

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

November 26th, 1960

A Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Town Of Golden Beach was held on Saturday, November 26th, 1960, at 9:30 o'clock in the morning at the Town Hall, with the following Officials present:-

Mayor	-Mr. Larry O. Turner
Council President	-Mr. N. B. Ornitz
Councilmen:	-Mr. Philip H. Cummings
	-Mr. Joseph R. Missett
	-Mr. F. Waldo Roth
	-Mr. Edward M. Stuart
Town Manager	-Mr. Charles A. Crum

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 Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that the purpose of this Special Meeting was to discuss the matter of private owners making use of Town property and maintaining same as a lawn and other important business.

The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, stated that in February, 1950 the Town Council had granted permission to the owner of the residence at 44 Terricini Avenue to use a portion of the public way as a lawn on sufferance only and that in April, 1950, this owner stated in a letter addressed to the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller that sod and grass had been placed on this portion of the Town property which will be removed by the owner upon demand by the Town. Since this permission was granted this property has changed hands twice, the status of this property being questioned each time, and in view of the fact that it may change hands again, it was the opinion of the Mayor and the Council that the status of this property should be clarified and something done in a legal manner to safeguard the Town from the loss of such property. Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett stated that legally the Town is perfectly safe that there is no chance, according to the Records of the Town, that such property could be lost. The Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, stated that a law concerning squatters' rights allows a person to take possession of property after a twenty year period and he did not want to see this property get into this category. A general discussion followed, Councilman Mr. Philip H. Cummings suggesting that the Town demand this property as stated in the letter signed by the original owner and that no concession be given to any future owner about such use. The question arose as to private owners on each side of the Strand at the extreme west end, making use of Town property in a similar manner, should this condition be ceased and what legal action should be taken. Since the Town does not have the deed to the property located at the extreme west end of the Strand and after the Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, had talked with the Town Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, by phone it was agreed that this matter be tabled awaiting the report of Mr. Francis M. Miller who stated that he would give this matter his immediate attention, and also investigate the deed to the Town Property at the Loggia.

The Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, reported that the Town Manager, Mr. Charles A. Crum, had called to his attention the danger of having a raft placed in the Ocean for use by the bathers at the Loggia, citing that persons, especially children, diving from this raft when the tide is low, could cause serious injury to themselves, that other public beaches do not allow bathers to use floating objects in the ocean. A general discussion followed as to whether to maintain or dispose of the raft, Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett stating that he was in favor of keeping same as so many bathers who frequent the Loggia enjoy its use and Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, stated that he did not like to deprive the bathers the pleasure of its use, but if it is a danger, he would favor having it disposed. Thereupon a motion was made by Councilman Mr. Phillip H. Cummings to dispose of this raft, which was seconded by Councilman Mr. F. Waldo Roth, a voice vote by roll being taken as follows:-

Councilman Mr. Phillip H. Cummings - aye

Councilman Mr. F. Waldo Roth - aye

Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart - aye

Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett - nay

Thereupon the Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz ordered the raft removed.

The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, reported that a request had been made by a Resident, that the Council consider having a patio installed at the Loggia with an enclosure so that the northeast winds would not cause discomfort to the bathers while they are sunning themselves. He presented a diagram of where such a patio could be installed for this purpose, the material used could be a concrete floor with a redwood louvered enclosure. The question arose as to the cost of this work and if funds would be available in the current budget for this expenditure and since it was undeterminable what material and labor would be needed, a motion was made by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, which was seconded by Councilman Mr. Philip H. Cummings, that a committee be appointed to make a study of this matter, secure prices and report same to the Council. Thereupon the Council President appointed Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Missett, and the Town Manager, Mr. Charles A. Crum as Members of this Committee.

The Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, inquired as to what action had been taken with regards to the condition of a seawall in front of an ocean front residence as he was appointed to give a report to a Resident, Mr. R. K. Lackey, after the Council had investigated same. The Council President, Mr. N. B. Ornitz, recommended that the Building Inspector be contacted and requested to examine this wall in question and upon his report, the Council will act accordingly and the Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner will advise Mr. R. K. Lackey on this matter.

The Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, ask the Council if some action could not be taken with regards to the size of signs that are placed in windows on the inside of houses. He cited on a certain residence that had several signs on display, which was most unattractive, and he suggested that the size of such signs should be limited to 66 sqin. A discussion followed as to how many signs should be allowed to be on display of this size and it was the consensus of opinion that only one sign be allowed at one time not to exceed 66 sqin.

Upon motion by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, seconded by Councilman Mr. Philip H. Cummings and upon a voiced vote by roll call the following Resolution was passed and Adopted:-

" R E S O L U T I O N

Be it Resolved by the Town Council Of the Town Of Golden Beach Florida that:-

One Sign not to exceed sixty-six square inches in size shall be allowed to be placed on windows inside of houses.

The One Sign which is allowed to be on display may read "For Sale", "For Rent" "Open", with a telephone number, if so desired.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 26th day of November, 1960.

*W. B. Ornitz*  
Council President

APPROVED:

*Ed Cummings*  
M a y o r

ATTEST:

*Janette Chapman*  
Deputy Town Clerk

Councilman Mr. Philip H. Cummings, reported that recently his neighbor hearing what sounded like a gunshot, ask him to call the police car, which he did immediately and then went out to investigate the noise. Considerable time elapsed before the patrol car arrived on the scene and upon his inquiry with the Police Radio Dispatch Service, was given to understand that an incompetent person handled the call, causing this delay, which could have had very serious results. The Commissioner Of Police and Fire, Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, stated that the manner in which a call is given, often causes delays in transmitting same. The Town Manager, Mr. Charles A. Crum stated that a call regarding shooting should be immediately transmitted, however the head of the Radio Dispatch Bureau is to explain this matter in writing. The Council President, Mr. M. B. Ornitz, stated that he experienced a similar incident wherein the Police Car was at his house within a few minutes of his telephone call.

The Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, ask if a bulletin could not be sent to the Residents, apprising them of the newly appointed Town Manager, Police Chief and Police Lieutenant, and the Council President, replied that such Bulletin will be sent.

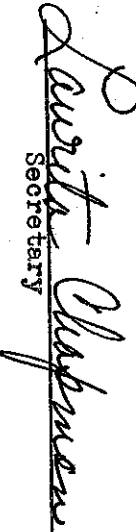
The Council President, Mr. M. B. Ornitz, recommended that the Town Supt of Maintenance be given an increase in salary and also the colored laborers, particularly those who have been with the Town for several years.

He called on the Town Manager, Mr. Charles A. Crum who suggested that Mr. Charles Hilgert, Supt. Of Maintenance be given an increase of 10¢ per hour and the colored laborers who are deserving, 5¢ an hour. This suggestion had the full approval of the Members of the Council and it was agreed that the first pay period in December. Mr. Charles Hilgert's raise is to go into effect with the colored laborers, their raises to be given at the discretion of the Town Manager Mr. Charles A. Crum

The Mayor, Mr. Larry O. Turner, reported that he received several complaints about the beach not being cleaned and the Town Manager, Mr. Charles A. Crum stated that the beach cleaning equipment is undergoing repairs but that it should be in working order very shortly, afterwhich the beach is to be cleaned.

There being no further business to come before the Members of the Council at this meeting upon motion by Councilman Mr. Joseph R. Nissett, seconded by Councilman Mr. Edward M. Stuart, the meeting adjourned.

  
MAYOR

  
SECRETARY

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH  
DADE COUNTY  
FLORIDA

December 2nd, 1960

The Residents  
Golden Beach,  
Florida

Dear Resident:

The First Regular Meeting of the 1960-61 Session of your Town Council was held on November 15th, 1960.

Since the final Meeting of the 1959-60 Session held on May 17th, 1960 and reported to you in our Bulletin of May 24th, 1960, your Council has met in Six Special Meetings and the action taken was reviewed in the meeting of November 15th, 1960.

We are advising you of the important actions taken during the Summer.

1. Contract for the Renovation of the Town Hall and Garage was let and contracts completed.
2. Landscaping on ALA, the Loggia and at the junction of the Strand and ALA was improved.
3. A Complete row of Melaluca was planted on the North Boundary of our Town.
4. Additional Street lights were installed on North Bay Drive, North and South Islands and at the junctions of streets.
5. Additional street drainage was installed.
6. Our Mayor resigned as Town Manager and your Council voted him a citation for his unselfish and efficient service to your Town as Town Manager.
7. Mr. Charles Crum was appointed Town Manager, effective October 1st, 1960.
8. Mr. James Bryant was appointed Chief Of Police, effective October 1st, 1960.
9. Mr. Don Gyzyn was appointed Lieutenant of Police, effective October 1st, 1960.

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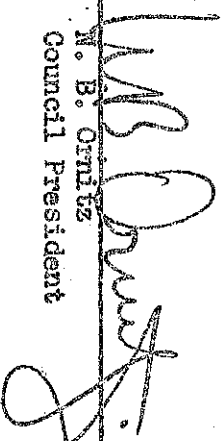
10. New signs at the North and South entrances to your Town have been installed, lighted and landscaped.
11. The Budget for 1959-60 was met and the surplus of approximately \$40,000.00 was transferred to the General Fund and resulted in a material reduction in your tax bill.
12. The questions of dogs-at-large, Rental and For Sale Signs were taken care of satisfactorily.
13. Your Mayor and Councilmen gave complete reports of their activities which were of great interest.
14. After the Meeting an inspection of our new facilities was made.

The next Meeting of your Council will be held on Tuesday, December 20th, 1960. I know it will be of great interest to you. PLEASE ATTEND.

A Happy Holiday Season to all of you from your Council, and Mayor.

Yours very truly,

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

  
N. B. ORNITZ  
Council President

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P.S. At the Meeting held on December 20th, 1960, Mr. Roy McAndrews has arranged for Mr. Thomas Cronin to serve coffee.



Office of the Mayor

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH  
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

November 22nd, 1960

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that on November 22nd, 1960 the Town Of Golden Beach, Florida sold One (1) R 73 N three-quarter ton G. E. Air Conditioner and One (1) 1949 Jacobsen Mower for the total cash sum of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars to Robert L. Kilgore, receipt for which is hereby acknowledged.

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

By Charles A. Crum  
Charles A. Crum  
Town Manager

Purchaser Robert L. Kilgore