

**CITY OF BLUE SPRINGS, MISSOURI  
MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING  
MARCH 20, 2023**

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue Springs, Missouri, was held on Monday, March 20, 2023, 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Howard L. Brown Public Safety Building, 1100 SW Smith Street, Blue Springs, Missouri with Mayor Pro Tem Lievsay presiding.

**COUNCILMEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Jerry Kaylor  
Chris Lievsay  
Ron Fowler

Galen Ericson  
Kent Edmondson  
Susan Culpepper

Also present were City Administrator Mike Ekey, Deputy City Administrator Christine Cates, City Attorney Sarah Carnes, and City Clerk Sheryl Morgan.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM**

Mayor Pro Tem Lievsay called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and stated Mayor Ross was absent due to his upcoming wedding. Councilmember Edmondson led in the pledge of allegiance. The City Clerk confirmed a quorum of the Council was present.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Councilmember Edmondson moved to approve the Consent Agenda and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Kaylor.

- **Minutes of the March 6, 2023** City Council meeting
- **Resolution No. 13-2023** approving a purchase in the amount of \$62,376 from Custom Play Systems, Inc. for the purchase of Trash Cans, ADA Accessible Picnic Tables, and Picnic Tables
- **Liquor License Minit Mart #4338** located at 111 SE AA Highway Blue Springs, MO 64014, to sell intoxicating liquors in the original package, for consumption off premises, to include Sunday retail selling of intoxicating liquors by the drink, on the premises; or in original package for consumption on or off premises
- **Liquor License Minit Mart #4348** located at 1202 NW 7 Highway Blue Springs, MO 64014, to sell intoxicating liquors in the original package, for consumption off premises, to include Sunday retail selling of intoxicating liquors by the drink, on the premises; or in original package for consumption on or off premises

The Consent Agenda was approved with the following vote:

Kaylor – Aye  
Lievsay – Aye  
Fowler – Aye

Ericson– Aye  
Edmondson – Aye  
Culpepper – Aye  
Mayor Ross – Absent

**PUBLIC HEARING – ANNEXATION OF 9607 JACOB LANE (ANNX-02-23-8634)**

Mayor Pro Tem Lievsay opened the Public Hearing to consider an Annexation of property approximately 1.64+/- acres located at 9607 Jacob Lane in the Highlands Ranch Subdivision into the City limits (ANNX-02-23-8634). at 6:02 p.m. The minutes of the public hearing were recorded by a certified court reporter. City Clerk Sheryl Morgan entered one exhibit into the record.

**STAFF REPORT**

Director of Community Development Mike Mallon reviewed the details of the proposed annexation and addressed questions from the Council.

**IN SUPPORT OF**

Tom Metz, President of the Highlands Ranch Homeowners Association, stated the vote of homeowners in the HOA voted unanimously to be annexed into the City limits of Blue Springs. Mr. Metz said the homeowners have been pleased by the City services and police coverage received to date.

The Mayor Pro Tem hearing no further comments for or against, closed the public hearing at 6:09 p.m.

**INTRODUCTION AND  
1ST READING – BILL  
NO. 5070 –  
ANNEXATION OF 9607  
JACOB LANE  
(ANNX-02-23-8634)**

Councilmember introduced Bill No. 5070 approving an Annexation of property approximately 1.64+/- acres located at 9607 Jacob Lane in the Highlands Ranch Subdivision into the City limits (ANNX-02-23-8634). City Clerk Sheryl Morgan made the first reading of Bill No. 5070 by title; copies of the proposed Bill having previously been made available to the public.

Councilmember Fowler moved to approve Bill No. 5070 upon its first reading and proceed with the second reading at the Council Meeting on April 3, 2023. Motion seconded by Councilmember Kaylor and carried unanimously.

**PRESENTATION –  
FISCAL YEAR 2022  
AUDIT**

Kristen Hughes, Senior Director of RSM US LLP, presented the City's financial year 2022 audit report and addressed questions from Council.

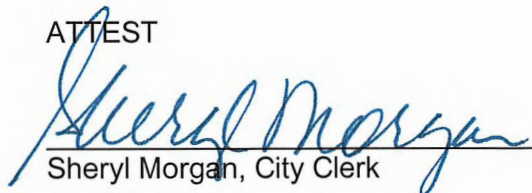
**MAYORAL  
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Pro Tem Lievsay stated the City of Hot Springs, Arkansas has advertised having the World's Shortest St. Patrick's Day Parade for the last 20 years at 95' long. However, the Blue Springs Parade is 66' long and just celebrated its 41<sup>st</sup> anniversary.

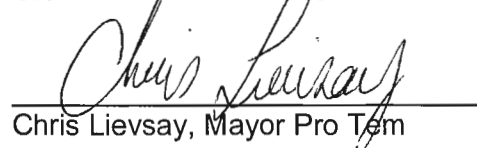
**ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:32 p.m., there was no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember Kaylor moved the meeting be adjourned. Motion seconded by Councilmember Fowler and carried unanimously.

ATTEST

  
Sheryl Morgan, City Clerk

CITY OF BLUE SPRINGS

  
Chris Lievsay, Mayor Pro Tem