

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

MINUTES OF WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2008

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

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 minutes of August 20, 2008 Liquor and License Commission meeting. The minutes were approved as submitted with all members present voting aye.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

PRESENTATION: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Liquor Hearings: It was noted that the liquor hearings scheduled for today's meeting were canceled.

Liquor License: Mr. Richard Hanson and Ms. Pauline Prichodko Mroczenski joined the Commission and submitted a liquor license application for an establishment located at 1502 W Jones Street, McHenry, Illinois. The Commission reviewed their paperwork and supporting documents. It was noted that forms were completed and all necessary documents were provided. After a discussion, Mr. Hanson stated he would also like to purchase a Class D liquor to allow for outside service. The Liquor Ordinance and noise restrictions were reviewed with the applicants. Noting all documents were in order and the application fee of \$1,000 and Class A/D license fee had been paid, Ms. McCann made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, to grant a Class "A/D" Liquor License to Eloc Enterprises, LLC for DBA as Sentimental Journey. The motion carried with all members present voting aye (McCann, Kennedy and Hammerand). Mr. Kennedy commented that Mr. Hanson's responses to questions indicate he has a clear understanding of the Law and appears to be a responsible individual. He wished Mr. Hanson and Ms. Mroczenski "good luck" in their new business venture. Ms. McCann echoed Mr. Kennedy's observations. Chairman Hammerand reminded the new owners to contact the Sheriff's Department should any problems arise and to contact the Liquor Commission should they have additional questions.

Raffle Applications: Members reviewed the following two Raffle Permit Applications: Leadership Greater McHenry County and St. Johns Catholic Church. Noting all documents were completed and bond information provided for each organization, Mr. Kennedy made a motion, seconded by Ms. McCann to approve the two requests as submitted. The motion carried with all members voting aye on a voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

Incident Reports: Nothing new to review.

Update on Sting Operations: Ms. Rein reported that a liquor enforcement operation was conducted on July 30, 2008 at BBTs in response to a "tip" that the establishment was selling alcohol without a valid State license. It was noted that the State license had expired on June 30, 2008. This was discussed with the owner and he was cited with a complaint for selling alcohol without a proper license. In a follow-up investigation on August 19, 2008 a proper license was displayed indicating that the establishment now had a valid State license.

Ms. Rein reported that she has received an indication that the Mobil Speed Mart may be appealing the recent hearing. Mr. Kennedy stated he feels the hearing was proper and would expect the State to uphold the findings.

Liquor Ordinance: Ms. Rein indicated she is still updating the Ordinance and will present a draft copy at the next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

REPORTS

Members discussed Executive Session minutes and agreed that they should not be released.

Ms. McCann reported that the P&D Committee will be looking at Temporary Use Permits. She noted they are trying to establish a permitting process to allow for Entertainment Events such as Rodeos and ATV events. Amplified music is also being reviewed. She felt the initiative was heading in the right direction.

ADJOURNMENT: Noting no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m. on a motion by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Ms. McCann, with all members present voting aye.

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