REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Hoffman who moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 94

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GREATER MIAMI PORT AUTHORITY:

That the City Commission of the City of Miami, Florida, be and it is hereby, requested to appropriate the sum of One Thousand (\$1000.00) Dollars for the purpose of paying the salary of the Director of the Greater Miami Port Authority for the period of June 1, 1944 to June 30, 1944, both dates inclusive.

Mr. Montgomery seconded the motion for the adoption of this resolution and upon roll call same was passed and adopted by the following vote: Yeas: Messrs. Blake, Brooks, Curry, Hoffman, Montgomery and Price. Nays: None.

(NOTE: At this time Chairman Curry asked to be excused to meet another appointment and Vice Chairman Hoffman took the chair for the remainder of the meeting.)

Mr. Montgomery reported that on a recent trip to Washington, he, in company with Senator Pepper, had called on Mr. L. Welch Pogue, Chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Board, and Mr. Charles I. Stanton, Administrator of the Civil Aeronautics Administration, concerning the Virginia Key Project. In this connection Mr. Montgomery read a telegram he received from Senator Pepper. (See file for copy of telegram.)

Mr. Benson appeared before the Authority in behalf of the Civil Air Patrol in connection with an application for the use of the property on the West bend of the County Causeway as a parade ground for the Civil Air Patrol which matter had been referred to the City Attorney for an opinion as to whether the Port Authority has jurisdiction over this property. It was agreed that the Director, Col. Allin, be requested to confer with City Attorney Watson on this matter.

The bill of Pentland, Purvis, Keller and Milton for \$369.50 covering their investigation and preliminary report of Port Authority assets was presented. Mr. Blake moved that this bill be approved for payment which was seconded by Mr. Price. Upon roll call the motion was passed by the following vote: Yeas: Messrs. Blake, Brooks, Hoffman, Montgomery and Price. Nays: None.

A communication was received from Geo. E. Lockmona & Associate inquiring as to obtaining concession space for the construction of a sandwich and soft drink stand at the yacht docks. No action was taken.

Vice Chairman Hoffman, in behalf of the Authority, extended a welcome to Colonel B. C. Allin, who met with the Authority for the first time as Director. Mr. Hoffman expressed the hope that Col. Allin's efforts will be successful and assured him that he has the Authority's best wishes.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 P. M.

SPECIAL MEETING

JUNE 26, 1944

On June 26, 1944, the Greater Miami Port Authority met in special session in its offices in the Civic Center Building. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 o'clock, P. M., by Chairman A. B. Curry, and upon roll call the following members were found to be present: Messrs. Blake, Brooks, Chandler, Curry, Hoffman and Montgomery. Absent: Mr. Price. Also present: Col. B. C. Allin, Director.

Mr. Chandler stated that before the Authority considered the business at hand, he wishes to express his views as to an article which appeared in the June 25th issue of the Miami Herald. Mr. Chandler stated that he felt an injustice had been done Mr. Curry by the article and that he believed efforts should be made to settle differences by conferences with the interested parties rather than by criticizing one another.

DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES

Mr. Blake offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 95

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GREATER MIAMI PORT AUTHORITY:

That the Florida National Bank and Trust Company at Miami, The First National Bank of Miami, and the American National Bank of Miami be, and they are, hereby named as depositories for funds of the Greater Miami Port Authority.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was seconded by Mr. Hoffman, and upon roll call same was passed and adopted by the following vote: Yeas: Messrs. Blake, Brooks, Chandler, Curry, Hoffman, and Montgomery. Nays: None.

(NOTE: At this time Chairman Curry asked to be excused to keep another appointment, and Mr. Hoffman, Vice-Chairman, presided for the remainder of the session.)

MOTION BY MR. CHANDLER

Mr. Chandler made the following motion:

That there be held a conference between J. W. Watson, Jr., City Attorney, Carl T. Hoffman, J. M. Hoffman, and A. B. Curry, with Col. B. C. Allin, as an observer, such conference to be held for the purpose of procuring an interpretation of the Port Authority Act sufficient to produce a workable, acceptable plan of operations in detail for the Greater Miami Port Authority; that such conference be reported to the Port Authority at a meeting to be called for that purpose as soon as possible after the conference.

This motion was seconded by Mr. Brooks, and upon roll call same was passed by the following vote: Yeas: Messrs. Blake, Brooks, Chandler, Hoffman and Montgomery. Nays: None.

Col. Allin, Director, stated that letters had been prepared and addressed to the Navy advising that effective July 1, 1944, the Port Authority would render monthly invoices covering rentals on the yacht and dock properties under lease, instead of such invoices being rendered by the City of Miami, and that effective July 1, 1944, vouchers for the payment of such invoices should be made payable to the Greater Miami Port Authority. He advised that he is withholding the mailing of these letters pending further action by the Authority.

Col. Allin stated that the City Clerk's office had delivered to the Secretary under receipt the executed leases between the Navy and the City as well as certain other leases covering yacht and dock properties and that these leases are now on file in the Port Authority office.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 o'clock, P. M.

ATTEST:

SPECIAL MEETING

JUNE 28, 1944

On June 28, 1944, the Greater Miami Port Authority met in special session in its offices in the Civic Center Building. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 o'clock, P. M. by Chairman A. B. Curry, and upon roll call the following members were found to be present: Messrs. Blake, Brooks, Chandler, Curry, Hoffman and Montgomery.

Absent: Mr. Price. Also present: Col. B. C. Allin, Director, and Mr. Carl T. Hoffman, Attorney.

Mr. J. M. Hoffman reported that pursuant to a motion passed at the special meeting of June 26, a conference was held with Mr. J. W. Watson, Jr., City Attorney, and Mr. Carl T. Hoffman. The matters discussed at the conference were the handling of Port Authority funds and the Civil Service status of employees. With reference to the handling of funds, the following memorandum was read:

"TO

Mr. A. B. Curry City Manager DATE June 23, 1944

FROM

A. E. Fuller Director of Finance SUBJECT Port Authority

"I have recently been advised of the intent of the Port Authority to provide, effective July 1, for a different procedure in the handling of revenues now under the jurisdiction of the Port Authority, than the procedure for handling other general fund revenues. As Section 27 of the City Charter provides: "Subject to the supervision and control of the City Manager, the Director of Finance shall have charge of the Department of Finance and the administration of the financial affairs of the City, including the keeping and supervision of all accounts . . . collection of . . revenues . . . the custody and disbursement of city funds . . . the control over expenditures . . . ," which is in conflict with certain provisions of House Bill No. 652, being the special legislative act creating the Greater Miami Port Authority.

"I deem it advisable to advise you of my understanding relating to the proposed handling of revenues and disbursements coming under the jurisdiction of the Port Authority.

Section 4 of the Legislative Act provides all revenues shall thereafter be collected by the Port Authority and shall be applied as provided in the Act.

Section 8 (h) provides the Authority may employ such employees as necessary in its judgment, and to fix their compensation. (k) provides the Authority shall have exclusive control of the revenues and expenditures subject to such restrictions as set forth in the Resolution or Trust Agreement securing Revenue Bonds.

Section 12, in the last paragraph, provides any unencumbered surplus of gross revenues remaining at the end of any fiscal year shall be paid into the treasury of the City of Miami, and further provides that their expenditure shall be authorized by appropriation by the City Commission in accordance with Section 29 of the Charter.