

**VILLAGE OF HUNTLEY
LIQUOR COMMISSION
October 10, 2019
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER:

A meeting of the Huntley Liquor Commission was called to order on Thursday, October 10, 2019 at 7:24 p.m. in the Municipal Complex, Village Board Room, 10987 Main Street, Huntley, Illinois 60142.

ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT: Chairman Charles H. Sass; Commissioners: Ronda Goldman, Timothy Hoeft, Niko Kanakaris, Harry Leopold, John Piwko and JR Westberg.

ABSENT: None

IN ATTENDANCE: Village Manager David Johnson, Assistant Village Manager Lisa Armour, Management Assistant Barbara Read, Director of Development Services Charles Nordman, Chief Robert Porter, Director of Finance Cathy Haley, Human Resources Manager Chrissy Hoover, and Village Attorney John Cowlin.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

- A. Consideration - An Ordinance Approving the Issuance of a Class “L” Liquor License to JayDev Brew, Inc. dba More Brewing Company; 13980 Automall Drive

Chairman Sass reported that the Village of Huntley regulates the sale of alcoholic beverages in the Village through its Liquor Control Ordinance, which provides for the issuance of certain classes of liquor licenses and establishes the number of licenses available in each class.

Staff Analysis

In January 2019, the Village Board approved the Site Plan and a Special Use Permit for JayDev Brew, Inc. dba More Brewing Company (More) to operate a production brewery with a taproom/brew pub restaurant within the former Chevrolet Dealership at 13980 Automall Drive. More is leasing and renovating the existing 25,302 square feet building to include 11,302 square feet dedicated for the production of beer and 14,000 square feet for a taproom/brew pub restaurant. The tap room/brew pub, which will be located in the former dealership showroom, will include a full kitchen, special events area for private dining, and an outdoor patio. Although outside seating is planned, no outside events are planned for 2019. The production side will be located in the area previously occupied by the service department and will include a brewhouse, fermentation and conditioning vessels and packaging line. There will also be a barrel room where beer will be aged in whiskey barrels prior to packaging. The expected hours of operation are as follows:

Monday through Friday	10:30 am - 1:00 am
Saturday and Sunday	10:30 am - 2:00 am

The Village is in receipt of an application for a Class “L” liquor license from Mr. Sachin Patel (Sunny) President. More is requesting a liquor license at this time to obtain their State license to begin the brewing process. They anticipate opening later this year. As part of the application process the following items are required to be submitted:

- Signed and notarized Application with Affidavit *Submitted*
- Payment of \$750 *Submitted*
- Applicant Profile Information *Submitted*
- Registered Agent Profile Information *Submitted*
- Current Articles of Incorporation *Submitted*
- Current Lease / Deed *Submitted*
- Certificate of Insurance including Best Policy Rating *Submitted*
- Surety Bond *Submitted*
- State Liquor License
- BASSET training information for employees

All documents required have been submitted with the exception of the State Liquor License and the BASSET certification information. The BASSET information must be submitted within 90 days of opening. It is not uncommon to be waiting on the State’s approval while requesting approval from the local Liquor Commission. The Liquor Commission can approve the Class “L” liquor license with the condition of approval being that More must provide a certified copy (proof) that they obtained a State Liquor License before the Village’s liquor license becomes effective.

Financial Impact

A half-year payment of \$750 has been received and deposited to the Liquor License revenue line item.

Legal Analysis

Section 110 of the Village Code of Ordinances regulates liquor sales in the Village. The application has been reviewed and is in compliance with Section 110: Alcoholic Beverages requirements.

Chairman Sass reported that representatives from the petition were in attendance to answer questions.

Chairman Sass asked if the Commission had any comments or questions; there were none.

A MOTION was made to approve an Ordinance Approving the Issuance of a Class “L” Liquor License to JayDev Brew, Inc. dba More Brewing Company; 13980 Automall Drive subject to the following condition of approval:

- 1. Petitioner must show proof of the State of Illinois Liquor Licenses before the Village of Huntley Class “L” Liquor License becomes effective.**

MOTION: Commissioner Leopold

SECOND: Commissioner Kanakaris

AYES: Commissioners: Goldman, Hoefft, Kanakaris, Leopold, Piwko, and Westberg

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried: 6-0-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

POSSIBLE ACTION ON ANY CLOSED SESSION ITEMS: None

OTHER BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to discuss, a MOTION was made to adjourn the hearing at 7:26 p.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Piwko

SECOND: Commissioner Westberg

The Voice Vote noted all ayes and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Read
Recording Secretary