



TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

One Golden Beach Drive
Golden Beach, FL 33160

Official Agenda for the August 18, 2020
Special Town Council Zoom Virtual Meeting called for 5:00 P.M.

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A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Singer called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

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

Staff Present: Town Manager Alexander Diaz, Town Attorney Steve Helfman, Town Clerk Lissette Perez, Finance Director Maria D. Camacho, Police Chief Rudy Herbello, Building Director Linda Epperson, Resident Services Director Michael Glidden, Public Works Director Kirk McKoy, Facilities Maintenance Director Ken Jones

C. PRESENTATIONS / TOWN PROCLAMATIONS

None

D. MOTION TO SET THE AGENDA

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

Town Manager stated an email was sent out with the attachments for the item related to the millage rate that needs to be included on to the agenda

E. GOOD AND WELFARE

None

F. MAYOR'S REPORT

Stated we are still in the mist of COVID-19, and urged everyone to continue social distancing and wearing their masks. We are not out of the woods yet and will not be until everyone does what is being asked. We are back to school. He believes most of

the schools are doing virtual which means everyone is home so please be careful when driving. We will be approving the millage rate this evening, 8.4 millage is what is proposed. This is the sixth year in a row that there is no increase to the Town's millage rate. Hats off to the Town Manager, Finance Director, and the Town staff. His condolences to Officer Oscar Santana, he was a long time dedicated employee, he will be missed.

G. CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

Town Manager congratulated the community on working with us in keeping the Town safe. He knows a lot of the residents are going to Channel 10 and looking at their data base that indicates that we have 128-130 cases in Town, we do not. That figure takes into account some parts of Aventura, Golden Gates, and Hallandale Beach. In Town, we have 30 cases confirmed by the Department of Health. We will be conducting a second resident testing the second week of September. Another thing that has affected the Town as it relates to COVID-19 is our mail delivery services. We have seen a slowdown of our mail delivery services, because a number of employees at USPS are not being allowed to work overtime to meet our needs. A new initiative that we launched recently in Town is if you have mail and if you wish, you can drop it off at Town Hall. You pull up to Town Hall, give us a call, we will go out with a basket, you put your mail in there, and we will securely keep it and take it to the post office on your behalf. We extremely encourage all residents to keep in mind that there are no gatherings of groups of 10 or more. Basketball courts will not reopen until the construction of the civic center. Will be breaking ground on that project in October. Will be receiving another goodie bag in the next couple of weeks. If you need any supplies, let the Town know. We will be providing a 100-gallon drum with hand sanitizer that you can refill your own personal bottle that will be at the Beach Pavilion. As schools begin to open and recreational activities become more important to our residents, the Resident Services Department will be coming up with some fun virtual activities such as virtual yoga.

H. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Lusskin

Condolences about the passing of Officer Oscar Santana. Asked if the Manager can give an update on the pump station bids. Did get a few phone calls about the mail not coming through. Wishes everyone a happy, healthy life through coronavirus.

Councilmember Bernstein

Condolences to Officer Santana and his family, he is sending out his prayers, feels the town lost a family member.

Councilmember Mendal

Condolences to Officer Santana and the Golden Beach Police Department. Thanked the Administration, Alex and the Mayor for the COVID testing. He has gotten a lot of calls from residents that are very appreciative and hopes that we continue this through the duration of the coronavirus.

Vice Mayor Einstein

Condolences to Officer Santana. Heard that Rabi Birkin's wife from Aventura temple is going to be doing the ceremony on behalf of the Democrat party. He believes it is on Thursday, and whether you are a Democrat or Republican, she is from Aventura and he thinks it's something nice to have the community show up.

I. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Town will be assisting Officer Santana’s family with the funeral arrangements. First budget hearing is scheduled for September 8th at 7 p.m. and the second budget hearing is scheduled for September 22nd at 7 p.m. Both meetings will be virtual. There will be two business meetings in September as well. On September 8th the business meeting will be held at 6 p.m. and if a second business meeting is needed it will be on September 22nd, it will follow the budget hearing meeting. The budget numbers have been released, they are on the website. Budget books will be delivered by the 28th of this month. Condolences again to Officer Santana and his family.

J. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

None

K. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

None

L. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

None

M. QUASI JUDICIAL RESOLUTIONS

1. A Resolution of the Town Council Approving A Variance Request for 477 Ocean Boulevard to Permit The Installation of Pool Equipment.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A VARIANCE REQUEST FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 477 OCEAN BOULEVARD, GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA 33160 TO PERMIT THE POOL EQUIPMENT TO BE INSTALLED IN THE SOUTH SIDE YARD 6 FEET FROM THE PROPERTY LINE INSTEAD OF THE 10 FOOT SETBACK REQUIRED BY THE CODE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 1
Resolution No. 2682.20

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2682.20

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

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer	<u>Aye</u>
Vice Mayor Bernard Einstein	<u>Aye</u>
Councilmember Judy Lusskin	<u>Aye</u>

Councilmember Jaime Mendal Aye
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein Aye

The motion passed.

Town Manager spoke on the item stating that this is a life-long resident of Golden Beach. The neighbor on the south does not object to the placement of the pool equipment here. If this property was to ever change hands and the owner remodels or knocks down the property, this variance will not run with the property. It only runs with this particular property owner. The Administration is in favor of this item. We are excited to see the improvement.

N. CIVIC CENTER COMPLEX MASTERPLAN UPDATE

- Design Plans at 30% Completion

Town Manager spoke on the item. The staff and consultants are currently working on some comments and revisions to the 30% plans. Any feedback the Council has he would appreciate it. Know that we have done all the survey work on the property. We are looking to break ground in October. In next year's budget, there is a \$50,000 allocation for the area underneath the building. We are still going to be working with Councilmember Bernstein and the Council to come up with a solution to the parking area. It is too early in the design to focus on that area, but the project is moving along in a very timely manner.

Councilmember Mendal stated that he did not see anything in the agenda about the 30% completion.

Town Manager stated he is sorry and the Town Clerk will get that out to the Council right away.

O. CONSENT AGENDA

- 2. Official Minutes of the June 16, 2020 Special Town Council Zoom Virtual Meeting**
- 3. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing a Joint Project Agreement with FDOT for Turf and Landscape Maintenance.**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING A JOINT PROJECT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR TURF AND LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL ACTION NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 3
 Resolution No. 2683.20

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2683.20

4. A Resolution of the Town Council Approving the Renewal Agreements for Dental and Vision Insurance.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, RENEWING THE AGREEMENTS FOR A DENTAL INSURANCE AND A VISION INSURANCE PLAN FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH EMPLOYEES AND ELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 4
Resolution No. 2684.20

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2684.20

5. A Resolution of the Town Council Approving an Interlocal Agreement for Federally-Funded Subaward with Miami-Dade County for the Reimbursement of Expenses Incurred due to COVID-19, Pursuant to the CARES Act.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR FEDERALLY-FUNDED SUBAWARD WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES INCURRED DUE TO THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) PURSUANT TO THE CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY (CARES) ACT; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 5
Resolution No. 2685.20

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2685.20

6. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Payment of \$2,500.00 to the Alonzo and Tracy Mourning PTSA.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING

THE PAYMENT OF \$2,500 TO THE ALONZO AND TRACY MOURNING PTSA; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 6
Resolution No. 2686.20

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2686.20

7. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Purchase of Two Yamaha Marine Motors for the Town's Marine Patrol Vessel.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO YAMAHA MARINE MOTORS FOR THE TOWN'S MARINE PATROL VESSEL; AUTHORIZING THE USE OF GENERAL FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF THE EQUIPMENT; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 7
Resolution No. 2687.20

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2687.20

Consensus vote 5 Ayes, ___ Nays. Items O2 – O7 pass.

P. TOWN RESOLUTIONS

8. A Resolution of the Town Council Ratifying the Maximum Proposed Millage Rate for F/Y 2020-2021.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, RATIFYING THE MAXIMUM PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE FOR F/Y 2020-2021 THAT WAS TRANSMITTED TO THE PROPERTY APPRAISER OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF FLORIDA STATUTES AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 8
Resolution No. 2688.20

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2688.20

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

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

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

The motion passed.

Town Manager spoke on the item. In putting together this year's budget we had to take a couple of things into consideration. One, the global pandemic and all of the cost factors we have acquired as part of our Capital Improvement Programs. We are doing a couple of creative things this year. Because our debt service fund balance has a balance over \$800,000 we are allocating \$200,000 of that fund balance for our debt service needs. We are then taking the debt service millage rate, and decreasing it to only generate \$700,000 and moving that money into our operating expenses. What that will do is something we weren't anticipating. We were pledging \$1.2 million dollars of our fund balance numbers for our capital improvement program. What he and the directors have been able to do is allocate in this year's budget and in next year's budget that \$1.2 million for our capital improvement. Allowing us not to need to use the fund balance for those programs. That is a great thing for Golden Beach. It will allow us to increase our fund balance and keep a secured fund balance of over \$2 million. In order to do that and be responsible we did something unique. In an email yesterday you received this year's budget and the anticipated budget for the 2022 fiscal year. What we are recommending is that over the course of the next three years, that you allow us to manipulate the Town's millage rate to meet our revenue needs, so that we can allocate the revenues for both our General Fund and our Debt Service Fund. We also put in some austerity measures and had some positions in the Town frozen or eliminated. We are recommending that only on a temporary basis. After the 2022 budget year, we will be asking for those positions to be allowed to be refilled. By allowing us to keep those positions vacant over the course of the next two years, we will be able to generalize some savings. He is recommending tonight that you adopt a General fund millage rate of 7.772 for the purposes of announcing it through the Trim process and a debt service millage rate of .628. After we set the millage rate tonight, we can only lower it and not raise it. In the interest of full transparency, next year I intend to pledge another \$500,000 of our Debt Service Fund, fund balance and manipulate the millage rates again to still have an 8.4-millage rate but to allow us to generate more money in the general fund for those capital projects. This combined millage rate of 8.4 is fair, it is tested and, it is a conservative approach. The only factor that has not been decided is our renewal insurance rates. However, he and the Mayor agree that because they increased their contingency fund by an additional x number of dollars, once we negotiate with whoever our insurance carrier will be we can allocate the reserve that we put in our contingency to meet our insurance needs for our employees. Strongly urged the Council and residents to start looking at the numbers.

Q. DISCUSSION & DIRECTION TO TOWN MANAGER

Mayor Glenn Singer:
None Requested

Vice Mayor Bernard Einstein:
None Requested

Councilmember Judy Lusskin:
None Requested

Councilmember Jaime Mendal:
None Requested

Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein:
None Requested

Town Manager Alexander Diaz

- Mutual of Omaha Proposed Increase to AD&D Coverage
 - **** DIDN'T HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM. ****

Town Manager took a moment to speak about the budget process advising that he will meet one-on-one with each councilmember to go over the budget process. Will give a general synopsis of all of the operating expenses but will not go line by line as we have done in the past; it is not feasible with the zoom process. Feels that providing via the newsletter a budget summary gives residents a more inside look at what we are doing with the budget. Our intent is that we are going to go over each of the departments before the meeting and that we only discuss concerns during the meeting. Reminded all the residents and councilmembers that over the course of the next few weeks you will be seeing individuals coming door to door with census shirts and masks knocking on your door asking you to participate in the census. Stated that immediately following this meeting there is a City of North Miami Beach council meeting as it relates to water issues, strongly encouraged all residents and councilmembers to participate. He and the Resident Services Director will be representing the Town.

Mayor Singer thanked all the staff on their hard work for the budget.

R. ADJOURNMENT:

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

Consensus vote 5 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion passes.

The meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lissette Perez
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Town Clerk