

**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Business Meeting of the
City of Kingsport Beverage Board
Tuesday, April 6, 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
Dale Phipps, 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 (via zoom)
City Clerk/Deputy City Recorder Angie Marshall
Paralegal Liz Chicco
Police Detective Jesse Altman

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 Salyer made this declaration & each board member verbally affirmed.

I. ROLL CALL: Deputy City Recorder Marshall.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Motion/Second: LaHair/Woods, to approve the minutes of the March 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.

1. AVADH FOOD MART. Hardik and Pravin Patel, Owners, were sworn in and provided information on this existing business, noting there would be a change in the ownership structure but the business operation would remain the same. Mr. Patel pointed

out they were awaiting approval of the beverage permit before finalizing the ownership change. They confirmed they were familiar with the laws and legal hours to serve beer. City Attorney Billingsley asked if the 12:00 listed on their store hours was noon or midnight, to which Mr. Patel confirmed midnight. Ken Weems reported no zoning issues and Chief Phipps confirmed no problems with the background check.

Motion/Second: LaHair/Woods:

Issuance of an Off-Premises Permit to **Avadh Food Mart** for **People's Food Mart** located at 3104 Memorial Boulevard.

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

2. THE GOLF MILL LLC. Hunter Millsap, Jody Millsap and Logan Gentry, Owners, were sworn in and discussed the change in the ownership structure of this business. They also explained they were going to be expanding the patio area. They confirmed the outside area would be chained off and signs posted where alcohol was not allowed. Mr. Gentry, the newest owner, confirmed he was familiar with the laws and every server would be trained. City Attorney Billingsley asked if the business was a restaurant or a sports bar as there was a discrepancy on the applications. Mr. Millsap stated it was a restaurant and they would amend the incorrect application. He also confirmed they do serve meals now. Mr. Billingsley informed the applicants the Beverage Board could terminate the permit if there were not enough employees in place to prepare food. Ken Weems reported no zoning issues and Chief Phipps confirmed no problems with the background check.

Motion/Second: Forrester/Woods:

Issuance of an On-Premises Permit to **The Golf Mill LLC** for **The Sports Mill** located at 600 East Market Street.

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

B. SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS.

1. Kingsport Chamber. Ms. Stephanie Hernandez was sworn in and provided details on this event. She stated this would be the third year doing this noting it would follow the same format as in the past with three national comedians, a pizza competition and beer. Ms. Hernandez confirmed the use of wristbands after checking ID, although there shouldn't be anyone under 21 in attendance. She pointed out the event would be held outside and Meadowview is allowing the Chamber to bring in beer from outside. She also stated volunteers from the Chamber would be serving the beer. Chief Phipps stated there were no problems with the background check and Planning Manager Weems confirmed no zoning issues.

Motion/Second: Woods/McKinley, to approve:

To issue a Special Event Beverage Permit to the **Kingsport Chamber** for the **BrewHaHa** event taking place on Friday, May 7, 2021 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. outside behind Meadowview Convention Center located at 1901 Meadowview Parkway.

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

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS. None.

V. NEW BUSINESS.

A. REVIEW OF ARRESTS/INCIDENT REPORTS. Chief Phipps stated there was nothing to report noting the police continue to monitor Witzend.

VI. ADJOURNMENT. With no other business to discuss, Chair Salyer adjourned the meeting at 1:58 p.m.

Secretary