

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

April 18, 1950

The regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Golden Beach was called for Tuesday, April 18, 1950 at 2 p.m. at the Town Hall. Upon roll call, the following members were found to be present, constituting all of the members of the Council:

Mayor	- Dr. Willard Van Camp
President	- Mr. George H. Draper, Jr.
Councilmen	- Mr. Burt Hengeveld
	- Mr. G. A. Mavon
	- Mr. Bennett R. Paulsen
	- Mr. George Von Neida

Also present were:

Attorney	- Mr. Francis M. Miller
Deputy Town Clerk	- Mr. Paul S. Smith

Four residents of the Town attended the meeting as visitors.

Mr. George H. Draper, Jr., President of the Town Council, acted as Chairman of the meeting, and Mr. Paul S. Smith, the Deputy Town Clerk, acted as Secretary of the meeting.

The Chairman, Mr. George H. Draper, Jr., thereupon called upon the Secretary of the meeting for the reading of the minutes of the meeting held on March 21, 1950. These minutes were read, and when no objections or corrections were offered, were ordered approved by the Chairman, Mr. George H. Draper, Jr.

The Deputy Town Clerk, Mr. Paul S. Smith, thereupon presented his Cash Report for the month of March 1950. This Cash Report, upon motion by Councilman G. A. Mavon, seconded by Councilman Burt Hengeveld, and unanimously carried, was approved and ordered attached to these minutes and made a part hereof.

In order to expedite matters in connection with the advertising of delinquent taxes, the Tax Sale, and the advertising of the meeting of the Board of Equalization, and the consideration of the Budget, the Council thereupon proceeded to these matters prior to taking up any old business which might be pending.

The Deputy Town Clerk thereupon asked for authorization for the advertising of the delinquent 1949 Town of Golden Beach taxes, and the Tax Sale. Upon motion by Councilman G. A. Mavon, seconded by Councilman

Bennett R. Paulsen, and unanimously carried, the Tax Collector was authorized to advertise the delinquent 1949 Town of Golden Beach taxes in the Miami Beach Times for four (4) consecutive issues of June 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th, 1950, said Tax Sale to be held on Monday, July 3, 1950, under the laws of the State of Florida.

Upon motion by Councilman George Von Neida, seconded by Councilman Burt Hengeveld, and unanimously carried, the Deputy Town Clerk was authorized to advertise in the Miami Beach Times the meeting of the Board of Equalization, said Board to meet for three (3) consecutive days beginning July 10, 1950, said meeting to be advertised in the Miami Beach Times in the issues of June 16th, 23rd and 30th, 1950, with the proviso that no application shall be considered by the Board of Equalization unless it is submitted in writing to the Town Clerk at her office, Town Hall, Golden Beach, Florida, at least three days prior to the meeting of the Board of Equalization.

The Mayor, Dr. Willard Van Camp, the Finance Commissioner, Mr. George Von Neida, and the Deputy Town Clerk, Mr. Paul S. Smith, thereupon presented Tentative Budget for the year commencing November 1, 1950 and ending October 31, 1951. The proposed Budget was reviewed by the Town Council.

The Budget is in words and figures as follows:

BUDGET - YEAR NOVEMBER 1, 1950 TO OCTOBER 31, 1951

<u>Operating</u>		
Upkeep of Parkways, Waterlines, etc., including		
one-half Town Manager's and Police Chief's		
Salary, and Workmen's Wages		\$10,810.00
Police Radio Service		480.00
Water Consumption		350.00
Repairs of Bridges, Streets, Electric Lines,		
Loggia, Town Hall, etc. (Current)		4,500.00
Police Service		9,520.00
Lighting		1,500.00
Upkeep of Police Equipment, including Replacements		2,000.00
Upkeep of Trucks, Mowers, etc. including Replacements		3,000.00
Gas and Oil		2,700.00
Telephone		150.00
Insurance		1,200.00
Printing, Postage & Publication Charges		400.00
Legal Expense		600.00
Town Clerk's Office (Deputy)		600.00
Audit		200.00
Tax Discounts		1,600.00
Contingencies		2,716.65
		<u>\$42,326.65</u>
Total Operating Budget		
Debt Service		
Certificates of Indebtedness - Principal		\$ 5,000.00
Interest 3%		56.25
Building Fund \$25,000.00 - Principal		-0-
Interest 3 1/2%		875.00
Total Debt Service		<u>\$ 5,931.25</u>
TOTAL BUDGET		<u>\$48,257.90</u>

This Budget, being presented to the Town Council, the members of the Town Council were polled and the vote was as follows:

Councilman Burt Hengeveld	- Aye
Councilman G. A. Mavon	- Aye
Councilman Bennett R. Paulsen	- Aye
Councilman George Von Neida	- Aye
Council President George H. Draper, Jr.	- Aye

As the result of the polling of the members of the Council, the Council President, Mr. George H. Draper, Jr., thereupon declared the Budget adopted.

The Tax Assessor, upon motion by Councilman G. A. Mavon, seconded by Councilman Bennett R. Paulsen, and unanimously carried, was thereupon instructed by the Town Council to continue the policy followed in former years and assess each house in the Town of Golden Beach at the uniform assessed value of \$120.00 for the purpose of stimulating building in the Town, and the Tax Assessor thereupon presented the Assessment Roll for the year 1950, showing the net valuation of taxable property on that basis of \$1,721,376.00.

The Tax Assessor thereupon requested that the millage for said roll be fixed, and upon motion properly made and seconded, the millage was proposed to be set at 25 mills. This motion was put to a vote by the Deputy Town Clerk and the Council's votes were recorded as follows:

Councilman Burt Hengeveld	- Aye
Councilman G. A. Mavon	- Aye
Councilman Bennett R. Paulsen	- Aye
Councilman George Von Neida	- Aye
Council President George H. Draper, Jr.	- Aye

The motion was then declared to be unanimously carried.

The Tax Collector, upon motion by Councilman Bennett R. Paulsen, seconded by Councilman George Von Neida, and unanimously carried, was authorized and instructed to again allow the following discounts for prompt payment of taxes:

During November 1950	- 4%
During December 1950	- 3%
During January 1951	- 2%
During February 1951	- 1%

The Council thereupon proceeded to the consideration of old business and considered the following reports:

1. The question of keeping all of the records of the Town at the Town Hall, and the possibility of Mrs. Kulken doing some part or all of the work of the Town Clerk was then considered. The Deputy Town Clerk reported that he had discussed the matter at length with the Committee appointed by the President of the Council on March 21, 1950, which Committee consisted of Council-

man G. A. Mavon and Councilman Burt Hengeveld, and that he had had several discussions with Mrs. Kuiken. He thereupon read a proposal letter, which he had prepared, covering his suggestions and stated that this letter had been reviewed by the Committee and that they were in accord therewith. A copy of this letter is attached to these minutes. It was the feeling of the Council that the Deputy Town Clerk's proposals be put into effect and that at the meeting of the Town Council in November or December 1950, the Deputy Town Clerk report further on the progress of the plan and whether or not any modifications had by then been found to be desirable.

2. The Commissioner of Streets and Lighting, Mr. Burt Hengeveld, reported on his investigation of certain bills of the Florida Power and Light Company covering repairs to the Town's lighting system in October 1948, April 1949, May 1949 and December 1949. He reported that these bills could not be reduced; that they cover work properly charged to the Town, and he recommended that they be paid forthwith, whereupon the Council so instructed the Deputy Town Clerk.

3. Upon motion by Councilman George Von Neida, seconded by Councilman G. A. Mavon, and unanimously carried, it was voted that an increase of \$10.00 per month be given to Chief of Police, Mr. R. H. Kuiken. This increase to be retroactive to March 1, 1950. The Police Commissioner, Mr. G. A. Mavon, stated that when a similar increase had been voted to the policemen by the Town Council at meeting held on February 21, 1950, the Chief of Police had been omitted, although it was the intention of the Council that he was to be included.

4. The Deputy Town Clerk called to the attention of the Council the fact that by its action at Council meetings held in April and May of 1946, it had ordered that all moneys received from hydrant rentals be put into a Water System Fund to be accumulated toward the purchase of a water system for the Town. He further called to the attention of the Council that in the years since 1946 the Council has from time to time voted transfers from this Water System Fund into the General Fund. He further stated that the balance now remaining in the Water System Fund is \$648.61. The Deputy Town Clerk suggested that this balance be transferred into the General Fund, and further, that moneys received for hydrant rentals for the year ending October 31, 1950 and future years, be put into the General Fund, thus rescinding the Council's action taken in April and May of 1946. After consideration of these suggestions by the Council, it was moved by Councilman G. A. Mavon, seconded by Councilman George Von Neida, and unanimously carried, that the balance in the Water System Fund of \$648.61 be transferred to the General Fund and that in the future, receipts from hydrant rentals should be put into the General Fund.

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5. The Deputy Town Clerk then called to the attention of the Council the fact that there was a deficit of \$45.71 in the Permanent Improvement Fund. Upon motion by Councilman George Von Neida, seconded by Councilman Bennett R. Paulsen, and unanimously carried, the Deputy Town Clerk was authorized to transfer the amount of \$45.71 from the General Fund to the Permanent Improvement Fund.

The question of the cleaning and removal of debris from the beach was then considered. The Town's Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, thereupon presented Ordinance #41, entitled

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA REQUIRING THE CLEANING AND REMOVAL OF ALL DEBRIS IN FRONT OF ALL LOTS ON THE OCEAN FRONT, LEVYING A LOT CLEANING ASSESSMENT ON ALL OCEAN FRONT LOTS AND IMPOSING A LIEN ON SUCH LOTS AND REQUIRING THE TOWN MANAGER TO USE TOWN EQUIPMENT FOR SUCH WORK."

This Ordinance was read by the Town's Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, on first and second reading. Upon these readings of this Ordinance and motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, Ordinance #41 passed its first and second readings at this meeting.

The Deputy Town Clerk reported to the Council that the Fidelity Bond covering the former Deputy Town Clerk, Mr. Fred G. Gamer, had been cancelled as of March 4, 1950, and suggested to the Council that a new Fidelity bond covering the Town Clerk, the Deputy Town Clerk and the Chief of Police, be applied for. Upon motion by Councilman George Von Neida, seconded by Councilman Burt Hengeveld, and unanimously carried, Mr. G. A. Mayon was directed to procure such a bond for the Town.

Council President George H. Draper, Jr. called to the attention of the Council that Mrs. Ruth Galvin had filed building plans which violated the setback ordinance of the Town and asked for the Council's approval of this variance. After discussion, the Council instructed the Town's Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, to write to Mrs. Galvin denying her variance application.

In connection with the bulkheading of lots on Center Island, the Town's Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, requested a vote of the Council enabling the Town to relinquish to Mr. Dean D. Francis, the owner of Lot 25, Block L, Section E, any rights which the Town might have in the strip of land westerly of this lot fronting on the intra-coastal waterway, so that he may extend his bulkhead along this strip. Upon motion by Councilman G. A. Mayon, seconded by Councilman George Von Neida, and unanimously carried, the Council relinquished these rights of the Town to Mr. Dean D. Francis.

Attorney Francis M. Miller reported on his efforts in the matter of the proposed plan of the City of Miami to construct a sewage plant which would pour sewage into the Gulf Stream. He stated that this plan now appeared to have been abandoned and further that there were plans now under discussion to constitute the whole County of Dade into a sewage and sanitation district, this district to construct a sewage disposal plant in the western part of the County. Upon motion by

Councilman George Von Neida, seconded by Councilman Bennett R. Paulsen, and unanimously carried, the Council declared itself in favor of this sanitation district plan and appointed Mr. Newton Skillman and Mr. Richard K. Lackey to serve with the Town's Attorney, Mr. Francis M. Miller, as representatives of the Town in this matter.

Upon motion by Councilman George Von Neida, seconded by Councilman G. A. Mayon, and unanimously carried, the Deputy Town Clerk was directed to take the necessary steps to transfer the bank account of Miami Beach from The First National Bank of Miami, Miami, Florida, to Miami Beach First National Bank, Miami Beach, Florida.

Attorney Francis M. Miller reported on his progress in the matter of obtaining a Post Office for the Town of Golden Beach. Mr. R. F. Rockwell, a resident of the Town of Golden Beach, reported to the Council concerning endeavors which he had been making in the same direction. After discussion, it was the sense of the Council that Attorney Francis M. Miller and Mr. R. F. Rockwell work together in this matter.

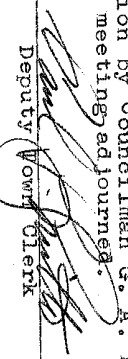
President George H. Draper, Jr. asked that the approval of building plans, which has been handled by himself as a Committee of one, be handled by a Committee consisting of himself and Councilman Burt Hengeveld and that building plans be approved by this Committee before they are submitted to the Architect. Upon motion by Councilman George Von Neida, seconded by Councilman G. A. Mayon, and unanimously carried, it was voted that the Building Committee consist of Councilman George G. Draper, Jr. and Councilman Burt Hengeveld.

Town Manager, Mr. R. H. Kuiken, called to the attention of the Council that the garage and trash collection tax of \$15.00 now levied by the Town against each house in the Town, was not sufficiently large to cover the cost of this collection. Thereupon, upon motion by Councilman Bennett R. Paulsen, seconded by Councilman George Von Neida, and unanimously carried, it was voted to raise this tax to \$25.00 on each house for the year beginning November 1, 1950.

Councilman Bennett R. Paulsen brought up for discussion the question of the need for lifeguard protection on the beach during the months of January, February and March, and stated that the increasing number of children and other residents of the Town using the beach during the winter months had created this need. Thereupon, upon motion by Councilman G. A. Mayon, seconded by Councilman Bennett R. Paulsen, and unanimously carried, the Town Manager, Mr. R. H. Kuiken, was authorized to employ a life-guard to patrol the beach during the months of January, February and March.

Because of the possibility that certain of the Councilmen could not be present on May 16, 1950, the regular date for the May meeting of the Town Council, it was moved by Councilman George Von Neida, seconded by Councilman Bennett R. Paulsen, and unanimously carried, that the regular May meeting of the Town Council be held on Tuesday, May 2, 1950 at 2 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion by Councilman G. A. Mayon, seconded by Councilman Burt Hengeveld, the meeting adjourned.


Deputy Town Clerk


Mayor



TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH
DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

OFFICE OF
FRED G. GAMER
DEPUTY TOWN CLERK, TAX ASSESSOR
AND TAX COLLECTOR
1110 PAN AMERICAN BANK BUILDING
MIAMI 52, FLORIDA

Apr-11 18, 1950

To the Town Council,
Town of Golden Beach, Florida.

Gentlemen:

With reference to your desire to have all the books and records of the Town kept and maintained at the Town Hall in Golden Beach, and to have as much as possible of the work of the Town Clerk, the Tax Assessor and the Tax Collector performed by your present Town Clerk, Mrs. Kuiken, instead of by myself as the Deputy Town Clerk, I have the following report.

I have met with the Committee appointed by your President at your meeting on March 21, 1950 and conferred with Mrs. Kuiken and explored carefully the problems involved and the technical capabilities of Mrs. Kuiken to perform the work. As a result, the following proposal is submitted for your consideration:

- (1) As expeditiously as possible, all of the Town's books and records now in my office at 1110 Pan American Bank Building, Miami, Florida, will be transferred to your Town Hall; necessary filing cabinets and safes will be provided by the Town to properly safeguard these records.
- (2) All books and records of the Town will be kept and maintained by Mrs. Kuiken with a few exceptions which are noted below.
- (3) During the next six months, or until November 1, 1950, I will fully instruct Mrs. Kuiken in the necessary bookkeeping, tax and other procedures necessary to properly maintain the Town's records, and will closely supervise her work during that time to insure its accuracy and completeness.
- (4) I will counter-sign all checks issued against the bank accounts of the Town when based upon properly approved vouchers or invoices.
- (5) During the next six months, or until November 1, 1950, I will attend all meetings of the Town Council and keep proper minutes of the Council's proceedings.
- (6) I will see that the delinquent taxes of 1949 are properly advertised, will conduct the Tax Sale, and attend to the meetings of the Board of Equalization.

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(7) Starting with the year beginning November 1, 1950 and for an annual fee of Six Hundred (\$600.00) Dollars, payable monthly, I will act as Deputy Town Clerk, performing the following duties only:

(a) Attend all meetings of the Town Council and keep proper minutes of its proceedings.

(b) Exercise a general, but limited, supervision of the work and records of the Town Clerk.

(c) Attend to the advertising of delinquent taxes, conduct the Tax Sale and attend to the meetings of the Board of Equalization. X

(8) The following tasks are specifically not to be included in my duties:

(a) Preparing the annual budget of the Town.

(b) Preparing information necessary for the Town Council to properly fix tax rates.

(c) Such work as is required of the Town Clerk's office in preparing for and conducting the biennial elections.

(d) Performing the necessary annual audit of the books and records of the Town.

The above tasks, as well as the rendering of such accounting work, exclusive of general supervision, as the Town Clerk may request to properly maintain the Town's records, will be performed by me or my staff and billed to the Town at rates usually charged by accountants for such work.

It is my opinion that the above proposals will insure the proper maintaining of the Town's records and will result in a substantial saving to the Town.

Respectfully submitted,



Paul S. Smith, Deputy Town
Clerk

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TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

CASH REPORT OF DEPUTY TOWN CLERK

MONTH OF MARCH 1950

Balance -
In The First National Bank of Miami,
 March 1, 1950 \$32,189.52
 In Transit March 1, 1950, deposited
 March 8, 1950 479.65 \$32,669.17

Receipts - Month of March, 1950:
Budgeted Receipts:
 1949 Taxes Collected \$ 1,219.50

Other:
 Income Tax Withheld \$ 66.60
 Cleanup Bond Deposits 150.00
 Tax Sales Certificates

Redeemed:
 For 1947 Taxes \$ 91.05
 For 1948 Taxes 290.42

\$381.47
 55.59

Interest thereon 437.06
 Building Permits 300.00
 Court Fines 1,394.00
 Sale of Steel Beam 75.00
 Telephone Commissions 1.19

Less: Disbursements
 2,423.85
\$ 3,643.35
 8,459.47

BALANCE OF CASH TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR

\$27,853.05

4,816.12

Cash accounted for:
In The First National Bank of Miami,
 March 31, 1950: \$27,250.15
 General Fund 45.71
 Permanent Improvement Fund
 Water System Fund 648.61

TOTAL CASH ACCOUNTED FOR

\$27,853.05

Percent
to Total

Total 1949 Tax Roll	\$48,113.90	100.00
<u>Less: Taxes Collected Thru March 31, 1950</u>	<u>43,779.62</u>	<u>90.99</u>
Uncollected Balance - March 31, 1950	\$ 4,334.28	<u>9.01</u>

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA

CASH DISBURSEMENTS

MONTH OF MARCH 1950

Architect's Fee		\$	40.00
Building Inspection Fees			50.00
Cleanup Bonds Refunded			50.00
Equipment Other than Police - Purchases			40.64
Equipment Other than Police - Repairs and Maintenance			99.46
Gas and Oil			188.96
Interest			587.50
Landscaping Upkeep - Salaries & Wages	\$1,097.50		1,141.30
= Other	43.80		93.07
Lighting			54.12
Miscellaneous			48.12
Police Equipment - Repairs and Maintenance			40.00
Police Radio Service			696.40
Police Services			7.50
Postage			5.30
Printing and Stationery			66.16
Repairs and Maintenance - Signs			5,000.00
Retirement of Certificates of Indebtedness			15.50
Telephone and Telegraph			175.00
Town Clerk			60.44
Water			

TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS

\$8,459.47