



Village of Addison

MINUTES ADVISORY LIQUOR COMMISSION MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2023

Addison Village Hall
Room 2002
One Friendship Plaza
Addison, IL 60101

Liquor Commissioner Rich Veenstra

Commission Members present:

Tony Amato
Carol Cesario
Mike Hartnett
Fred Yanez

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

The February 13, 2023 Advisory Liquor Commission meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Acting Chairman Tony Amato. Also in attendance were: Commission Members Carol Cesario, Mike Hartnett, and Fred Yanez; Village Manager Joe Maranowicz, Police Director Bill Hayden, Deputy Chief Roy Selvik, Attorney David Freeman, and Mary Heneghan.

Representing Lake St. Café was Baton Shabani.

Representing Lorena's Banquets were Jose Pina and Fatima Pina.

2. **Approval of the minutes of the November 1, 2022 meeting**

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

3. **Liquor License Application Public Hearing for Lake St. Café Inc., d/b/a Lake St. Café located at 501 E. Lake Street, Class "D"**

Mary Heneghan swore in the applicant.

Mr. Shabani stated that he hopes to open this restaurant by early April. He has a strong family background in the restaurant business – his father has managed multiple locations in Wisconsin, and Mr. Shabani has personal experience in these restaurants as well. This will be their first establishment in Illinois. Mr. Shabani commented that this is a strong location here in Addison and he feels customers will appreciate the service and aesthetics. The hours will be 7am to 2:30pm, Monday through Sunday. He is doing a lot of work on the interior to make it more modern. He will be doing table service, and the alcoholic beverages will include mimosas, Bloody Mary's and other select cocktails. He and his wife are Basset trained, and all servers will be as well.

Deputy Chief Selvik stated there were no issues with the background checks. He stressed that the Police Department has established good working relationships with the liquor establishments here

in town, and he encouraged Mr. Shabani to contact the Police Department any time assistance may be needed. He also explained that the Police Department will conduct compliance checks during the year to check for underage consumption.

Commission Member Hartnett made a motion to recommend approval of this liquor license application, seconded by Commission Member Cesario. The motion was approved unanimously. The next steps of the process were reviewed with the applicant.

4. **Liquor License Application Public Hearing for JPP 543 Inc. d/b/a Lorena's Banquets at 543 W. Lake Street, Class "DB"**

Mary Heneghan swore in the applicants.

Mr. Pina stated that they are buying this current business. He and his daughter have worked there for many years, and have previous experience in the banquet industry as well. Ms. Pina stated that she is taking on more responsibility, the business is growing, and they want to make it a family business. They plan to keep the business operating just as it currently is. They are open every day, but most of their actual events are on the weekends. Food for the events is prepared on the premises. They have two walk-up bars, and a total capacity of 600 people. They hope to officially take over the business on April 1st. All bartenders are Basset trained.

Deputy Chief Selvik stated there were no issues with the background checks. He stressed that the Police Department has established good working relationships with the liquor establishments here in town, and he encouraged Mr. and Ms. Pina to contact the Police Department any time assistance may be needed. He also explained that the Police Department will conduct compliance checks during the year to check for underage consumption.

Commission Member Cesario made a motion to recommend approval of this liquor license application, seconded by Commission Member Hartnett. The motion was approved unanimously. The next steps of the process were reviewed with the applicants.

5. **Police Reports**

None

6. **Old Business**

None

7. **New Business**

None

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

None

9. **Executive Session if needed**

Not needed

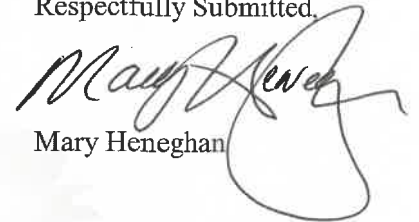
10. Audience Participation

None

11. Adjournment

Commission Member Hartnett made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:26pm, seconded by Commission Member Cesario.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mary Heneghan

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