

**VILLAGE OF HUNTLEY
VIRTUAL LIQUOR COMMISSION
June 25, 2020
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER:

A virtual meeting of the Huntley Liquor Commission was called to order on Thursday, June 25, 2020 at 7:41 p.m. Call in number 847-748-0565, PIN 41707.

ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT: Chairman Charles H. Sass

PRESENT VIA TELEPHONE: Commissioners: Ronda Goldman, Timothy Hoeft, and John Piwko.

ABSENT: Commissioners: Niko Kanakaris, Harry Leopold, and JR Westberg

IN ATTENDANCE: Interim Village Manager Lisa Armour

IN ATTENDANCE VIA TELEPHONE: Management Assistant Barbara Read, and Village Attorney John Cowlin.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

- A. Consideration of an Ordinance Approving Outside Events; Bowl Hi Lanes; Aloha Friday Cruise Nights and Live Music Saturdays

Chairman Sass reported that as discussed in the Village Board meeting, a request has been received from Mr. Dan Zielinski, co-owner, of Bowl Hi Lanes to conduct an outside car show event on Friday evenings and live music on Saturday nights throughout the summer.

Staff Analysis

The Aloha Friday Cruise Nights are proposed for Fridays from June 26th through September 4, 2020 from 5:00 pm to 8:45 pm. The first event was held without prior approval on June 12th. These events are not authorized by the Temporary Outdoor Dining Program that was approved by the Village Board on May 28th.

Per guidance from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, auto shows are not allowed during Phase 3 of the "Restore Illinois Plan" based on an assumption that it would involve a gathering of greater than 10 people. The attached pictures from a Facebook post show attendees at the event, none of whom were wearing face coverings, including Bowl Hi staff behind the bar. Bowl Hi has been contacted twice in regard to the lack of social distancing at the bar. The petitioner set up the outdoor dining area with the tables and outdoor bar and tent without receiving prior approval to do so. Staff followed up with the petitioner to obtain the required information and to conduct the necessary safety inspection for the tent.

Phase 4 of the “Restore Illinois Plan” defines a gathering as no more than 50 people, and it may be possible that car shows will be permitted. As of June 18th, Phase 4 is anticipated to begin on June 26th. However, no specific guidance has been issued at this time.

As proposed, the show cars would be parked in the south and west portion of the parking lot on the south side of the building. Bowl Hi has a current Class “A” liquor license which allows for outside events. These events are typically approved at the annual renewal in December. The event would include alcoholic beverages, food and entertainment as outlined on their Facebook post (included). Per the Facebook post, they are also advertising Movie Night Fridays in July (no additional information is provided regarding this event).

Live Music Saturday is proposed for every Saturday night starting in July and continuing through September from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm. The petitioner has just begun the process of securing bands for this event and has not finalized the Saturday dates for these live music events. The stage is proposed to be set up under the existing tent. Phase 3 guidance regarding live music states: *Live music is permitted but employees and performers should follow social distancing guidelines, keeping the maximum distance possible from each other and from customers. Performers should wear face coverings where possible and the use of barriers between singers and customers and employees during the performance is strongly encouraged.* Specific guidance regarding live music in Phase 4 has not been issued as of June 18th.

If approved by the Village Board, the events will be contingent upon the status of the “Restore Illinois Plan” and guidance regarding the proposed events. The current information regarding Phase 4 – Revitalization is as follows: *The rate of infection among those surveillance tested and the number of patients admitted to the hospital continues to decline. Gatherings of 50 people or fewer are allowed, restaurants and bars reopen, travel resumes, child care and schools reopen under guidance from the Illinois Department of Public Health. Face coverings and social distancing are the norm.*

Legal Analysis

Outdoor events also require the approval of a temporary use permit by the Village Board.

Chairman Sass stated that the business owner needs to follow the rules and stated that the Village will give a warning but should complaints continue, they will be sent to the Health Department.

Chairman Sass asked if the Commission had any comments or questions.

Commissioner Hoeft told the petitioner that all their warnings are used up.

There were no other comments or questions.

A MOTION was made to approve an Ordinance Approving Outside Events for Bowl Hi Lanes; 10520 Route 47 for Aloha Car Shows from June 26th through September 4th, 2020 and Live Music Saturdays, subject to the following conditions of approval:

- 1. All events are subject to the Restore Illinois Plan guidelines in effect at the time of the event and are subject to cancellation if not authorized by the plan.**
- 2. A Temporary Use Permit must be applied for and obtained from the Development Services Department.**

- 3. The petitioner must apply and obtain a Sound Amplification Permit from the Police Department.**
- 4. The petitioner agrees that the event is to be undertaken in accordance with all reasonable Village requirements including all necessary permits, rules and regulations of the Village, the Huntley Fire Protection District, and the Illinois State Liquor Control Commission.**
- 5. Anyone serving or selling alcohol must be BASSET trained.**
- 6. Specific dates must be submitted to the Village Clerk for the Live Music Saturdays prior to the event.**

MOTION: Commissioner Hoeft

SECOND: Commissioner Goldman

AYES: Commissioners: Goldman and Hoeft

NAYS: Commissioner: Piwko

ABSENT: Commissioners: Kanakaris, Leopold, and Westberg

The Motion Carried: 2-1-3

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 7:45 p.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Hoeft

SECOND: Commissioner Goldman

The Voice Vote noted all ayes and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Read
Recording Secretary