

MINUTES OF THE ZION LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 25, 2015 AT 5:02 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS

Chairman Hill called the meeting to order.

On call of the roll the following answered present: Commissioners, Thorn, McNabb, Winfrey and Chairman Hill.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Commissioner Winfrey, seconded by Commissioner McNabb to approve the minutes with corrections of the Zion Liquor Control Commission held on June 9, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Winfrey, aye; Thorn, aye; McNabb, aye and Chairman Hill, pass. Motion carried.

VIOLET BANQUET HALL, INC. LIQUOR LICENSE

On June 16, 2015, the City Council accepted the recommendation of the Liquor Control Commission and approved adding one Class F Liquor License.

A Retail Liquor Dealer's License Application was received from Violet Banquet Hall, Inc. at 2647 Sheridan Road. The application is for a Class F License. Along with the application, all documentation has been submitted as well as a check in the amount of \$500.00 for the application fee. A manager's background check has been completed and cleared. The Liquor License is contingent on the approval of the Business License from Director Ianson.

It was moved by Commissioner McNabb, seconded by Commissioner Thorn to approve the application for the Class F Liquor License for Violet Banquet Hall, Inc. subject the approval of the Business License. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Winfrey, aye; Thorn, aye; McNabb, aye and Chairman Hill, pass. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT REQUEST/NEW CLASS LICENSE

Chairman Hill stated there is a request to consider a new classification, a Café Retail Liquor License. Mr. Shone Davis is requesting the sale of beer and wine for consumption on premises only. Mr. Davis proposes a café setting with between 30-40 seats serving Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner. He stated he would like to propose a 3 drink maximum as to not be considered a bar. Chairman Hill stated he and Mr. Davis have had a conversation regarding this license and the intention would be to also include Gaming. Chairman Hill stated the Accounts and Finance Director David Knabel has presented a budget using up all City reserves. He stated the City has a need for increased revenue and extreme budget cuts. He stated he would personally give serious consideration to a new liquor license classification, but it would need to be tied to Gaming. He stated Gaming could mean serious revenue for the City as seen by other communities. He stated the City Council needs to take action on Gaming first. He stated there would be numerous amendments that would need to be made to the Zion Municipal Code. He stated he would like to put discussion regarding Gaming on the agenda for the first or second meeting in July. Commissioner Thorn asked what style of Café was being proposed. She asked if there would be a full kitchen. Mr. Davis stated there will be a full kitchen with the intention of serving Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner. Commissioner Thorn stated the Commission does not want to issue licenses for bars therefore it would be necessary to tie the license to Gaming. Chairman Hill stated the Council originally passed an ordinance to prohibit Gaming in the City. He stated if the Council reconsiders the approval of Gaming in Zion, adding a new liquor classification can be discussed.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, it was moved by Commissioner Winfrey, seconded by Commissioner Thorn and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 5:23 p.m. Motion carried.

Recording Secretary