



## TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

One Golden Beach Drive  
Golden Beach, FL 33160

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### Official Minutes for the September 6, 2016 First Budget Hearing called for 7:00 P.M.

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#### A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Singer called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

#### B. ROLL CALL

**Councilmember's Present:** Mayor Glenn Singer, Councilmember Judy Lusskin, Councilmember Bernard Einstein, Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas, *Vice Mayor Kenneth Bernstein (arrived during the motion to set the agenda)*

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Alexander Diaz, Town Clerk Lissette Perez, Town Attorney Steve Helfman, Chief of Police Rudy Herbello, Lt. Yovany Diaz, Public Works Director Kirk McKoy, Facilities & Maintenance Director Ken Jones, Building & Zoning Director Linda Epperson

#### C. PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE

Chief Herbello led the Pledge of Allegiance

#### D. PRESENTATIONS / TOWN PROCLAMATIONS

None

#### E. MOTION TO SET THE AGENDA

ADDITIONS/ DELETIONS/ REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM CONSENT  
AGENDA/ AND CHANGES TO AGENDA

#### F. TOWN RESOLUTIONS

- 1. A Resolution of the Town Council Adopting the Proposed Millage Rate for the Fiscal Year Commencing October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN  
OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE  
PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN  
BEACH FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING

OCTOBER 1, 2016 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017  
PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 200.065 (TRIM BILL);  
SETTING A DATE FOR A FINAL PUBLIC HEARING TO  
ADOPT THE MILLAGE RATE; PROVIDING FOR AN  
EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Report No. 1  
Resolution No. 2459.16

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2459.16

A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Lusskin, seconded by Councilmember Einstein.

**Town Attorney** asked that they also at the same time read the budget resolution and open both up for public hearing, but still act on them separately.

**Mayor Singer** read the budget item and the motion was made to approve, and seconded.

**Town Attorney** stated that now both items were before the council for discussion purposes, when we come to action they will be voting on separately. The public is free to make comments and speak about both the budget and the millage.

**Town Attorney** read into the record that the roll back rate of 6.5031 and the proposed millage rate 7.3960 which is 13.73% over the rolled back rate and we have a voted debt service millage of 1.004 mills.

**Mayor Singer** read the total millage rate into the record.

**Town Manager** gave a presentation on the budget – going over each section, line by line.

**Resident Tony Rojas, 600 Golden Beach Drive**

Recommended the Town buy efficient natural gas vehicles for the Town's police vehicle fleet.

**Town Manager** stated that the Town has looked into that for when the Town replaces the Town's non-police fleet.

**Resident Neil Leff, 48 Terracina Ave** mentioned that he had inquired last year at the second budget meeting about the stormwater administrative fees. He asked to get something in writing and never received anything.

**Town Manager Diaz** stated that unless he has a document that answers that question he is not legally obligated to produce a document to produce that document. The

Town's prior administration always added administrative costs to that fund. Not willing to create that document to satisfy that request. Will publicly explain why that number is something that he feels comfortable with. The Town's stormwater fund is the only enterprise fund the Town has that it can charge the residents a revenue fee, to cover the costs of the administration, cover the cost of the system, to cover the operating costs. Not trying to be difficult or not answer the question, there is no document that clearly outlines what that number is. It is just a general line item transfer. This administration has taken that number and decreased it over the years.

**Councilmember Bernstein** asked if there was no way to quantify the number with a document.

**Town Manager** stated that it is in the Town's best interest that that document does not exist. Because if it shows that the Town needs to increase the costs to fund it, the auditors may call for the Town to increase the stormwater fee.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Kenneth Bernstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Judy Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas	<u>Aye</u>

The motion passed.

**2. A Resolution of the Town Council Adopting the Tentative Budgets for the Fiscal Year Commencing October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE BUDGETS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2016 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 200.065 (TRIM BILL); PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Report No. 2  
Resolution No. 2460.16

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2460.16

A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Rojas, seconded by Councilmember Lusskin.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Kenneth Bernstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Judy Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas	<u>Aye</u>

The motion passed.

**Town Manager** reminded council that the landscape ordinance workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>.

**G. ADJOURNMENT:**

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A motion to adjourn the Council Meeting was made by Councilmember Einstein, seconded by Vice Mayor Bernstein.

Consensus vote 5 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion passes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lissette Perez*  
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Town Clerk