



**LIQUOR COMMISSION MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2014
4:00 P.M.
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Liquor Commissioner Barra called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE of ALLEGIANCE led by Liquor Commissioner Barra

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Member Vonderheide to approve the Agenda for May 22, 2014, seconded by Police Chief Nelson. On roll call vote all present voted Aye. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Member Hanley to approve the Liquor Commission Minutes of April 24, 2014, seconded by Fire Chief Nelson. On roll call vote all present voted Aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Liquor Commissioner Barra stated that the Beer Garden application for **SUNSET LANES** at 3000 Court Street was not ready to be considered at this meeting.

**NANA'S PUB, INC. dba SIDE LINES
17 N. 4TH STREET
PEKIN, ILLINOIS 61554**

Liquor Commissioner Barra presented the new application for a Class A liquor license. Owner Margaret V. Moore was present. Questions and concerns of Attorney Bosich, Fire Chief and Police Chief were addressed concerning hookup of land line phone and the rear broken door. Ms. Moore felt the door, phone and detailed finishes inside would be completed the week of May 26th. The Police Chief stated that Deputy Commissioner VonRohr would need to do final inspection. Ms. Moore confirmed for the Chief that she was the owner and the manager. The gentleman that was present with her was doing the improvement work. Police Chief Nelson made a motion to approve the Liquor License of Nana's Pub, Inc. dba Side Lines, contingent upon final inspections of the Fire Inspector and Deputy Liquor Commissioner Von Rohr, seconded by Member Vonderheide. On roll call vote all present voted Aye. Motion carried.

**PEKIN PIZZA COMPANY dba GODFATHER'S PIZZA
2111 COURT STREET
PEKIN, ILLINOIS 61554**

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Liquor Commissioner Barra presented the new application for a Class A liquor license. Owners and operators Mike Monseur and John Leskovisek confirmed that the list contained in the application were other franchises located in Springfield, Chatham and Decatur that were owned, operated and held a liquor license by the same shareholders. They also acknowledged that the liquor liability certificate of insurance had been given the City Clerk prior to the meeting. The applicants indicated possession was May 26, 2014. Police Chief Nelson questioned who would be the local manager. The members were told that the operators would retain the present manager Christy Brown and have her apply for her criminal history background check as soon as she was rehired. Other items noted by the fire inspection, emergency lighting and relocation of a freezer would be completed upon possession of the building.

Fire Chief Nelson made a motion to approve the Liquor License of Pekin Pizza Company dba Godfather's Pizza, contingent upon final inspections of the Fire Inspector and Deputy Liquor Commissioner Von Rohr, seconded by Member Hanley. On roll call vote all present voted Aye. Motion carried.

2% FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX LATE RETURNS

Liquor Commissioner Barra advised the members that there was no report available from the finance department for late returns. The department gives consideration for post-marked returns due the 20th of the month.

PUBLIC INPUT/COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Council Member Orrick expressed appreciation for showing faith in the Pekin community by purchasing and saving the Godfather's franchise with plans to expand and include catering operations.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Attorney Bosich questioned at what point the fire, police and inspections departments sign-off on the application check sheet that the Liquor License can be issued and given to the applicant. Discussion followed. There was further discussion concerning those applicants that wanted to obtain a license to submit to the Gaming Board but had not received an Occupancy Permit from the Building Department. It was suggested to add contingent on opening in specific amount of days or issuing 6 or 12 month licenses. The Liquor Commissioner indicated there needed to be further discussion regarding "contingent upon" motions.

Police Chief Nelson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Fire Chief Nelson.
Meeting adjourned at 4:35 P.M.

Next Meeting will be Thursday, June 26, 2014 at 4:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Sue McMillan
City Clerk