SUMMARY OF MINUTES CALHOUN COUNTY COMMISSION NOVEMBER 23, 2016 (SPECIAL DATE)

Chairman Hodges called to order the regular meeting of the Calhoun County Commission and all Commissioners were present. County Engineer Brian Rosenbalm gave an invocation.

The Commissioners approved the payment of warrants issued, to-wit:

Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt the agenda followed by a second from Commissioner Wilson. All Commissioners voted in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Patterson to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and a vote of the Commissioners was unanimously in favor of the motion.

Commissioner Hudson made a motion to proceed with the abatement of a public nuisance, as recommended by Environmental Programs Manager Theo Smart, on property located at 0 West 14th Street, Anniston, owned by Annie F. Watson. The owner was notified of the meeting but was not present. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wilson and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (RESOLUTION IN FILE)

County Administrator Ken Joiner presented a resolution to authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with JMR+H Architecture, PC, to provide for the renovation of the Ken Joiner Administration Building and a feasibility study for the Calhoun County Jail. Commissioner Hess made a motion to adopt the resolution and Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

The 2017 Calhoun County Holiday Schedule, as presented by Mr. Joiner, was adopted by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. Commissioner Hudson made a motion to adopt the schedule and Commissioner Patterson seconded the motion. (SCHEDULE ATTACHED)

Commissioner Hudson made a motion to adopt a resolution that was presented by Mr. Joiner to extend the contract for employment with Stacey S. Johnson, as Nutritionist for the Calhoun County Jail, for an additional year, effective November 24, 2016. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hess and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners. (RESOLUTION ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Patterson to authorize the Chairman to sign an agreement, for and on behalf of Calhoun County, with the City of Jacksonville to provide for general maintenance and upkeep of Chief Ladiga Landing Park. Commissioner Hess seconded the motion and all Commissioners voted in favor of the motion. (AGREEMENT ATTACHED)

Roo White, with Whites Environmental Solutions, discussed the proposed composting facility planned in Ohatchee. She addressed some of the concerns of the public regarding the

technology, safety measures, and environmental issues. Janis Faulkner presented information regarding a similar facility in Oregon that had failed because of offensive odors. Community residents also speaking against the facility were Dennis Butler, Anita Isbell, Debra Thacker, Sharon Brock, Donald Weiss, Louise Reaves, Cheryl Mayfield, Steven Newell, Vida Newall, and others. Gerald Hardy, retired Chief of the ADEM Land Division, offered comments concerning the permitting process. He stated that ADEM is tasked to thoroughly evaluate the proposal to insure that the facility meets all criteria to preserve human health and the environment. He also stated that Calhoun County had done more than was required before approving the application, which only allows the process to move forward. A copy of ADEM regulations for composting facilities was made available for the public.

Dorothy Brown presented a petition to save an old iron bridge on Brown Bridge Road from being replaced with a new bridge. Hoyt Brown and Norris Fortenberry also spoke in favor of preserving the old bridge for historical reasons. Mr. Rosenbalm was asked to discuss this issue further with them after the meeting.

Commissioner Hess made a motion to adjourn the meeting followed by a second from Commissioner Wilson. The meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote of the Commissioners.

The next meeting was announced for Thursday, December 8, 2016, at 10:00 a.m.