

**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Business Meeting of the  
City of Kingsport Beverage Board  
Tuesday, March 2, 2021, 1:30 PM  
Council Room, City Hall, 225 West Center Street, Kingsport**

PRESENT: Beverage Board:

Lonnie Salyer, Chair (via zoom)  
Michael Forrester (via zoom)  
Stephen LaHair (via zoom)  
John McKinley (via zoom)  
Dale Phipps, Deputy Police Chief  
Ken Weems, Planning Manager (via zoom)  
Natalie Wells (via zoom)  
Lisa Winkle, Secretary, Interim City Recorder  
Cody Woods, Vice-Chair (via zoom)

City Staff:

City Attorney Mike Billingsley  
Assistant City Attorney Bart Rowlett  
City Clerk/Deputy City Recorder Angie Marshall  
Paralegal Liz Chicco

**CALL TO ORDER:** 1:30 p.m. by Chair Salyer.

A determination by the board that meeting electronically and limiting the physical presence of the public at the meeting is necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare of all concerned in light of the COVID-19 virus.

**Chair LaHair made this declaration & each board member verbally affirmed.**

**I. ROLL CALL:** Deputy City Recorder Marshall.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

Motion/Second: Woods/McKinley, to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2021 regular business meeting.

Approved in a roll call vote: Forrester, LaHair, McKinley, Phipps, Salyer, Weems, Wells, Winkle and Woods voting "aye."

**III. REVIEWING OF APPLICATIONS.**

**A. APPLICATION FOR NEW PERMITS.** None.

**IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.** None.

**V. NEW BUSINESS.**

- A. REVIEW OF ARRESTS/INCIDENT REPORTS.** Interim Chief Phipps stated there was nothing to report except for the next item regarding Witzend.
  
- B. WITZEND REPORT.** Chief Phipps stated that he went to talk to the owner last Friday over noise concerns from a neighbor. He stated they were in compliance and that the late night clientele was from other local businesses after they closed. City Attorney Billingsley confirmed there was no noise ordinance in place and this would be classified as a nuisance issue. He also pointed out the neighbor was there before the business changed to an alcohol venue. Assistant City Attorney Rowlett also stated there is some discrepancy in the hours and even days of operation depending on where you look online and what is actually posted at the business. Chair Salyer asked City Clerk Marshall to send an email to the business owner to verify the hours of operation.
  
- C. BEER DELIVERY DISCUSSION.** Assistant City Attorney Rowlett provided information on this item, stating action has been taken on this issue in Johnson City, Bristol, Nashville and Memphis and applied to off premises permit holders only. He pointed out that the process adopted by Johnson City and Bristol are different as night and day. Mr. Rowlett further stated there is a question as to its legality as it seems to contradict other sections of state law regarding this issue. He stated he would continue to work on it and report back to the board.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT.** With no other business to discuss, Chair Salyer adjourned the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

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Secretary