



Village of Addison

MINUTES ADVISORY LIQUOR COMMISSION TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2021

Addison Village Hall
Room 1301
One Friendship Plaza
Addison, IL 60101

Liquor Commissioner Rich Veenstra

Commission Members present:

**Rick Delawder
Tony Amato
Carol Cesario
Sandi Milazzo**

1. **Call to order, roll call**

The July 6, 2021 Advisory Liquor Commission meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Chairman Rick Delawder. Also in attendance were: Commission Members Tony Amato, Carol Cesario and Sandi Milazzo; Village Manager Joe Maranowicz, Police Director Bill Hayden, Deputy Chief Roy Selvik; Attorney David Freeman, Attorney Yvette Heintzelman, and Mary Heneghan.

Representing Bigby's Pour House was David Pederson.

2. **Approval of the minutes of the May 4, 2021 meeting**

Commission Member Amato made a motion to recommend acceptance, seconded by Commission Member Cesario. Motion approved unanimously.

3. **Liquor License Violation Hearing for Bigby's Pour House located at 1700 W. Lake Street**

Attorney Heintzelman summarized the case for the Commissioners. On May 2, 2021, the Addison Police Department received a complaint that an employee of Bigby's Pour House had served alcohol to a minor. The complaint was called in by the minor's parents, as the minor had to be taken to Edward Hospital. The bartender admitted to the police that he had served this minor along with other individuals on that date without asking for proof of age. The minor admitted to the police that she had been at Bigby's on that date, was served by the bartender, and eventually blacked out. When the police attempted to review the video footage, they were told the system was not working.

This establishment was last fined \$750.00 for serving a minor back in September of 2020 as part of a liquor license compliance check by the Police Department. A previous violation dates back to 2012.

Attorney Heintzelman stated that an agreement has been reached with Mr. Pederson for a one week suspension. Mr. Pederson expressed his apologies, and stated that this employee has already been suspended for two weeks without pay. He has reviewed the Basset training with all of his employees, all of whom are Basset trained. Attorney Heintzelman stated that ensuring the video system is working properly will be made part of the agreement for the one week suspension.

The Commission members adjourned into Executive Session at 3:04pm. The meeting reconvened at 3:11pm.

Commission Member Amato made a motion to accept the one week suspension (complete closure) of the business and the requirement to ensure the security cameras are working, seconding by Commission Member Milazzo. The motion carried unanimously. The next steps of the process were reviewed with Mr. Pederson.

4. **Police Reports**

None

5. **Old Business**

None

6. **New Business**

Village Manager Maranowicz reviewed a new Ordinance that is going before the Village Board that provides clarity on what is required when there is a change in ownership or management for a liquor license holder in town. In particular, if the original licensee's ownership interest falls below 51%, a new liquor license will need to be applied for. Any change in ownership of more than 5% will also trigger a background check and approval by the Advisory Liquor Commission.

7. **Other Business at the discretion of the Chairman**

None

8. **Executive Session if needed**

Not needed


9. **Audience Participation**

None

10. **Adjournment**

Commission Member Milazzo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:30pm, seconded by Commission Member Cesario.

Respectfully Submitted,


Mary Heneghan