



# TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

One Golden Beach Drive  
Golden Beach, FL 33160

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Official Agenda for the April 7, 2020  
Special Town Council Meeting Conference Call called for 5:00 P.M.

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**Zoom Room Meeting ID: 404 424 539 Password: 026935**

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## A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Singer called the meeting to order 5:05 p.m.

## B. ROLL CALL

**Councilmember's Present:** Mayor Glenn Singer, Vice Mayor Kenneth Bernstein, Councilmember Judy Lusskin, Councilmember Jaime Mendal, 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, Lieutenant Yovany Diaz, Building & Zoning Director Linda Epperson, Resident Services Director Michael Glidden, Public Works Director Kirk McKoy

## C. MAYOR'S REPORT

Update on Emergency Declaration and Stay At Home Order  
Stated that his heart and soul goes out to all of the first responders, who are working non-stop for us day and night. We have to show them our love, support; respect and do are part by staying home. Stated on behalf of the Town Council and residents we appreciate the Golden Beach Police Department, Public Works, and Town Employees and how hard they are working at this time. Thanked the Town Manager for his dedication and hard work. Stated that the safer at home order remains in effect. The cases in Miami-Dade County continue to rise. We are continuing to enforce the stay at home order. Our parks and beach will remain closed, and our 10:00 P.M. curfew will be strictly enforced. When residents are out, biking, or walking their dog he strongly urged them to wear a mask as per the President, Sergeant General and Governor. He is extremely surprised with all of the trash he is seen in the swales. Please clean up after yourselves and respect your neighbors. He has been asked every day when do we think this will end; we have to abide by our emergency declaration ensuring social distancing in doing so, we shall overcome this pandemic. After talking to state, local, and federal official's which the Town Manger and him do at least several times a day, we are in this till at least the end of April. Please hang in there and we will be able to gather, celebrate, party, and live our lives once again soon. We have to work together, so please follow the Golden Beach Policy.

## D. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

## Town Operations and Affairs of the Town

Expressed to the residents that they should be proud of their staff that have been working around the clock to make sure that we keep Golden Beach safe during this pandemic. It has not been an easy task, a lot of our residents have a lot of concerns, their very worried, and there is a lot of misinformation out in the community. We have done our best to try to put information out. We will be giving the next COVID-19 update on Friday. Via Mr. Glidden through our website, constant contact, and our police by delivering it home to home. There are currently two censuses going on in Golden Beach. Our resident census and the US census. Asked all our residents to make sure they fill out the US census and reminded them how important it is for our federal government to know exactly how many residents live in Golden Beach for times when we apply for Federal dollars or assistance from FEMA. He is pleased and proud to see our officers patrolling our community and keeping us safe in town and in the water at night. Our officers are in the water at night and they are seeing more non-motorized vessels in the water and we are monitoring them. As the Mayor mentioned a little bit unhappy to see that the residents aren't keeping the community clean, but he is very proud of the work our public works staff has been doing by coming in three times a week to keep the community clean. Speaking to the residents, he understands that with the holiday tomorrow evening it is a very important tradition for families to gather and encouraged our families to get together just like how we are today through Zoom. Stated that we will not allow visitors to come to Golden Beach. Will be setting up our curfew in Golden Beach at 6 p.m. during Passover to ensure that people are not trying to sneak into our community to have Passover dinner. We all need to do our part. Do not come to Golden Beach. You cannot invite guests to come to Golden Beach to use your pool because community pools are closed. Are home pools are also closed; you cannot invite guests to come enjoy your pool. Our police will turn them away. Unless you live in Golden Beach, you cannot come into Golden Beach. All of your staff members have been working with him daily to meet all of our needs and we are ready to meet all the challenges ahead. If anything comes up please feel free to call him directly on his cellphone. The Town is working on trying to help our residents to find ways to get masks and make masks. If you go to our website, there is a video that will show you how to make a mask. If it is a dire situation please call the substation and we will get you at least a few masks for your special needs kids or special needs adults. Please try to stay home as often as you can. Enjoy your community and stay safe. Expressed how proud he is of the Towns Senior staff for the work that they do to make us look good.

## **E. CORONAVIRUS UPDATE**

At least for the next two weeks, if not three weeks we will be working remotely. Town is working on getting masks for the community. There are five confirmed cases in Golden Beach it could all be at the same house it can be at different houses; we do not have their locations. We are discouraging our residents from trying to find the Corona patient. We are allowing all deliveries of food and deliveries in small vehicles. All emergency repairs are allowed. Not allowed are pet groomers or handymen. All construction sites continue to be closed. The Governor issued a statewide stay at home order until the end of the month. Reminded residents to please monitor our website for all updated and current information.

## **F. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Vice Mayor Einstein**

Bicycles are not keeping their distance. Not sure if there is anything we can do about that. Believes the Town is doing their part in locking it down and trying to run a tight shift. Thanked the Town Manager and Mayor for all their work.

**Councilmember Bernstein**

Thanked the Mayor, Town Manager and staff for such an amazing job. Everyone doing a great job. Gave his thoughts and prayers to everyone.

**Councilmember Mendal**

Everyone is doing an incredible job.

**Councilmember Lusskin**

Thanked the Mayor and Town Manager for all of their hard work. Proud of the residents calling each other and being supportive and seeing if anyone needs anything. Wished everyone good health.

**G. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT**

Stated that because of all the municipalities they represent, we are all over this and have been before anyone else. From his perspective, dealing with small municipalities on a daily basis, you guys are running a very tight ship and should be very proud.

**Town Manager** stated that the Town started the mosquito spraying. We will be doing a second spray next week on Monday. In your home please try to keep your standing water clear. As a reminder the ocean is closed, you cannot go fishing or walking.

**H. GOOD AND WELFARE**

None

**I. CONSENT AGENDA**

**1. A Resolution of the Town Council Approving the Interlocal Agreement between the Town and Miami-Dade County.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF CIVIL PENALTIES FOR CODE VIOLATIONS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**Exhibit:** Agenda Report No. 1  
Resolution No. 2675.20

**Sponsor:** Town Administration

**Recommendation:** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2675.20

Consensus vote 5 Ayes, 0 Nays. Item I1 passes.

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

Town Manager stated that every Thursday Mayor and him will meet to come up with a game plan for the following week. We will notify residents on Friday of any updates. The next council meeting will not be until April 28<sup>th</sup> or 29<sup>th</sup>. Reminded council that nothing is black and white, we can make accommodations for our residents on a case-by-case basis so please call him. Thanked the Town Council and staff.

**Councilmember Mendal** asked if they could start understanding what the financial implications are of all this.

**Town Manager** stated that he and Maria already started next year's budget last week. The Town is putting in all of the internal controls. All discretionary spending has been cancelled. The Town did receive our IRMA money from FEMA finally, but we are concerned about the revenue we are losing with our building department being closed. He is as concerned as Councilmember Mendal is.

## **K. ADJOURNMENT:**

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A motion to adjourn the Council Meeting was made by Mayor Singer seconded by Councilmember Lusskin.

Consensus vote 5 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion passes.

The meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lissette Perez*  
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Town Clerk