

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, HELD IN THE CITY HALL, 3RD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM, 100 NORTH U.S. #1, FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA AT 12:00 NOON ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2009.

Mayor Benton called the meeting to order.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Upon Roll Call, those present were: Mayor Robert J. Benton; Commissioners Rufus Alexander, Edward Becht, and Christine Coke; City Manager David Recor; City Attorney Robert Schwerer; and City Clerk Cassandra Steele. Those absent: Commissioner Reginald Sessions. (Commissioner Sessions arrived at 12:15 p.m.)

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City Clerk Steele said this is a Special Closed Meeting (Attorney-Client Session) pursuant to F.S. 286.011(8) at the request of the City Attorney to discuss settlement negotiations or strategy session related to litigation expenditures in connection with pending litigation - United States v. City Federal Lawsuit (Case No. 08-14309-CIV-Moore, Southern District).

Mayor Benton said they are having this special meeting to discuss this lawsuit and settling it. It should take about thirty minutes or less. The people attending are Commissioner Rufus Alexander, Commissioner Christine Coke, Commissioner Eddie Becht, himself, City Attorney Rob Schwerer, and City Manager David Recor.

City Clerk Steele said she will turn off the recorder and the Court Reporter will record the meeting.

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IN ACCORDANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTE 286.011(8), THE TRANSCRIPT SHALL BE MADE PART OF THE PUBLIC RECORD UPON CONCLUSION OF THE LITIGATION.

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Mayor Benton asked does that take care of everything?

City Attorney Schwerer said yes, if he has answered the Commission's questions, and hopefully he has. The Consent Decree will be on their next Agenda, on Monday night.

Commissioner Becht asked will it be a Consent Agenda item?

City Attorney Schwerer said yes.

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There being no further business, Mayor Benton declared the meeting adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

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Adjournment.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR COMMISSIONER