

A SPECIAL MEETING OF BAMBERG CITY COUNCIL ON THURSDAY, JULY 22, 2020, AT 5:15 P.M. AT CITY HALL. MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Nancy Foster. COUNCILPERSONS: Leslie Hayes (Via Telephone), Bobbi Bunch, Willie Staley and Rosetta Draper. CLERK: Robin Chavis. VISITOR: Sarah Sandifer and Sally Bair. Not Present: Councilperson Bridget Kinard.

Mayor Foster called the meeting to order and Councilperson Staley gave the invocation.

Councilperson Bridget Kinard was not present.

Mayor Foster asked for a Motion to approve Ordinance 2020-05 of the City of Bamberg, South Carolina Authorizing the Lease of Certain Real Property Owned by the City of Bamberg to Bamberg County, South Carolina; The Execution and Delivery of Any and All Other Documents or Instruments Necessary to Effect the Lease; and Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilperson Draper Made the Motion to approve Ordinance 2020-05. Councilperson Bunch made the Second.

Mayor Foster explained that this Ordinance is in connection with the Caboose project that the City and County have partnered on to bring the Caboose to the Railroad Berm in Bamberg. The County wrote the \$25,000 grant that was awarded to the City by the South Carolina Municipal Association. The County of Bamberg will have to Lease the Railroad Berm property, which is owned by the City, to relocate the Caboose which will be restored and will serve as a museum. Mayor Foster explained that the Railroad Berm is from the 1830's and built for the first steam engine (The Best Friend) to travel on. Mayor Foster further explained that this Lease would be like the Lease the City did for the Veteran's Memorial where we lease the property to them. Councilperson Bunch asked if the City was giving \$25,000 to the County for the project. Mayor Foster explained that this is a grant that was awarded to the City and not funds that come out of our budget.

Clerk Chavis called Council's attention to the attached plat which showed the proposed location of the Caboose. Mayor Foster said that she felt it would be really nice and a good project for the community. Mayor Foster also stated that the Historical Society would be donating a historical marker once the project is complete. All approved. The Motion carried.

Mayor Foster asked if there were any announcements.

Councilperson Bunch reminded everyone that the Old Friends Scholarship Tournament was this week. Mayor Foster asked the press to remind everyone that the City did agree to comply with the mask ordinance.

Mayor Foster complimented the newspaper on how good it looked this week. Councilperson Bunch said the businesses are enforcing the mask ordinances.

There were no questions from the press or audience.

Mayor Foster asked for a Motion to adjourn. Councilperson Bunch made the Motion to adjourn. Councilperson Staley made the second. All approved. The Motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:26 p.m.

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Clerk

  
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