

MAY 8, 2020

A Special Called meeting was held by video conference at the M.S. Bailey Center at 7:30 AM with Mayor Bob McLean presiding with Councilmembers Jenkins, Kuykendall, Neal, Roth and Walsh. The City Manager and the City Attorney were present. No local news media was present. Notice of the meeting and an invitation to join the meeting was sent to all local news media on Wednesday, May 6, 2020.

INVOCATION The invocation was given by Councilmember Kuykendall.

**REAL ESTATE
PURCHASE OPTION
AGREEMENT** Mayor McLean stated that the first item on the agenda is to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Real Estate Purchase Option Agreement with Clinton Rentals LLC regarding property for a new Clinton branch of the Laurens County Public Library. Councilmember Jenkins asked if 1.277 acres would be enough to house a library and Mayor McLean stated yes. Councilmember Jenkins stated that she does not have a problem purchasing the land for the library but she does have a concern that this project is being presented to Council for vote at the last minute. Mayor McLean stated that at the February 3, 2020 Council meeting Council voted to support the Laurens County Library Board with a selection of the City's property. Mayor McLean stated that the Laurens County Library Board chose the property and the City would pay for the property. Councilmember Jenkins stated that a Laurens County Library Board member told her the Board did not chose the property. Councilmember Jenkins stated that according to the contract the City would pay \$1,000 to hold the property until December 2020. Mr. Wham, City Attorney, stated that an end date was needed for the contract and he chose December 31, 2020 because a decision would be made about the referendum by then. Motion was made by Councilmember Kuykendall to authorize the City Manage to enter into the Purchase Option Agreement and seconded by Councilmember Neal. The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURN With there no further business before Council motion was made by Councilmember Jenkins to adjourn and seconded by Councilmember Neal. The vote was unanimous.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

