



Gino Bueno

MINUTES

Tuesday, July 21, 2020
6:30 PM.

Journagan Family Community Room
Howard L. Brown Public Safety Building
1100 SW Smith Street, Blue Springs, MO 64015

Attendance:

Gino Bueno – Vice Chairman
Courtney McGinnis-Commissioner
Shawna Squire – Commissioner
Susan Culpepper – City Councilmember
Deputy Chief Edwards – Staff Liaison
Jenna Herring – Staff Liaison

Absent:

Vacant – Chairman
Leslie Gleason – Commissioner
Jonas Hughes-Commissioner
Lucas Taylor-Commissioner
Quin Evans – Student Rep (BSHS)
Natalie Tran-Student Rep (BSSHS)

Approve February Meeting Minutes – Minutes reviewed. No motion was made to approve the minutes due to lack of quorum.

New Members and Visitors

1. Mayor Carson Ross
2. New Liaison City Councilmember Susan Culpepper
3. Tamera Bueno

Due to lack of quorum, only two agenda items were discussed:

New Business: #4 Discuss purpose and limitations of HRC with Mayor Ross – Mayor Ross thanked the Commissioner for volunteering their service. In regards to, defining the HRC purpose, he plans on appointing a special committee to assess the Human Relations Commission Ordinance (Chapter 120).

Commissions Boards, and Committees Article VIII Section 120.500, 120.520, 120.530). Commissioners addressed the following wants and concerns:

- Define purpose
- Identify HRC's community role
- Attendance disciplinary actions
- Increase number of meetings held
- Sunshine Law restrictions
- Supporting events/causes as an HRC member vs as a citizen
- Request for more community awareness from city leaders
- Proactive publications on city policy, including but not limited to, diversity and police procedures

New Business: #5 Discuss cancellation of July 7th Community Meeting- Mayor Ross discussed several factors that played a role in the cancellation of the Community Meeting:

- Blue Springs School District concerns about participating
- Complying with Jackson County Eastern County Recovery Plan
- Short public notice
- Ensuring agenda and forum questions are prepared and approved in a timely manner

Adjournment: At 7:48 p.m. there was no further business to discuss.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.