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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On July 15, 2016, First Community Bancshares, Inc. (the “Company”) completed the previously announced branch exchange with First Bank, North Carolina, pursuant to which First Community Bank (the “Bank”) swapped a portion of its North Carolina branch network for First Bank’s Virginia branch network. Under the agreements, the Bank acquired seven branches in southwestern Virginia with deposits totaling approximately \$134 million and sold six branches in the Winston-Salem and Mooresville areas of North Carolina with deposits totaling approximately \$111 million. Additionally, the swap included approximately \$154 million of loans. The branch exchange complements the Bank’s 2014 acquisition of seven branches from Bank of America.

Forward-Looking Statements

This Current Report on Form 8-K contains forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on current expectations that involve risks, uncertainties, and assumptions. Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize or should underlying assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may differ materially. These risks include: changes in business or other market conditions; the timely development, production and acceptance of new products and services; the challenge of managing asset/liability levels; the management of credit risk and interest rate risk; the difficulty of keeping expense growth at modest levels while increasing revenues; and other risks detailed from time to time in the Company’s Securities and Exchange Commission reports, including but not limited to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the most recent year ended. Pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, the Company does not undertake to update forward-looking statements to reflect circumstances or events that occur after the date the forward-looking statements are made.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FIRST COMMUNITY
BANCSHARES, INC.

Date: July 19, 2016 By: /s/ David D. Brown

David D. Brown
Chief Financial Officer

