STATE OF ALABAMA)
COUNTY OF BLOUNT)

CITY OF ONEONTA, ALABAMA, DECEMBER 3, 2015 WORK SESSION

The work session was held for the purpose of discussing the Oneonta City School.

The Mayor and City Council met in a work session on Thursday December 3, 2015 at the Oneonta City Hall to 6:00 p.m. Present at the work session were: Mayor Norris, Council members: Rogers, Gargus, Blackwood, McNair and Robinson. Also present were: City Manager, Ed Lowe, City Attorney, Alex Smith, Fire Chief Arthur Willis, Ricky Hicks, Michael Douglas, Don Maples, Jimmy Stewart, Patrick Adams, Rob Ric, Dean Calvert, Jon Head, Aimee Wilson, Richard Phillips, Lisa Wester, Karen Lowe, Barbara Anderson, Carl Frey and Tammie Noland, City Clerk.

Mayor Norris opened the work session.

The following items were discussed:

School Funding: Dr. Michael Douglas, Superintendent of the Oneonta City School expressed the position of the school requesting to be in the city's budget on a yearly basis. What the city could afford for school funding, alcohol tax revenue, sales tax, the one cent (.1) tax that was implemented in 1973 for the purpose of building the school, school general obligation warrants, out of district fees, state and local funding were discussed.

Discussion was held regarding Code compliance; meeting commercial requirements and 40/60 rule.

Dean Calvert, Blount County Commissioner spoke in support of "Moving Blount County Forward," and the need to purpose a one cent (.I) sales tax increase in the county.

Lowe asked the school board what their position was concerning the need to be another tax levied to support the school, discussion was had on this matter; and also, the possibility of earmarking any future additional tax revenue from the city or county to be designated to the school.

Getting ideas on where to start; zoning and planning commissions, public hearings, and an interested core group.

Mayor Norris requested the school board to submit another letter of request and stated that another meeting would be held on this matter.

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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CITY CLERK

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MAYOR