

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

MINUTES OF TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2011

Chairman Hammerand called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. The following Commission members were present: John Hammerand, Chairman; Bob Bless; Diane Evertsen; John Jung and Barb Wheeler. Also in attendance: Jamie Rein and Sarah Jansen, State's Attorney's Office; Commander John Miller, McHenry County Sheriff's Department; Ersel Schuster and Mary McCann, County Board.

John Hammerand, Chairman  
Bob Bless                      John Jung, Jr.  
Diane Evertsen              Barbara Wheeler

MINUTES: Ms. Wheeler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bless, to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2011 Liquor and License Commission meeting. The minutes were approved as submitted with all members present voting aye on a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mary McCann addressed the Commission to inform them that there is a vineyard located in McHenry County with plans of becoming a winery. They have been working with the Planning & Development (P&D) Department, they have presented their site plan, and are requesting a permit for a winery. Currently there is not a classification for a winery in the McHenry County Liquor and License Control Ordinance. Ms. Rein mentioned that P&D is currently working on the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) with Camiros and they have been requested to amend the zoning ordinance which will allow a winery on property that is zoned agriculture. The zoning ordinance needs to be amended first in order to allow wineries on property zoned agriculture before the Liquor and License Commission can amend their ordinances concerning wineries. She has conducted research and found other counties within the state with classifications in their liquor ordinance which allow wineries located on vineyards.

PRESENTATION: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

*New Liquor License, Manager and/or Amusement License Requests:* The Commission reviewed two applications for Special Class F Liquor Licenses for St. Joseph Parish, Round Lake, Illinois for rodeos to be held at 5411 Rt. 12, Richmond, Illinois. The first application is for May 15, 2011 and the second application is for June 25 and 26, 2011. The applicant, Father Timothy O'Malley from St. Joseph Parish, was unable to attend the meeting because of a prior engagement. Alfredo Luna, owner of the property where the events will take place, and Joel Ruiz from St. Joseph Parish, were present. Mr. Luna stated that on the day of the events all vehicles will be parked on his property and none will be parked outside of his property; they have a dumpster for all of the trash; his property will be totally clean the day after the events; there will be four port-a-potties on the premises for the events; they will not place any signs along the roads advertising the events; wristbands will be issued to anyone who will be purchasing beer; and proper identification will be required from everyone purchasing beer. Mr. Luna mentioned that Raul Luna, Joel Ruiz and he will be attending BASSETT training on May 13, 2011. Both Mr. Luna and Mr. Ruiz confirmed that all of the proceeds from these events, after expenses are paid, will be given to St. Joseph Parish of Round Lake, Illinois; the events will be held on each day from 12:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.; and they will contact the McHenry County Sheriff's Department if there are any problems during the event that may require the assistance from the Sheriff's Department. After discussion, Mr. Luna decided to change the estimated number of people attending the events from 150 to 250, he changed the number of estimated attendees on both applications from 150 to 250, and initialed the changes on both applications. Cdr. Miller mentioned that the Sheriff's Department has not received signed copies of the Detail Agreements from the Parish for these events and the number of attendees will have to be changed on the Detail Agreements from 150 to 250.

Ms. Wheeler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bless, to approve the Special Class F Liquor Licenses for St. Joseph Parish, Round Lake, Illinois for events to be held on May 15, 2011 and June 25 and 26, 2011 subject to amendments to the McHenry County Sheriff's Detail Agreements stating the amount of attendees has been increased to 250 and that the Detail Agreements are signed.

It was suggested to Mr. Luna that he contact the Village of Richmond Police Department with regards to traffic control for these events. Mr. Luna mentioned that attendees will be charged \$10.00 for admittance and a fee to purchase beer. Mr. Luna's property consists of 20 acres and he informed the Commission that he will not be charging a fee for the Parish to use his property for these events. Cdr. Miller attended a previous event at this location and he feels an estimate of 250 attendees is underestimated. Ms. Rein informed Messrs. Luna and Ruiz that the Applications now state that they estimate 250 attendees. If the amount of attendees doubles, or there are significantly more than 250 attendees, it may be an ordinance violation which they can be cited for because of not being in compliance with their liquor license which could prevent them from obtaining a liquor license in the future. They were informed that if they reach the point where they are beyond the estimated 250 attendees, they may have to turn people away. Mr. Luna changed the estimated number of people attending the events from 250 to 500, and initialed the changes on both applications from 250 to 500. Applicants were informed that it is their responsibility to have the paperwork and permits with the Health Department, Planning & Development and Sheriff's Department updated to reflect that they estimate 500 attendees at the events. Mr. Luna stated that there will be a band at the events and that music will not be played after 9:00 p.m. Commission members requested that the applicants have off-duty Sheriff's Deputies contracted to be on the premises until 10:00 p.m. for the events. Mr. Luna agreed to this request and he will contact the Sheriff's Department to have the Detail Agreements amended to reflect this change.

Ms. Wheeler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bless, to amend her motion to include that the applicants will obtain updated Detail Agreements with the Sheriff's Department stating off-duty Sheriff's Deputies will be contracted from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for all event dates, and that updated contracts and permits from the Health Department, Planning & Development and the Sheriff's Department must be submitted to the Liquor Commission before their Liquor Licenses will be issued. The amended motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Bless, Evertsen, Jung, Wheeler and Hammerand).

Commission members voted on Ms. Wheeler's original motion and the motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Bless, Evertsen, Jung, Wheeler and Hammerand).

*Raffle Permit and Special Liquor License Requests:*

Members reviewed the two raffle permit applications for the Northern Illinois Fire Museum and the Hooved Animal Humane Society. Noting all documents were completed and bond information provided for both of them, Mr. Heisler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bless, to approve the two requests as submitted. The motion carried with all members voting aye on a roll call vote (Bless, Evertsen, Jung, Wheeler and Hammerand).

OLD BUSINESS:

*Incident Reports:* None.

*Update on Sting Operations:* None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

REPORTS TO COMMISSION: None.

OTHER BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Noting no further business, Ms. Wheeler made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jung, to adjourn the meeting at 12:20 p.m. The motion carried with a unanimous voice vote.

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**RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD/COMMITTEE ACTION/REVIEW:**

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