



## TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

One Golden Beach Drive  
Golden Beach, FL 33160

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**Official Minutes for the October 15, 2019  
Regular Town Council Meeting called for 7:00 P.M.**

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### A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Singer called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

### B. ROLL CALL

**Councilmember's Present:** Mayor Glenn Singer, Vice Mayor Kenneth Bernstein, Councilmember Jaime Mendal, Councilmember Judy Lusskin, Councilmember Bernard Einstein

**Staff Present:** Town Manager Alexander Diaz, Town Attorney Steve Helfman, Town Clerk Lissette Perez, Finance Director Maria D. Camacho, Police Chief Rudy Herbello

### C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chief Herbello led the Pledge of Allegiance

### D. PRESENTATIONS / TOWN PROCLAMATIONS

- IGUANA ABATEMENT QUESTION AND ANSWER FORUM (Town Manager requested that North Miami Beach Water give their presentation first)
- NORTH MIAMI BEACH WATER UPDATE – water presentation was done first. Representative spoke about re-establishment of meter boxes, incoming project of the additional (new) antenna, and the approved ordinance to change the cycle of billing back to quarterly for residential accounts.

**Mayor Singer** stated that they used to be quarterly and they changed it to monthly. Asked why they are going back to quarterly billing cycles

**Leonard Scroggins, North Miami Beach Water Department Representative** stated that based off feedback they thought that would be the right way to go, over time they discovered its best to go back to quarterly

**Town Manager** stated to be more transparent when the City of North Miami Beach went to monthly there was a fee that was not being accurately collected that caused significant financial implications to the City. Also, it was more difficult for some of the users to pay on a monthly basis versus a quarterly basis. In addition to that there is a proposed rate increase that just passed to all of their users. In the interest of public record, there are some wholesale customers that either have initiated or have

threatened to initiate lawsuits against North Miami Beach as it relates to the rate increase. He has not recommended our council get involved from a legal perspective, because we have a clause in our franchise agreement with North Miami Beach that will allow us to benefit from the outcome.

**Resident Dr. Norman Gaylis, 179 Ocean Boulevard**, stated he would like to make a few responses to the presentation. It sounds great but the truth of matter is after multiple phone calls to the city, just today his meter was removed for further inspection. He showed a bar graph of his water usage and how it sky rocketed although there were no changes made. He had a plumber and leak specialist come out because North Miami Beach refuses to except that there is a problem. There has been nothing to explain the large volume of water being utilized. When he returned the information to North Miami Beach, they told him that it is what it is. That is when he went to the Town Hall Administration.

**Town Manager** agreed with Dr. Gaylis and stated that there are residents with even more dire situations. One of the things we started to get some traction on is the trust issue with the new automatic readers. We know that one of them at least was tested and was not functioning properly. Committed to him that when there is a meter that is questionable they will replace it and send it to the lab for testing. Where we have not seen traction is the credits. There are many reasons behind the credits, a lot of it has to do with the way the state law is written as it relates to water credits. If you have a water bill related issue, work with Michael Glidden and his team. Once we get the two antennas up and running we will see better readings. He encourages all of our residents to sign one person up in the house to receive notifications so that they can be alerted when there is an issue.

**Mayor Singer** stated that the issue is they are not getting back to the residents; they are just ignoring it, that is not right and that is why they are so upset.

**Mr. Samuel Zamacona, North Miami Beach Water Department Representative** stated that is what they are doing here today they are putting a face to the problem. They did have some personal changes made due to that issue. They are keeping a line of communication with the Town staff, through that line they are able to keep a good log of all of the complaints and calls they receive from Town.

**Vice Mayor Bernstein** asked if the meter goes to the lab and they determine it does not work does the resident get credit issued back.

**Mr. Samuel Zamacona** stated at that point they are able to give credit back because they are able to justify why the credit is needed.

**Resident Chris Masciatti, 322 South Parkway**, stated that he believes in February after he bought his home, the month prior he had a \$2,000 bill, the first bill was \$400 so he called North Miami Beach customer service, they could care less to help him, they told him to send an email and they would get to it when they get to it. Than he reached out to Town Hall and was directed to Mr. Glidden who was able to get him in contact with the right people. We figured out he had a leak, they fixed the problem and credited him back. However, if it was not for Town Hall he would have never been able to get in contact with anyone. As a contractor, he is suggesting two options, one go on a

vacation for a month and shut everything off to see what the bill will be. Two, install your own sub meter so that at the end of the cycle you can look at both numbers and see if the numbers match.

**Resident Dr. Beny Rub, 698 North Island Drive**, stated he has a different experience. For a long time he had water problems and high bills, the city has been very receptive to him they have come to his house and changed his meter, but he still has that problem. He has received credit but he does not know for what. He has had three people come in and the city has come in, they have closed all the valves but still no answer.

**Vice Mayor Bernstein** asked what is the plan going forward, is everyone going to have to go to Mr. Glidden for these types of problems.

**Mr. Zamacona** stated it is up to you as the customer you can come directly to them or through Mr. Glidden

**Town Manager** stated that we always encourage our residents to first go to North Miami Beach so that our staff can focus on other Town related business, but when you feel that you hit a wall or no one is calling you back than immediately let us know, because we do not want unsatisfied residents.

**Dr. Rub** stated that this is a Town issue and the residents need the Towns help once that gets resolved than maybe we could do that, because they have all been trying.

**Town Manager** stated we will continue to lead in the effort and Mr. Glidden will still be the lead on the effort. Hopefully, there will come a time where we all feel confident enough in the system that we can just rely on North Miami Beach independently but until that time we will continue to be the lead on it.

**Councilmember Einstein** asked if the 19 submerged meters were being effected due to them being submerged

**Town Manager** stated that on the meters that they have identified as submerged the Town would be taking on that responsibility to address raising them so the residents are not burdened with that, we are doing it from a public health perspective, we are working with three contractors to get prices to raise those boxes. North Miami Beach is supplying the materials needed to do so; it is a partnership between the two cities.

\*\*\*\* At this time the Iguana presentation was heard\*\*\*\*

**Town Manager** stated tonight they have two goals; one is to let the residents know that legally they are allowed to take whatever action they need to reduce the iguana population on their property. Two, to know that the Town is responsible for the Towns common areas, but the resident is responsible for control on their properties. We are not providing an individual white glove service to the homes. If three homes in the same area call Town hall than we will have iguana control go out there when we feel that it is becoming too burdensome on the neighboring areas home and try to reduce the population so that it is more manageable to the home owner.

## **E. MOTION TO SET THE AGENDA**

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

## **F. GOOD AND WELFARE**

**Dr. Beny Rub, 698 North Island** asked if the milling will be done in time for the upcoming 5k race because it would not be safe to run on the roads if the work is not complete. Inquired about the houses with standing water that can cause a mosquito problem

**Town Manager** stated the race route has been changed to Ocean Boulevard and will not be affected by the milling. Stated we have increased our number of mosquito sprays and localized treatment with Clark Mosquito.

**Town Clerk** read letters into the record from the following residents:

**Alfred and Sydell Herrick, 625 Ocean Boulevard**

**Leon Huppert, 440 Golden Beach Drive**

**Dina Nicolella, 522 North Parkway**

**Ronni Bianco, 448 Golden Beach Drive**

## **G. MAYOR'S REPORT**

Spoke on street resurfacing, he knows that it is taken longer than expected but with the Jewish holidays, sea rise, and the bad weather, it has been delayed. It is an inconvenience for many people but sometimes we must take a step back before we take a step forward. Looking forward to the Halloween event, hoping to see all of the residents attend. Pleased how the new civic center is progressing. Appreciate everyone's input and suggestions; we have implemented a lot of them. The flooding situation we are aware of it and going to address it tonight in the manager's report. The tides are the highest level he has ever seen in over 20 years of living here. What is making it worse is the wind is coming out of the northeast, and it is blowing the water, which is causing beach erosion. This year it is the worse that has happened in years. Every year the beach comes back, people just have to be a little more patient.

## **H. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Councilmember Mendal** feels that we need a new auditor this year. Had the same one for many years and at least this year we need to find a new auditor considering we are starting this project.

**Councilmember Lusskin** stated that sometimes we take for granted all of the things the Town does for the residents. Just wanted to say thank you, does not know any community that does what we do.

**Vice Mayor Bernstein** stated it was impressive how the manager and Mr. Glidden handled the water issue with the residents. Asked if there is something, we can do to help residents know what different things they can do to help stabilize their properties. Thanked the council for permitting him to go through his comments, he spent some time with the manager and he is going to let him speak about it. Mentioned the resident that stated that they have no idea how much each of the projects is going to cost, that is why he wanted to have a workshop to be able to go over everything. He does believe that this council and residents are better served when we have an open forum so that we can get input from everyone.

**Councilmember Einstein** agreed with Vice Mayor Bernstein, stating he wants to make sure we have taken adequate due process means to let our citizens know what is happening with the project and have their input. Spoke on the issue of dogs barking at night. Police have been extremely responsive and it starts a chain reaction.

**Mayor Singer** spoke just briefly about the work that has been done to get to the new Town Hall.

**Vice Mayor Bernstein** stated that he strongly supports doing a new Town Hall, he is just concerned with the process we take to do it.

#### **I. TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

We cannot asphalt when the roads are wet. We are seeing water coming up through the dirt and on to our streets, asphalt will not adhere to wet pavement. It is in our best interest to allow us to do the project correctly so we do not have any issues on a moving forward basis. You will be notified the night before and the morning of when we are going to work in the front of your house. The water that we are seeing all over Town is directly related to the lunar cycle. Halloween day will be the highest the water will be in the intracoastal, we are concerned about the amount of water that we are going to see in our streets. If North Park is saturated and becomes a mud pit, that is not a safe environment for people to be walking and we will move the event to the beach pavilion. We will make that decision the day before. Because we are seeing more water, there are more transformer boxes smoking. Hot equipment and cold water creates smoke, that does not mean it is on fire, but please call the substation when you see a smoking box. As it relates to the beach, we have lost a lot of our beach. Beach re-nourishment is the responsibility of the individual homeowner, the Town does not charge permit fees, we help you expedite your permit through the state of Florida, and we help you facilitate how to get the sand on your property. Residents at the beach need to be cognizant that beach re-nourishment is your issue. If the council decides that beach re-nourishment should be a Town issue we now have to deal with public access issues. Beach re-nourishment should always remain an issue that is private. We are going to put together a shoreline stabilization plan. Typically, the months of December, January, and February bring sand back to our shores. There are over 33 homes in Town that are pushing water in to our streets and the Town's right-of-way due to elevations that have not been properly maintained. We will be issuing warnings and violations to try and correct those actions. Code requires that on an annual basis you are to check your elevations and maintain them. We are going to start enforcing that code because we are starting to see a lot of ground saturations causing flooding in areas we have never had flooding. The projected timeline for the canal maintenance project has been set. The

GPS boat thief is back, Hallandale was hit with seven thefts, and we will be doing some enforcement enhancements. Residents please check your boat frequently and let us know if anything is missing. Congratulated the police department on their reaccreditation.

**J. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT**

None

**K. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING**

None

**L. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING**

None

**M. QUASI JUDICIAL RESOLUTIONS**

None

**N. CONSENT AGENDA**

- 1. Official Minutes of the September 17, 2019 First Budget Hearing and Regular Town Council Meeting**
- 2. A Resolution of the Town Council Recognizing Florida City Government Week, October 21 – 27.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING FLORIDA CITY GOVERNMENT WEEK, OCTOBER 21 – 27, AND ENCOURAGING ALL CITIZENS TO SUPPORT THE CELEBRATION AND CORRESPONDING ACTIVITIES.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Report No. 2  
Resolution No. 2649.19

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2649.19

- 3. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Surplus of a 2019 Polaris 900 XP Ranger from the Town's Fleet.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SURPLUS OF A 2019 POLARIS 900 XP RANGER FROM THE GOLDEN BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Report No. 3  
Resolution No. 2650.19

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2650.19

Consensus vote 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Items N1-N3 pass.

## **O. CIVIC CENTER COMPLEX MASTERPLAN DISCUSSION**

**Town Manager** stated that in 2017 Town Council instructed him to get more aggressive with that plan. In April of 2018, the Administration presented the civic center Taj Mahal plan for the civic center. The Council struck it down at that meeting saying it was too big and our residents will not support it. We made a commitment to come back with a plan that would require no assessments, required the basics, try to get an amenity for residents and do so in a manner that is responsible. Thought what if they could achieve the amenity for a resident by repurposing this current building. The current Town Hall is not historic. Not having two facilities reduces our cost immensely because we do not have to add the square footage for a new facility for that amenity. Before the elections, we did a survey asking our residents what are the amenities they want and do not want. During the elections, we did another survey asking our residents to rank the amenities in order of priorities. At the April 2019 meeting, the first phase of the design criteria was presented to the public. We took the months during the summer to advertise in the Town magazine, and e-blast stating civic center discussion, and no one came. He met with all the councilmembers during the summer and took the information from all of the members to put together the design criteria package. The decision was made from a cost perspective. So long as we spell out what we want and we guarantee a price, it does not matter what happens – any added expense are on them. It is bonded we require a bid bond, a building bond, and insurances. At the last council meeting after all our residents were invited to participate, and join us at the meeting publicly and independently, the public decided not to participate for whatever reason they chose not to. This council was presented a design criteria package that was ratified and voted on. This evening what I bring to you are some changes that we have made to the design criteria (changes are in red). All of the feedback that was received has been incorporated. The design criteria presented is the exact same one that was presented at the last meeting, with some minor changes that we are going to incorporate. Should everything go as planned, the RFP will be released on Friday. After the RFP is released, there will be a mandatory pre-bid meeting on November 15<sup>th</sup>. The request for proposals are due back on January 17 that is when we will do the bid opening at noon. On the 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> a selection committee appointed by this council will hear all presentations by those members who have responded. They will have until January 31<sup>st</sup> to rank the finalist for this council. The council will have a very public and open workshop on February 6<sup>th</sup> to meet with the top three firms. The council will then select and approve a responsible respondent. Then the Mayor, Manager and Town Attorney will begin the negotiations of the contract. Then we will come back to you for final ratification and approval. Once it is ratified and approved, the process begins at 30%, 60%, 90% and 100% of the plans design. Through a phase permitting project, the Administration as well as the Council will provide feedback on each phase of the plans

to make sure they are consistent with what they committed to. This permit process will be done through a third party, we are using special inspectors since most of the Town inspectors are residential and this is more commercial. Hopefully we will break ground on this project in November. As it relates to the audit issues, due to our audit requirements with bondholders it is too late for 2019 to get a new auditing firm. However, committing that for the 2020 audit we will go out for an RFP for a new auditing firm. I can assure you that our fiscal house is in good order.

**Councilmember Mendal** inquired about the new clay tennis court.

**Town Manager** stated that it is in the list of amenities. If it can be achieved.

**Councilmember Mendal** stated that it does not seem like there is enough space for this.

**Town Manager** stated that they do feel they can get rid of parking in front of Town Hall and provide parallel parking similar to South Park to still receive the benefits of parking, but get the green space needed for new amenities.

**Vice Mayor Bernstein** stated that one of the things he wanted was to maximize green space.

**Town Manager** stated that we are asking the respondents to provide a site plan and to propose how it should be laid out. The final decision as to whether we install a clay court or not is up to the Council. Do not want us to lose sight of what the objective is. Stated we should ask for the amenities we want up front, because we can always go and eliminate but not add. This Council, five meetings ago authorized a new clay court on the north side of Town using new non-clay technology so the maintenance has actually diminished in costs.

**Councilmember Mendal** stated that he does not want to go out and say let us do it all because it might diminish what they get back.

**Councilmember Einstein** asked the Town Manager to elaborate more on the design draw schedule on the plans we receive

**Town Manager** stated we will make a selection, than the Council will authorize him and the Mayor negotiate a contract with the attorney. Than we will bring back the contact for ratification. The design then begins. There are thresholds for review at 30%, 60%, 90% and 100%. At like 60% the super structure, foundation, and civil work has already been approved. So just like today in Golden Beach you can start your foundation and civil work without your final plans being approved, we are going to allow phase permitting on this project. There is no reason we are holding back the civil work to be delayed because that has no correlation with the final plans for the building itself.

**Councilmember Einstein** asked what is the biggest item that will be determined when we do the phase permitting

**Resident Chris Masciatti**, stated at 30% you should have the footprint and once that is done its going to be a lot of engineering mechanical, electrical, plumbing. After that, it



really is not anything major you can change, you have box there and the bones are the bones. You can ask to move a generator somewhere else you may have to pay for rewiring but that is about it, the footprint is the footprint.

**Town Manager** asked if Mr. Masciatti agrees that a project that is done through phase permitting is responsible and seems to be the industry's norm now.

**Mr. Masciatti** stated yes, because if you have to wait until you have a finalized permit, then you cannot start doing anything, so it will really hinder your construction project. You definitely want to phase it out start doing the pieces because you can always work out what's going to go inside.

**Town Manager** put into record, that all the members of the BRAB and some selected residents, Mr. Masciatti being one of them, were given the design criteria and asked to critique it. Mr. Masciatti took time out to critique page by page. Would like to thank him publicly for his service. He has also agreed to be part of our review team on a moving forward basis, and at 30%, 60%, and 90% he has agreed to be part of our consulting team that will help us review.

**Vice Mayor Bernstein** asked for clarification.

**Town Attorney** stated that in the architectural phase you are going to understand exactly what you are going to get. Once that is done, these other trades all follow. They are going to design the electrical, mechanical, and plumbing to the parameters you have specified.

**Resident Gisela Addis, 180 South Island Drive** asked what are the requirements for the amenities that they will be sending out

**Town Manager** stated the design criteria package is online, but in terms of basics we are asking for relocation of our existing volleyball court, basketball court, the addition of a clay court, a new dog park, to renovate this facility to have a gym, play room, party room, and a party terrace in the new facility. There will be an indoor enclosed AC space equivalent to the size of the beach pavilion that you can have parties at, and if you wish to go out the terrace outside you can hold another 300 people.

## **P. TOWN RESOLUTIONS**

### **4. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing Negotiations for the Financing of the Civic Center Complex Masterplan with City National Bank.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE FINANCING OF THE CIVIC CENTER COMPLEX MASTERPLAN BETWEEN THE TOWN AND CITY NATIONAL BANK; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Report No. 4  
Resolution No. 2651.19

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2651.19

A motion to approve was made by Vice Mayor Bernstein, seconded by Councilmember Mendal.

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 Jaime Mendal	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	<u>Aye</u>

The motion passed.

**Town Manager** stated that this summer Mayor Singer and he met with six individual banks; the top three presented their best and final proposals. Based on terms and rates today, City National Bank came back with the most responsible term and loan. It is a 4-million dollar note on a draw schedule that we decide with an interest only during the construction period, it goes to a fixed rate of 2.67%. As a reminder we are using \$2-million in forfeited funds that we currently do not have in our hands to pay \$2-million dollars of that 4-million dollar loan, and we have 1.2-million dollars of our own money to make the \$5.2-million budget that we have for this project. There is more than enough non ad-valorem revenues to guarantee that note for ten years.

**Councilmember Einstein** asked the manager to walk him through the fine print that states we are taking out 1-million dollars.

**Town Manger** stated that we will need to take 1-million dollars out of our current depositor. What he is proposing is the Town take all of the builder bond money, which is about 1-million dollars and put that into that account.

**Councilmember Einstein** asked when we put the 1-million dollars in that account is it going to be an interest-baring account.

**Town Manager** stated that those things would have to be negotiated, but he guarantees them that they are. Until we can determine whether we are going to end our existing banking relationship with Northern Trust, we can easily move 1-million dollars out of our builder bond money into that account, meet that criteria, and evaluate on a moving forward basis if they want to maintain that relationship. We still maintain Northern Trust, SPA, and move the builder bond and have no problem.

**Mayor Singer** stated that they spoke to each bank and they all did a great job. Liked City National because they deal with a lot of cities and have a lot of experience.

**Town Manager** stated that two days prior to the final contract, they set the final rate. The goal is to get this to close relatively quickly. Going to try to lock this in within the next 30 to 45 days, bring it to Council for immediate action, and may do an initial draw to lock the rate in.

**Councilmember Lusskin** asked if this vote is to negotiate

**Town Manager** stated this vote is to authorize that we enter into a final negotiation to bring to you a contract with City National Bank for terms and rates indicative to the term sheets provided for you tonight

**Councilmember Mendal** stated he does not like that we do not have an actual number

**Town Manager** stated that none of the banks give you an actual number, they are all indicative rates until you are closing.

**Councilmember Mendal** stated he would have liked to see the break down of all the banks so that he can compare apples to apples

**Town Manger** stated for peace of mind, if the rate comes back higher than one of the other two banks, they can deny that contract.

**Councilmember Mendal** asked if they could negotiate with more than one bank.

**Town Manager** stated that they could only negotiate with City National Bank, if this is agreed to.

**Mayor Singer** stated his concern was the banks familiarity with dealing with government institutions, City National Bank did major city financing regionally

**Town Manager** stated that this actually helps the Town with having funds in different depositories.

**Mayor Singer** stated that every bank we dealt with wanted a depository relationship.

**Resident Ronnie Bianco, 448 Golden Beach Drive** asked about the operating costs and making sure that we can maintain this moving forward.

**Town Manager** stated that they have looked at these things, but all of these amenities will require minimal operating costs. Yes, there will be some increases, but we have purposely put in our own reserves knowing that we are going to build a new civic center complex. Trying to design something that we can afford without raising taxes or raising the millage rate. Not pledging a single tax dollar to this program, all of the revenues are coming from ad valorem dollars.

**Mayor Singer** stated that they have looked at everything. We feel confident based off our projections that we are sufficient and we can afford this.

**Town Manager** stated that he welcomes having a one-on-one meeting with her to go over the different aspects of the project and to receive her feedback on how the project

will move forward. Stated that we will add a section to the website that is dedicated to the civic center.

**Mrs. Bianco** recommended maybe they put a flyer in everyone's mailbox letting them know to go to the website for this information.

**5. A Resolution of the Town Council Appointing Members To the Security and Public Safety Advisory Committee.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA; APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH SECURITY AND PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Report No. 5  
Resolution No. 2652.19

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2652.19

A motion to approve was made by Vice Mayor Bernstein, 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 Jaime Mendal	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	<u>Aye</u>

The motion passed.

**Town Manager** stated that on the dais was a memo from Resident Services Director Michael Glidden concerning the Town's current committees and how they are staffed. Stated that tonight only two committee's members are being appointed and will look to either abolish committees or develop new committees.

**6. A Resolution of the Town Council Appointing Members To the Building Regulation Advisory Board.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA; APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH BUILDING REGULATION ADVISORY BOARD PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Report No. 6  
Resolution No. 2653.19

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2653.19

A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Luskin, seconded by Vice Mayor Bernstein.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Kenneth Bernstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Judy Luskin	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Jaime Mendal	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Bernard Einstein	<u>Aye</u>

The motion passed.

**Town Manager** stated that they are breaking their own rules to allow for three alternates rather than two for more opportunities for quorum because we need to be able to have bodies.

**Vice Mayor Bernstein** asked if instead of having them as alternates, can we just make them members but only require quorum of a certain amount of people.

**Town Manager** stated we could do that as part of our clean up, but for tonight let's just do this. He likes that suggestion and the attorney wrote it down so we can definitely look at that.

## **P. DISCUSSION & DIRECTION TO TOWN MANAGER**

Mayor Glenn Singer:  
None Requested

Vice Mayor Kenneth Bernstein:  
None Requested

Councilmember Judy Luskin:  
None Requested

Councilmember Jaime Mendal:  
None Requested

Councilmember Bernard Einstein:  
• Docks and Seawalls

Change the ordinance to modify the length of the deck so that there is not a step down and it is leveled.

Town Manager Alexander Diaz

- Craig A. Smith High Tide Evaluation Report

**Town Manager** stated that our stormwater system functions, and it functions well. We have reevaluated all of the system, there is a minor repair that is needed in the north part of Town that is under the managers financial threshold so he is going to authorize that repair and that should alleviate the flooding we are seeing on the north end of Town. The flooding we are seeing at South Parkway has nothing to do with the system, it is all flooding based on tidal surge coming up from the ground and flooding our streets. Stormwater system has its own budget and funds itself. The pump station here at Town Hall functions well, but we are going to change the way it functions to alleviate some of the load on the other pumps. The flooding issues in Town – we see issues, we address them, it takes time to put together responsible approaches to fixing the issues. We hire engineers to provide reports so that we can adequately address it. A lot of the water you are seeing in Town is actually coming up through the ground independent of the seawall. Reminded everyone that your code today requires you on an annual basis to take elevation of your property and if it does not meet the elevation, to bring in fill and fill your elevation. Publicly put the Town on notice that on properties where we see ground water coming up and we believe it is an elevation issue we will require those homes to bring in fill and bring up their homes elevation.

**Mayor Singer** reminded everyone that the next council meeting is November 19, 2019.

**Q. ADJOURNMENT:**

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A motion to adjourn the Council Meeting was made by Mayor Singer seconded by Vice Mayor Bernstein.

Consensus vote 5 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion passes.

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lissette Perez*  
Lissette Perez  
Town Clerk