

**SPECIAL  
CITY OF PALMETTO  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
July 15, 2015  
12:00 PM**

Elected Officials Present:

Shirley Groover Bryant, Mayor  
Brian Williams, Vice Mayor, Commissioner, Ward 3  
Tamara Cornwell, Commissioner-at-Large 2  
Jonathan Davis, Commissioner-at-Large 1  
Harold Smith, Commissioner, Ward 1

Elected Officials Absent:

Tambra Varnadore, Commissioner, Ward 2

Staff Present:

Mark Barnebey, City Attorney  
Jim Freeman, City Clerk  
Amber Foley, Assistant City Clerk

**THERE IS NO AUDIO FOR THIS MEETING**

Mayor Bryant called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

1. BP OIL SETTLEMENT

Attorney Barnebey explained that a settlement has been proposed by a panel overseeing the City's claim related to the BP oil spill from 2010. The amount of the proposed settlement is \$364,383.00 and first has to be accepted by the City and agreed to by BP. Both attorneys that have been overseeing the City's claim agree with the amount of the settlement and suggest it be adopted. As part of the settlement offer, certain documents must be signed and returned to process the claim as well as the adoption of a resolution. By signing the agreement it will end the litigation between BP and the City.

**Motion:            Commissioner Davis moved, Commissioner Williams seconded, and the motion carried 4-0 to adopt Resolution 2015-15.**

Attorney Barnebey stated that the decision on the payout is intended to be made by the end of the year if BP accepts. Also, there are no specific areas that the money has to be spent in.

Mayor Bryant asked for public comment.

After hearing no public comment, the meeting was adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

Minutes approved: August 24, 2015

*James R. Freeman*

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City Clerk