



**LIQUOR COMMISSION MINUTES
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2014
4:00 P.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Liquor Commissioner Barra called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE led by Fire Chief Kurt Nelson

ROLL CALL

The following members were present for roll call: Liquor Commissioner Laurie Barra, Fire Chief Kurt Nelson, Police Chief Greg Nelson, Liquor Commission Member Buster Hanley and Liquor Commission Member Dale Vonderheide

Absent: Deputy Liquor Commissioner Rick VonRohr

Also present: Attorney Sue Bosich – Corporation Counsel

Public present: Nick Filarski and Denny Mullens

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Police Chief Greg Nelson to approve the Agenda for February 27, 2014, seconded by Fire Chief Kurt Nelson. On roll call vote all present voted Aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Police Chief Greg Nelson to approve the Liquor Commission Minutes of January 30, 2014, seconded by Fire Chief Kurt Nelson. On roll call vote all present voted Aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT/COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Denny Mullen stated he was in the process of leasing the building/business next to him. He wants to keep the lease in his corporation name. He has both properties under the one lease right now. He still has 5 years remaining on this lease. This person is going to purchase and lease this business under his lease. He asked if he could sub-lease this business to the new person. Denny asked if Attorney Sue Bosich could look at the lease when he's finished drawing it up. Attorney Bosich stated he would need to produce a sub-lease. He asked what he would need for the new person to get his liquor license and if he would have to come before the Liquor Commission. He will need the completed application, liquor liability insurance, background check and the sub-lease. Site plan will not change and he would need to come before the Liquor Commission. Mr. Mullen stated he thinks the person has pulled the paperwork and has done a background check.

Mr. Mullen also asked about the 2% Food and Beverage tax citation he received last month about being late on the taxes. He stated he was late for November and December and this was already paid. Attorney Bosich stated he paid the taxes between the time she drafted the document and when it was sent out. Mr. Mullen states it was prior to the meeting when he was cited. He states taxes were paid prior to the Liquor Commission meeting on January 30. Attorney Bosich asked if he still owes interest on those. Mr. Mullen stated he does not know what the interest is on those. He's never received anything on what those were. Attorney Bosich stated he still owes one month and interest on two. Mr. Mullen stated he has paid that also. Mr. Mullen stated he was told it was questionable since it was back in August. Mr. Mullen stated he was in contact with Melanie about it and have talked back and forth. He stated he had the paperwork but he was looking for the check. Attorney Bosich stated you are still behind on the interest and you are still behind on August. Mr. Mullen asked if he was the only one

that was behind for a month that he was given a citation? Attorney Bosich stated No. He also asked if it was standard to issue citations after a month? Attorney Bosich stated Yes. 2% Food and Beverage taxes are to be paid by the 20th of the month. The Judge has told Attorney Bosich she should really be handing these citations over to the State's Attorney's Office because it's tax fraud. Attorney Bosich stated this is a City of Pekin Ordinance violation and she will handle them accordingly.

NEW BUSINESS

New Application: WWP Investments, LLC, 1005 Derby Street, Pekin, IL – Walter J. Zich, Jr.

Discussion: Attorney Bosich stated there were several places on the application that needed filled in. Asked if he had a DBA (doing business as). Mr. Zich, Jr. was waiting to see if the application would be approved before he filed a DBA with the State of Illinois. Also 1A "The object for which organized" and the Agent needs to be answered. Went over the site plan that was submitted; there are common bathrooms that will be shared with another business next door, there are doors separating the two businesses. There will also be video surveillance. Hours of operation right now will be 8:00am to 8:00pm 7 days a week, excluding Sunday which will be noon to 8:00pm. Mr. Zich, Jr. would like to open in 60 days.

Motion made by Liquor Commission Member Buster Hanley to approve the liquor license of WWP Investments, LLC for 1005 Derby Street, Pekin, IL contingent upon final walk-thru's, inspections and final liquor license. Seconded by Liquor Commission Member Dale Vonderheide. On roll call vote all present voted Aye. Motion carried.

2% Food and Beverage Tax late returns

Vicki Bass emailed late returns to the Liquor Commission on February 27, 2014.

The Dug Out Sports Bar was in and paid in full the 2% Food and Beverage tax. His business is now closed.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Attorney Sue Bosich informed the Commission that she will be filing charges from a police report against a bartender that did not call in a fight that had injuries. This will be on the next Liquor Commission meeting.

Police Chief Greg Nelson made a motion to adjourn, meeting adjourned 4:30 P.M.

Next Meeting will be Thursday, March 27, 2014 at 4:00 P.M. Liquor Commissioner Barra will be absent
Respectfully submitted, Paula Gensel