING A SURVEY CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF A SEWAGE AND STORM WATER DISPOSAL SYSTEM.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA:

Section 1 There is hereby established a board of five persons whose duties shall be to examine into the feasibility of constructing and maintaining an adequate sewage and storm water disposal system within the limits of the Town of Golden Beach.

Section 2 The members of such said commission shall be appointed by the Mayor and they shall receive no salary for their services. One of said members shall be a member of the Town Council.

Section 3 The said commission shall file its report with the Town Council within 90 days from its appointment and it shall be the duty of the Town Council to then determine whether or not it would be feasible to construct or operate a sewage system within the Town Of Golden Beach or to cooperate with other persons or corporations who may be desirous of maintaining a sewage disposal system in the general area of Golden Beach.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st day of November, 1961.

(Signed) Joseph R. Missett  
President, Town Council

APPROVED:

(Signed) Nicholas Berkos  
Mayor

Upon the reading of this Resolution, the Mayor, Mr. Nicholas Berkos, explained that the Committee mentioned in this Resolution will be an investigating Committee only whose duties will be to ascertain what the cost of such a system will be, what the average home owner will have to pay to have their homes connected to such system and the use of same. This information should be secured at no cost to the Town whatsoever and after such figures are obtained, if it is found not feasible for the Town to have such a system installed, information will be on hand for future use in the event that the Town at a later date, decides to have such a sewer system installed. Thereupon a motion was made by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, seconded by Councilman Mr. A. Brill and unanimously carried that the Resolution as read by the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, be adopted, whereupon the Council President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett declared this Resolution adopted.

The Secretary was called upon to read a letter from the Mayor, Mr. Nicholas Berkos, calling the attention of the Council to the fact that we have life guards at our beach but no equipment for life saving aid and he asked the Council's consideration on the purchase of a small rescussiator to be used by the life-guards and kept at our Beach at all times. Although no provision for such purchase had been made in our current budget, since such a device could save a life, he suggested that several hundred dollars be invested in such equipment. This suggestion met with the full approval of the Members of the Council and it was agreed that such a purchase be made.

The Commissioner of Public Streets and Lighting, Councilman Mr. A. Brill, reported that the new truck recently purchased is left outdoors when not in use due to the fact that space is not available in the garage and he asked if such arrangements could not be made so that this truck could be kept under cover. The Town Manager, Mr. Charles Crum advised Councilman Mr. A. Brill that such arrangements have been made that this truck is kept indoors and that although this necessitated the old truck being kept outside, very shortly this truck will also be able to be stored in the garage. Councilman Mr. A. Brill suggested that Councilman Mr. R. E. Hough be appointed to take care of all equipment, which suggestion met with the full approval of the Members of the Council.

The Mayor, Mr. Nicholas Berkos, reported that he had one more communication which he would like the Secretary to read. This communication, read by the Secretary, told in detail the wonderful efforts performed by our former Mayor, Mr. Robert H. George, in his battle to eliminate the oil pollution of our beaches and his untiring work in this behalf and because of this, the Town Of Golden Beach owes Mr. Robert H. George a thanks of gratitude. The Council President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett, stated that for many years Mr. George has worked ardously to abate this problem and the Mayor, Mr. Nicholas Berkos should apprise Mr. George of the Town's gratitude for his continued efforts on their behalf.

The Commissioner of Police & Fire, Councilman Mr. Charles C. Koch, reported that the Police Department is working very efficiently, that two new cars have been ordered for this department which should arrive shortly. Councilman Mr. Ralph E. Hough commended the Members of the Police Department on their nice appearance since they secured new uniforms.

The Commissioner of Parks & Public Buildings, Councilman Mr. Ralph E. Hough, reported that hard work is being done to make the necessary improvements to the parks and public buildings but it is very disappointing to have new equipment damaged due to carelessness on the part of certain persons. He cited on the new equipment placed this summer at the playground which is severely damaged, likewise the new rope placed at the Loggia. However continued efforts will be made to keep the Town in a nice appearance and to have the necessary facilities available for the use of the Residents. The old Police Station is being improved, also planting is being done at the Loggia.

The Commissioner of Health & Sanitation, Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, reported that the sanitary condition of the Town is very good, however there is a problem in keeping the beach clean due to unfavorable tides, but efforts will be continued to do this work in the best way possible.

The Mayor, Mr. Nicholas Berkos, asked the Council's permission to have the President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett and himself, invest some of the tax money that the Town has on hand in income securities at the best interest rate. This permission was granted and the Mayor, Mr. Nicholas Berkos and the Council President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett were hereby authorized to make such investment.

The Town Manager, Mr. Charles A. Crum, asked the Council's approval on the bid that was accepted for gasoline, explaining that approximately seven bids were received from different oil companies and the lowest bid was from Sinclair Refining Company. The Council approved the acceptance of this bid.

The Secretary was requested to read a Resolution No. 3-1961 passed by the Village Council of the Village Of El Portal, Florida stating that the Metropolitan Court Ordinance be amended so as to limit its jurisdiction to the unincorporated areas only, thereby restoring traffic court jurisdiction to the respective municipalities. The Mayor, Mr. Nicholas Berkos, explained that since Metro took over all traffic courts in Dade County, the Town has lost \$5,000 to \$4,000 in revenue, because Metro demands one-third of all fines collected by the Town for court costs. Heretofore, it cost the Town nothing for the operation of its Court as we have an adequate court room and the presiding Judge served at no fee, therefore he was wholeheartedly in favor of this Resolution. The Members of the Council agreed likewise and it was decided that this Resolution be endorsed.

The Town Manager, Mr. Charles A. Crum, presented a letter from Mr. S. J. Stone, requesting the Council's permission to have a certain type house erected in the Town, a picture of this house was also enclosed. The Members of the Council reviewed this picture and it was their opinion that the house as shown on the picture could be allowed to be erected in our Town.

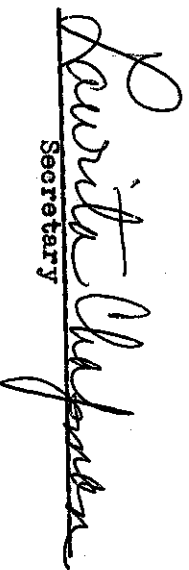
A Resident, Mr. Joseph N. Shure, asked the Council's permission to erect a cabana and an additional room along side his swimming pool as shown on the plans which he presented to the Members of the Council. After reviewing these drawings, the Members of the Council granted Mr. Shure's request.

The Town Manager, Mr. Charles A. Crum, reported that the State Road Department is making a thorough check of all speed limits on ALA with the hope that it will be equalized. The Mayor, Mr. Nicholas Berkos reported that continued efforts have been made ever since he took office to have the speed limit reduced on Ocean Boulevard and/or to have a light installed at the Strand. Bal Harbour has a 30 mile speed limit and several traffic lights, therefore Golden Beach should have the same. Since a change in speed limits has to come from the State Road Department in Tallahassee, it would be wise to make an all out effort to have the speed limit in Golden Beach reduced by writing to Tallahassee, enclosing photos of Golden Beach and Bal Harbour and listing the number of accidents that have occurred on our Boulevard due to our 40 mile speed limit. Mr. Carl Douglass, Resident, cited on the hazards faced by Residents on the Ocean when they enter or exit from their driveways as it is a very serious problem for which all the Council agreed.

A property Owner and former Resident, Mr. S. J. Stone ask the Council if some arrangements could not be made to allow "For Sale" Signs to be placed on vacant properties as it is very difficult for him to sell his property. The Council President, Mr. Joseph R. Missett, explained to Mr. Stone, how this privilege was abused when it was allowed and to his knowledge, he does not know of an adequate way to allow such display of signs yet keep it under control .

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. Ralph E. Hough, the meeting adjourned.

  
MAYOR

  
Secretary

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

CASH REPORT OF DEPUTY TOWN CLERK - FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1961

Cash Balance, November 1st, 1961 ----- \$ 19,055.02  
 In The Bank Of Hollywood -----

Budget Receipts  
 1961 Taxes Collected:--

Real Estate \$52,291.60  
 Lot Cleaning 2,598.50  
 Garbage Collection 3,885.00  
 Beach Cleaning 1,968.75  
 Total ----- \$60,743.85

Less Discount allowed ----- \$58,320.54  
 Net Amount Collected ----- 2,423.31  
 Rent For Apartment 100.00  
 Court Fines 800.00

Miscellaneous Receipts:--  
 Building Permits \$ 35.00  
 Yard Maintenance Permits 3.00  
 Franchise: Peoples Gas Co. 7.09  
 ----- 45.09

Total Budget Receipts ----- \$ 59,265.63  
 ----- \$ 78,320.65

Funds Collected From Employees For The Following:--

Group Insurance \$342.15  
 Income Taxes 296.80  
 Social Security 89.00

Total Funds Collected ----- \$ 727.95

TOTAL CASH ----- \$ 79,048.60

Cash Disbursements

Budget Disbursements \$ 10,439.02  
 Non-Budget Disbursements None  
 Total Disbursements -----

\$ 10,439.02

Cash Balance, November 30th, 1961 ----- \$ 68,609.58  
 In The Bank Of Hollywood -----

Taxes 1961 Tax Roll \$104,058.40  
 Taxes Collected thru November 30th, 1961 77,940.16  
 Unpaid Taxes at November 30th, 1961 \$ 26,118.24

Percent To Total  
 100.00%  
 74.80%  
 25.20%



TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA  
ANALYSIS OF CASH DISBURSEMENTS - GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1961

<u>Budget Disbursements</u>		
Maintenance - Labor General, Wages		\$ 1,484.95
Maintenance - Other Expense		16.50
<u>Police Department</u>		
Salaries	2,402.00	
Equipment - Purchases, Uniforms	685.25	
Equipment - Maintenance	30.58	
Radio Services	56.12	
<u>Equipment - Other</u>		
Purchases - Playground Equipment	119.45	
Repairs	125.92	
<u>Repairs &amp; Maintenance</u>		
Beach	455.00	
Electric Lines	313.07	
Parks & Parkways	864.42	
Public Buildings	33.61	
Streets	640.00	
Garbage Collection	36.00	
Gasoline & Oil	338.85	
Insurance	532.13	
Office Supplies	56.42	
Electricity & Gas	349.81	
Mosquito Control	17.50	
Telephone Service	60.03	
Town Manager's Salary	583.00	
Town Clerk's Office	350.00	
Water	93.90	
Miscellaneous Expense:-		
Washroom Supplies	\$13.10	
Governor's Luncheon	15.00	
Flowers - Mr. Hengeveld	53.87	
Repairs to Street Lights		
caused by accident,		
refunded by Insurance Co.	79.36	
Debt Service - Interest	161.33	
	<u>633.20</u>	
TOTAL BUDGET DISBURSEMENTS		\$10,439.02
Non Budget Disbursements		None
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		<u>\$10,439.02</u>

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

CASH ANALYSIS OF OTHER FUNDS FOR THE MONTH  
OF NOVEMBER, 1961

Cash Balance, November 1st, 1961 -	Municipal Improvement Lien Certificate of Indebtedness Fund	
In The Peoples National Bank		\$ 1,657.39
Cash Receipts		None
Total Cash		<u>\$ 1,657.39</u>
Cash Disbursements		
Interest Paid on Securities		110.00
Cash Balance, November 30th, 1961		<u><u>\$1,517.39</u></u>

Cash Balance, November 1st, 1961 -	Municipal Improvement Lien Sea Wall Bond Fund	
In The Peoples National Bank		\$1,727.16
Cash Receipts		None
Total Cash		<u>\$1,727.16</u>
Cash Disbursements		
Interest Paid On Securities		160.00
Cash Balance, November 30th, 1961		<u><u>\$1,567.16</u></u>

ANALYSIS OF INDEBTEDNESS

Municipal Improvement Certificates Of Indebtedness	Outstanding As Of November, 30th, 1961	\$ 25,000.00
Municipal Improvement Sea Wall Bonds	Outstanding as Of November 30th, 1961	\$ 6,660.00
Municipal Improvement Bonds	Outstanding as of November 30th, 1961	\$ 84,000.00

TOTAL INDEBTEDNESS AS OF NOVEMBER 30th, 1961 \$115,660.00

Municipal Improvement Lien Certificates Of Indebtedness	Outstanding as of November 30th, 1961	\$ 7,000.00
Municipal Improvement Lien Sea Wall Bonds	Outstanding as of November 30th, 1961	\$ 8,000.00

TOTAL LIEN SECURITIES OUTSTANDING AS OF NOVEMBER 30th, 1961 \$ 15,000.00

Lien Bills Collectible as of November 30th, 1961 \$ 12,961.55

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17 November 1961

Town of Golden Beach  
City Hall  
Florida

Gentlemen

Attention Mrs. Chapman

I will greatly appreciate your  
imparting the following information to the Golden Beach  
Commissioners at their next meeting.

At present we are negotiating  
with a Mr. A. Seldner who is interested in purchasing Lots 26  
and 27, Block 5, Golden Beach. Since we are anxious to dispose  
of these lots, we have quoted him an inducing price of \$6,000.  
for both.

According to the information he  
imparted to Mr. Galloway of Bronson and Associates, Realtors,  
he is willing to buy these lots provided he can enlist the coop-  
eration of the Town Commissions by granting him a variance that  
a limited footage of the serenedan area can be calculated in  
the living area square footage as required by the Building Code.

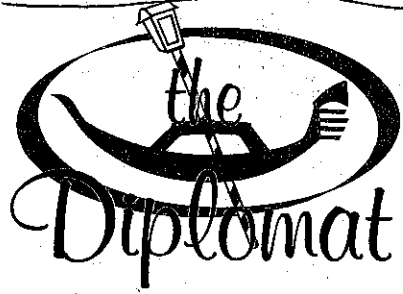
Looking forward to your cooperas  
tion, I am

Sincerely yours

  
S. J. Stone

SJS:CMS

Arnold Seldner - Wa 2-5049



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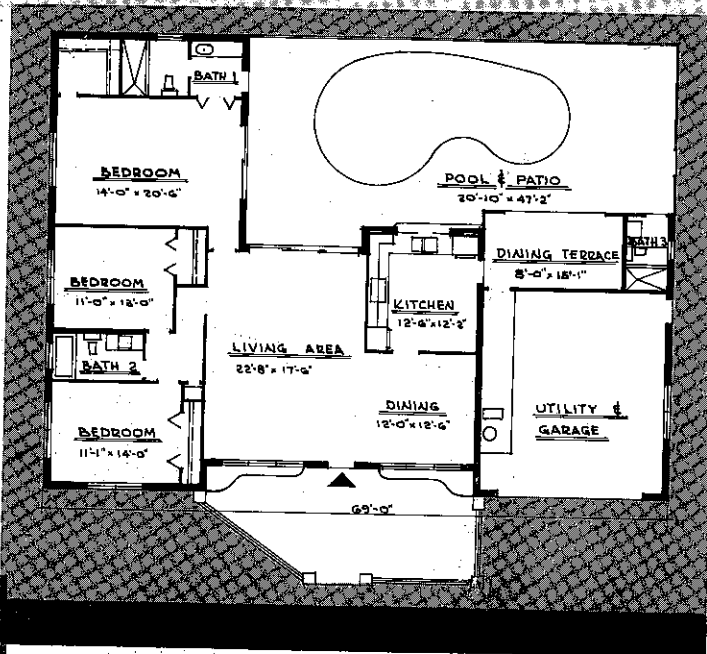


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Office of the Mayor

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH  
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

November 20th, 1961

The Members of the Town Council  
Golden Beach, Florida

Gentlemen:

It is with deep regret that I have to report the death of our former fine Mayor, Mr. Burt Hengeveld.

His years of dedicated service to the Town Of Golden Beach have made this Community a wonderful area for us to enjoy our homes. His constant devotion to our problems greatly aided us in the modernization of our community and the development of a tranquility that is possessed by very few Communities.

In behalf of all our Residents of Golden Beach, Florida, may we please stop a moment in the consideration of the Town's affairs and offer a short prayer in memory of one of our very fine Citizens.

Yours very truly,

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Nicholas Berkos  
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Office of the Mayor

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH  
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

November 20th, 1961

The Members Of The Town Council  
Golden Beach, Florida

Gentlemen:

I am pleased to report that our former Mayor, Mr. Robert H. George, has lost no interest whatsoever in serving the Town Of Golden Beach with his continued efforts to battle oil pollution and it was through his untiring efforts that a meeting was held on the 26th of October, 1961 which involved the Military Engineers, the Coast Guard Division of the United States Government, together with representatives of all the major oil corporations.

I was invited to attend and during the meeting it was disclosed that due to Mr. George's constant attack on the oil pollution program, Congress of the United States enacted a law in August, 1961 called "The Oil Pollution Act", which provides that no ship could discharge persistent oils within fifty miles from land and requires that oil record books be maintained indicating the longitude and latitude where any discharge of oil is made.

This law, of course, applies to American ships only and during the meeting, Mr. George pointed out that it appears that vessels using the facilities at Port Everglades may be responsible for the recent occurrence of oil pollution in the Golden Beach area, and upon his suggestion, it was agreed that the Port Authority at Port Everglades instruct all ships of all nations using this Port not to discharge their oils in any manner different than the requirements of our law.

Before the meeting terminated, Mr. B. H. Lord, Jr., Director of the American Petroleum Institute, Washington, D. C. stated that Mr. Robert H. George is certainly due a word of praise for his unrelentless battle to eliminate the oil pollution of our beaches and I believe that the people of Golden Beach owe Mr. Robert H. George a thanks of gratitude for his wonderful efforts on their behalf.

Yours very truly,

Nicholas Berkos

MB:c

MARY O R



Office of the Mayor

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH  
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

November 20th, 1961

The Members Of The Town Council  
Golden Beach, Florida

Gentlemen:

In spite of the fact that I am very much opposed to the spending of money that is not a budgeted item, I feel nevertheless, that I must call to your attention the fact that we now enjoy beach guards at our Beach but have no equipment for life saving aid in the event that one of our Residents or their guests have to be removed from the surf.

May I say that we invest several hundred dollars to purchase a small rescerssitor that will be kept on the beach at all times for use by the lifeguards in the event of such a mishap. I say a small one as I feel it will be adequate until our Police Car arrives at the scene as the Police Car is equipped at all times with a large rescerssitor and the small one can be used until the Police Car arrives at the Beach.

Yours very truly,

Nicholas Berkos  
M a y o r

NB:c



# TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

## DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Office of the Mayor

November 20th, 1961

The Members Of The Town Council  
Golden Beach, Florida

Gentlemen:

During our long vacation period when our Council was adjourned, several new problems have manifested themselves which warrant studied consideration.

1. A series of international crises has developed which has made it pertinent that we consider plans for an effective Civilian Defense Program. The fact that we are in a very vulnerable spot and our area low, makes our problems even more important. In view of these crises, I sent a letter to our Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, to prepare a Resolution creating a committee to be appointed by me in which such Committee shall make a thorough study of Civilian Defense Problems. This Committee should check with the Federal Authorities to see what facilities they may have available for our Community in event of attack. They should make a study of fall-out shelters both from a Community angle and an Individual angle; they should study the possibility of establishing an alert alarm system to notify our Citizens in case of attack, possible storing of medical equipment, blankets and other necessary paraphernalia in event of crises, a thousand and one other details that the National Civilian Defense develops from day to day. I believe our Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller has such a Resolution available which I would be pleased to have presented for your consideration.

2. There is a strong movement instigated by several Business men in the area just south of Golden Beach to develop a tax levying authority in order to have a sewer system installed to operate from the southern line of Golden Beach to Bal Harbour. Before the granting of such authority, they had to agree to build a sewer plant large enough to take care of the area just north of their starting line in the event that at a later date this area may desire to dump into their sewer, the only area north is Golden Beach. May I suggest that a committee be appointed to





TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH  
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Office of the Mayor

November 20th, 1961

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to study whether Golden Beach will in the future develop any interest in converting from our present Septic Tank system to a sewer drainage program. We of course have no desire to be included in the proposed project amount the Business people to our South because it would be much cheaper for us to hook into a sewer after it has gone through the process of installing drainage pipes and building an adequate treatment plant. This Committee, at no cost to the Town, get figures on what such a conversion would cost the average home owner and inquire of our people what their attitude is.

Please bear in mind that this is not an immediate project and may not develop for ten years but I believe this Committee could serve a most useful purpose to our Town and its Residents who have expressed their wishes for the Council's consideration on this matter.

Mr. Francis M. Miller has prepared a Resolution which covers this project.

Yours very truly,

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Nicholas Berkos  
Mayor

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