

**LIQUOR AND LICENSE COMMISSION**  
**McHenry County Government Center – Administration Building**  
**667 Ware Road - Woodstock IL 60098**

MINUTES OF WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2007

Chairman Hammerand called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. The following members were in attendance: John Hammerand, Chairman; Yvonne M. Barnes; Mary McCann; and James P. Kennedy. Nick Provenzano was absent. Also in attendance: Jamie Rein, Assistant State's Attorney; Captain David Shepherd, Sheriff's Department; and interested public.

John Hammerand, Chairman  
Yvonne M. Barnes      James P. Kennedy  
Mary T. McCann      Nick Provenzano

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Ms. McCann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, to approve the regular session minutes of April 19, 2007. The minutes were approved as presented with all members present voting aye.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION None.

NEW BUSINESS

*New Manager, Liquor License applications and/or Amusement License requests:* The Commission interviewed Ms. Ginger Gunn, who is applying as Liquor Manager of Donley's. The Commission reviewed of the application and supporting documents and explained the responsibilities of a liquor manager position. Ms. Gunn stated she had not taken BASSET training but would plan to do so in the near future. Members thanked Ms. Gunn for attending and asked that she provide an additional letter of recommendation that was not from a relative or employee. Ms. Gunn will send that document as soon as possible.

*Mackey's Hideout Liquor License Renewal:* Mr. William Mackey met with the Commission and submitted his application for renewal of his liquor license. The Commission reviewed his application after which Mr. Kennedy made a motion, seconded by Ms. McCann, to approve a liquor license for Mackey's Hideout located on S. River Road in McHenry. The Commission also reviewed the Liquor Ordinance and sections pertaining to loud music. Mr. Mackey stated he has a pavilion which is used for private parties and does not serve outside except for those occasions. On a roll call vote, the motion to approve a liquor license for Mackey's Hideout carried with all members present voting aye (Barnes, Kennedy, McCann and Hammerand)

*A & C Enterprises #1 – Harmony Roadhouse:* Mr. Su met with the Commission to discuss his request for a Class D license to allow for outdoor service of alcohol. The Commission reviewed the Liquor Ordinance and music and noise concerns. Mr. Su reported that they will be building a fenced patio area for outdoor events. Mr. Kennedy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Barnes to approve a Class D Liquor License Harmony Roadhouse located on South Route 20 in Marengo. The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (McCann, Barnes, Kennedy and Hammerand).

*Incident Report Tracking:* Chairman Hammerand reviewed how the Commission typically handles incident reports. When such reports are received the secretary provides a copy for each member. Incident reports are discussed during the meetings and the Commission determines if any follow-up to the report would be necessary. If there is a clear violation, a hearing is held and the Commission decides what action to take. Mr. Hammerand also noted that the Liquor Ordinance provides information on hearing procedures. Ms. Barnes thanked Chairman Hammerand for the background information and stated that she is concerned that she does not know the past history of licensed establishments and would like a method to be able to track such information easily. Captain Shepherd stated his department could provide a summary sheet for all liquor license incident reports if that would be helpful. Ms. Barnes felt such information would be valuable and be a helpful tool when reviewing a license during the renewal process. Captain Shepherd agreed that he would provide this summary to the Commission in March of each year so the members could review this information prior to a liquor license being renewed. He also stated he would provide a list for the next meeting to make sure this is the type of information the members' are requesting.

OLD BUSINESS

*Incident Reports:* None  
*Sting Operations:* None

Ms. McCann asked if it would be possible to require owners and managers to show proof of completing a BASSET course prior to approval of their license. The State's Attorney will research this possibility.

