**CASE 034-25: VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION**

Mr. Kimble asked the applicant to step forward and state their name for the record.

Mr. Tyler Bellairs, City of Joplin, 602 S Main St, stated that he is representing this case on behalf of JIDA. He stated that the parcel outlined in red is made annexable by the parcel highlighted in blue, south of the highway. This property was annexed last year, and the council bill is referenced on the table. The future land use map has this area identified as future industrial opportunity area. JIDA currently owns the property and wants to incorporate it into the City of Joplin. Mr. Bellairs asked if there were any questions.

Mr. Kimble asked if the property on the NE side, not included in the rest of the property, would still be County.

Mr. Bellairs responded that this was correct, it was not included in the annexation. This was omitted from the legal.

Mr. Kimble asked if this was by request or if they did not care.

Mr. Bellairs responded that they are not owned by JIDA, that property is a different owner.

Mr. Kimble asked if anyone would like to speak in favor.

Mr. Morris Glaze, 3321 Delaware, Joplin, said he is on the board for JIDA and recommends annexing for a future industrial park. They are almost out of land at Crosslands. They have one 40-acre site left, and they have a couple people looking at it. It will be a few years before they get this open for industrial use, and they have a little EPA problem that they have on schedule to take care of.

Mr. Kimble asked if there were questions.

Ms. Harrington asked how large this property was compared to Crossroads.

Mr. Glaze said that initially they bought 400 acres from Dr. Graham in 1994, on the east side of County 190, and then the Phillips Family property came available on the west side of 190, and that was 160 acres. They had acquired other parcels in the last 20 years. They have about 850 acres total, that is about sold out. They were so successful at Crossroads that it drove up on the cost of land around them, and some people are waiting to see if they can get more money, but they want to wait, so they went back to the Graham Family to buy this property.

Ms. Harrington asked if the property on the west side of the property that isn’t annexed, there is a little farmhouse.

Mr. Glaze said he has like 20 acres, but they got an easement to get the water line through there.

Ms. Harrington asked but they did not want to give it up.

Mr. Glaze said no.

Ms. Harrington said she remembers when Crossroads was purchased when she was with the chamber, and she was glad to see the annexation was possible because of the road, now that they have continuity because of Prigmor.

Mr. Glaze said back then they did not have the money to buy extra land, but now everything is paid off and they have an account balance.

Mr. Kimble asked what the EPA issues were.

Mr. Glaze said there were some old mining areas that EPA has to come in and do some surface clean up. All the mine tailings and the retention will be kept on the property down by the Turkey Creek water shed. They already deeded “X” amount of land to the EPA for that service. There won’t be anything transferred off of the property.

Mr. Kimble asked if there were other questions.

Mr. Kimble asked if there was anyone else who would like to speak in favor.

Mr. Kimble asked if there was anyone who would like to speak in opposition.

**DR. ROSENBERG MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE CASE 034-25. THIS MOTION WAS SECONDED BY MR. SPRUCE. MOTION CARRIED. (7 IN FAVOR, 0 IN OPPOSITION, 0 ABSENT)**