MINUTES

The City of Blountstown, County of Calhoun, State of Florida, met in Special Session Friday, January 27, 2017 at 5:00 P.M. at the City Council Meeting Room. The following members of the City Council present were: Mayor Tony Shoemake, Councilman Clifford Jackson, Councilman James Griffin, Councilwoman Janie Boyd, and Councilwoman Sheila Blackburn.

Also present were: City Manager Traci Hall, Police Chief Mark Mallory, and Public Works Director Jeremy Norris.

Also present was: Liz Parrish, Tony Arrant, Jim Anders, Kristy Terry, Adam Terry, Danny Ryals, Ashley Norris, Jeff Shivers, and Perry Erwin.

Mayor Shoemake called the Special Meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. Councilwoman Boyd led the Invocation. Mayor Shoemake led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The purpose of the Special Meeting was to discuss the sell and/or purchase of City property located at the corner of Hwy. 20 and Hwy. 71, also known as Chicken Corner.

Perry Erwin introduced himself to Council. Mr. Erwin is a Realtor that represents a group of investors that have presented Council with a purchase contract for $250,000 to purchase Chicken Corner. At this time, their intentions are to purchase Chicken Corner, NAPA Auto Parts, and the old Anders building properties. This group of investors have completed projects such as Zaxby's, O'Reilly Auto Parts, and Dollar General Stores, and they intend to use the property to construct fast food restaurants and some retail space. All buildings will cohabitate on the property space and have cohesive parking and drive thru spaces. The projects take approximately 1 year to complete. Prior to breaking ground, the project will be put together and will be built for a specific purpose.

Mr. Erwin introduced his business partner Jeff Shivers. Mr. Shivers spoke with Council about the most recent projects that have been completed. Two of their most recent projects are the Dollar Tree and Taco Bell that were constructed in Quincy.

After discussion, Mayor Shoemake requested a list of sellers that the City could contact. Mr. Shivers and Mr. Erwin advised that they could provide a list of sellers, as well as a list of localities that they have worked with recently. Once staff has checked the references, the information will be brought back to the Council.

Jim Anders spoke in favor of the City selling this property. If the City's property can be purchased, then Mr. Anders property will be potentially purchased as well.

There being no further business, Councilman Griffin made the motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Boyd seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Mayor Shoemake adjourned the meeting at 5:33 P.M.

BY: Tony Shoemake
Tony Shoemake, Mayor

ATTEST: Traci S. Hall
Traci S. Hall, City Manager