

LIQUOR AND LICENSE COMMISSION
McHenry County Government Center – Administration Building
667 Ware Road
Woodstock IL 60098

MINUTES OF WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2005

Chairman Hammerand called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. The following members were in attendance: John Hammerand, Chairman; Ed Dvorak; Anna May Miller; Pete Merkel; and Nick Provenzano (arriving at 9:40 a.m.). Also in attendance: Michelle Courier, Assistant State's Attorney; and the press.

John Hammerand, Chairman
Ed Dvorak Pete Merkel
Anna May Miller Nick Provenzano

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: On a motion by Mr. Dvorak, seconded by Ms. Miller, the Commission approved the regular session minutes of February 9, 2005 as presented with all members present voting aye.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.

NEW BUSINESS

Liquor License – New Manager Requests: On the Fox - The Commission interviewed Vince Galati who is applying as a manager for On the Fox. After a review of the application, Mr. Dvorak made a motion, seconded by Ms. Miller, to approve the manager application for Vince Galati subject to receipt of finger print results. The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Miller, Dvorak, Merkel and Hammerand).

Town Liquors - The Commission interviewed Trishia M. Jensen who is applying as a manager for Town Liquors. After a review of the application, Mr. Dvorak made a motion, seconded by Ms. Miller, to approve the manager application for Trishia Jensen subject to receipt of finger print results. The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Miller, Dvorak, Merkel and Hammerand).

New Liquor License Applications: Oak Grove Golf Course – After reviewing all documents, interviewing Mr. Delgado and noting that finger print results have revealed no prior criminal activity, Mr. Dvorak made a motion, seconded by Ms. Miller, to approve a liquor license for Oak Grove Golf Course. The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Miller, Dvorak, Merkel and Hammerand).

River Bend – The Commission interview Robert and Barrie Gwinn, the new owners of River Bend Restaurant. Ms. Miller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dvorak to approve a liquor license for River Bend subject to receipt of a health permit, zoning confirmation and results of finger prints. The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Miller, Dvorak, Merkel, Provenzano and Hammerand).

The Hideout Tavern and Grill - The Commission interview Tammy J. Heidrich and Vincent S. Kaminski, the new owners of The Hideout Tavern and Grill – formally Die-No's Rushmore Inn located on Route 120 in Woodstock. Mr. Merkel made a motion, seconded by Ms. Miller to approve a liquor license for The Hideout Tavern and Grill subject to receipt of finger print results. The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Miller, Dvorak, Merkel, Provenzano and Hammerand).

Janimal's Porten Road Pub, Ltd. - The Commission interview Janet M. Risch and Robert Lindquist, the new owners of Janimal's Porten Road Pub. Mr. Dvorak made a motion, seconded by Ms. Miller to approve a liquor license for Janimal's Porten Road Pub. The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Miller, Dvorak, Merkel, Provenzano and Hammerand).

Liquor License and Amusement License Renewal Applications for 2005 – 2006: On a motion by Mr. Provenzano, seconded by Ms. Miller, the following liquor licenses were approve for licensing year May 1, 2005 to May 1, 2006 with a unanimous roll call vote of all ayes (Miller, Dvorak, Merkel, Provenzano and Hammerand):

"A" Licenses: Chris's Coachhouse, Deeter's, Horizontals, Marengo Ridge Golf and Country Club, Old Rivers Inn, Inc., Gazebo Grill, Inc., Ed's Wonder Inn, The Step Inn, Syl's Tavern, Crystal Bowl, Red's Tavern, Sentimental Journey, Orlando's Cove, Pistakee Country Club, Rumors Bar and Grill, Tammy's Pizza & Pasta, Grand Old Mill, Plum Tree National, The Breakers, Camphouse Grill, Oberheide Soft Landing, Mef's Restaurant & Grill, Dusty's Pizza, Mookie's Supper Club, Rimas Lodge, D'Andrea Banquets, Inc., McHenry Recreation, Rod's Rite Inn, Richmond Hunting Club, Big Foot Inn, J.R.'s Broken Inn, JVE and Club, Kitch's Chateau, Suds R US, Village Hall Banquets, House of Lawrence, and the Still on the Hill.

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"A" and "D" Licenses: On the Fox, Clubhouse of Cary, Pizza Den, Crystal Lake Rib House, Anne's Second Chance, Sword's Saloon, Kief's Reef, Chapel Hill Country Club, Dockside and Crystal Woods Golf Club.

"B" Licenses: Lakeside Liquors, Village Market West, Shell Kwik Pantry #108, Wonder Foods, Nedza Food Shop, Rez's Food Stop, Midwest Petroleum Development, Town Liquor, Wonder Lake Citgo, Mobil Speed Mart, House of Bottles, Chemung Country Store, Alden Quick Mart, Sunrise Grocery, RSS Oil and Crossroads Tobacco & Liquor.

"C" Licenses: Marquise Banquets, Inc.

"E" Licenses: Illinois District American Turner Camp

Amusement Licenses: On a motion by Mr. Provenzano, seconded by Mr. Merkel, the Commission unanimously approved the following Amusement licenses for licensing year May 1, 2005 to May 1, 2006 on a roll call vote of all ayes (Miller, Dvorak, Merkel, Provenzano and Hammerand):

A.H. Entertainers, Inc., Big Foot Corporation, Syl's Tavern, J & D Amusement, Antique Village Museum, Rossmiller Music & Vending Co., McHenry Recreation, Die-No's, D & R Leasing, Rod's Rite Inn and JVE & Club.

Ms. Miller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Provenzano, to authorize the John Hammerand, Liquor & License Commission Chairman to review and approve as appropriate any renewal applications that may be received prior to May 1, 2005. The motion carried with all members present voting aye.

Special Liquor License Request: Ms. Miller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merkel, to approve a one-day liquor license for the Harvard Sportsmen's Club (4/15/05) and the Woodstock Rotary Club (4/23/05). The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Miller, Dvorak, Merkel, Provenzano and Hammerand).

Raffle Permits: Ms. Miller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Dvorak, to approve a Raffle Permit for the Historical Society and the Latino Coalition. The motion carried with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Miller, Dvorak, Merkel, Provenzano and Hammerand).

OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Courier provided an update on the sting operations.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Ms. Miller made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merkel, to enter executive session to discuss pending litigation. The Commission entered executive session at 10:35 a.m. with a unanimous roll call vote of all ayes (Miller, Dvorak, Merkel, Provenzano and Hammerand).

The Commission returned to regular session at 10:45 a.m. on a motion by Mr. Provenzano, seconded by Mr. Dvorak, with all members present voting aye on a roll call vote (Miller, Dvorak, Merkel, Provenzano and Hammerand).

ADJOURNMENT

Noting no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m. on a motion by Ms. Miller seconded by Mr. Provenzano, with all members present voting aye.

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