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RV park passes first hurdle for rezoning in Chiefland



Developer Hal Lyons speaks to the Chiefland City Commission. There is every indication that he plans to build a relatively nice RV resort, although he is not limited to only that by the rezoning.

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CHIEFLAND -- A developer from Bushnell found the four present members of the Chiefland City Commission agreeing Monday (Jan. 23) to provide a rezoning from R-1 to R-2 on slightly more than 57 acres in the general area of First Baptist Church of Chiefland and Harmony House Pregnancy Center.



City Commissioner Rollin Hudson and Mayor Betty Walker look relatively happy at one point during the meeting Monday night.

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At this moment, City Commissioner Donald Lawrence (left) and Vice Mayor Chris Jones are looking at information provided to them in regard to the rezoning application.

Hal Lyons, the developer who built the Blueberry Hill RV Resort in Bushnell, was approved for the rezoning. Acutally there are 11 different uses he could apply in the rezoning, but there is every indication that he plans to build an RV park.

Brad Smith of SRS Properties is another interested party, although Lyons and a real estate salesman from Smith's company were at the meeting.

Lyons had been considering developing land east of Walmart to make an RV park with another landowner, but that did not come to fruition.

The first hearing for the zoning change and related resolution passed after a motion to approve the rezoning was made by City Commissioner Donald Lawrence, seconded by Vice Mayor Chris Jones, and received positive votes from City Commissioner Rollin Hudson and Mayor Betty Walker.

Chiefland City Commissioner Teresa Barron was absent from the regular twice-a-month meeting on Jan. 23.

The second and final hearing to approve the rezoning will be in February, if all goes as planned.