

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, HELD IN THE CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 100 NORTH U.S. #1, FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, AT 6:00 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2016.

**1. CALL TO ORDER** - Mayor Hudson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Hudson offered the opening prayer.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Linda Hudson; Commissioner Edward Becht; Commissioner Thomas Perona; Commissioner Reginald Sessions

Absent: Commissioner Rufus Alexander

Staff Present: City Clerk Linda Cox  
City Manager Nicholas Mimms  
City Attorney James Messer

Motion was made by Commissioner Thomas Perona, seconded by Commissioner Reginald Sessions to excuse Commissioner Alexander from the meeting.

AYE: Commissioner Edward Becht, Commissioner Thomas Perona, Commissioner Reginald Sessions, Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

Mayor Hudson stated that the purpose of this meeting is for the Commission to reconsider its options in regard to the incident on April 23, 2016.

**4. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS NOT REQUIRING PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Chris Williams  
Lashonda Henderson  
Reverend John Lee  
Mark Hadden  
Rick Reed

**5. CITY COMMISSION**

- a. Discussion regarding options for the investigation of the incident which occurred on April 23, 2016 involving the Fort Pierce Police Department.

Commission discussion included understanding what happens next and informing the Sheriff's office of the request. Commissioner Sessions stated he is proud of the community response since the incident and he expects the City Manager handle the internal concerns with the police department.

Motion was made by Commissioner Edward Becht, seconded by Commissioner Reginald Sessions to send a new letter to the Department of Justice asking them to intervene in the case of Demarcus Semer.

AYE: Commissioner Edward Becht, Commissioner Thomas Perona, Commissioner Reginald Sessions, Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

6. **ADJOURNMENT** - There being no further business, Mayor Hudson declared the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

ATTEST:

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MAYOR COMMISSIONER