

**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Business Meeting of the
City of Kingsport Beverage Board
Tuesday, October 1, 2024, 1:30 PM
Montgomery-Watterson Boardroom, City Hall, 415 Broad Street, Kingsport**

PRESENT: Beverage Board:
Lonnie Salyer, Chair
Stephen La Hair, Vice-Chair
John McKinley
Dale Phipps, Police Chief
Ken Weems, Planning Manager
Lisa Winkle, City Recorder/Treasurer

City Staff:
Bart Rowlett, City Attorney
Liz Chicco, Paralegal,
Angie Marshall, City Clerk/Deputy City Recorder

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

I. **ROLL CALL:** by Deputy City Recorder Angie Marshall. Absent: Michael Forrester, Jason Sanders and Natalie Wells

II. **PUBLIC COMMENT.** None.

III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

Motion/Second: LaHair/Weems to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2024 regular business meeting.

Approved: All present voting "aye."

IV. **REVIEWING OF APPLICATIONS.**

A. **NEW PERMITS.**

1. **Uptown Cheesesteak Company** Mr. Jason Ketron, Owner, was sworn in and provided information on this application, stating he is converting his growing food truck business into a brick-and-mortar establishment, noting he is still waiting on the final health permit. Mr. Ketron confirmed all employees will be TIPS trained. Planning Manager Weems reported no zoning issues and Chief Phipps confirmed no problems with the background checks.

Motion/Second: LaHair/Weems:

To issue an On-Premises Beverage Permit to ***Uptown Cheesesteak Company*** for the ***Uptown Cheesesteak Company*** located at 114 Broad Street in Kingsport *contingent upon* submitting a health permit to the municipal clerk.

Approved: All present voting "aye."

2. **King City Tavern** Mr. Jonathan Reed, Co-Owner, was sworn in and provided information on this business, stating they are expanding their current business which is next door. He stated the hours may be different. Mr. Reed mentioned they are 90% complete with the buildout and hope to be open next month after receiving the health permit. The City Attorney pointed out some discrepancies with the applications that need to be amended. Planning Manager Weems reported no zoning issues and Chief Phipps confirmed no problems with the background checks.

Motion/Second: LaHair/Weems:

To issue an On-Premises Beverage Permit to ***King City Tavern*** for the ***Ole Crow Tavern*** located at 215 Commerce Street, Suite 200 in Kingsport *contingent upon* submitting a health permit and amending applications with the city clerk.

Approved: All present voting “aye.”

3. **Athenian Food Concepts** Mr. Steve Kontos, Co-Owner, was sworn in and provided details on the change of ownership for this business, noting they will be using the same system and processes for the servers. Mr. Kontos stated they will assume the lease on November 1st. Planning Manager Weems reported no zoning issues and Chief Phipps confirmed no problems with the background checks.

Motion/Second: LaHair/Weems:

To issue an On-Premises Beverage Permit to ***Athenian Food Concepts*** for ***East Coast Wings & Grill*** located at 2637 East Stone Drive in Kingsport *contingent upon* submitting closing documents and a final lease to the city clerk.

Approved: All present voting “aye.”

B. SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS.

1. **Kingsport Chamber Foundation** Ms. Emily Thompson was sworn in and provided details on this annual event being held at the Farmers Market. She confirmed it will be the same set up as previous years but there will be a total of 12 wing vendors which is the most they've ever had. She stated they will use wristbands to ID at the door and the beer will be served by staff and volunteers in the fenced area. Planning Manager Weems reported no zoning issues and Chief Phipps confirmed no problems with the background check.

Motion/Second: LaHair/Weems:

To issue a Special Event Beverage Permit to the ***Kingsport Chamber Foundation*** for the ***Wing Fling*** event taking place on Friday, November 8, 2024, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Kingsport Farmers Market located at 308 Clinchfield Street, Kingsport.

Approved: All present voting “aye.”

Note: There was a twenty-five-minute recess while waiting on the next applicant to arrive.

2. Kingsport Chamber Ms. Stephanie Hernandez was sworn in and provided details on this event stating this is the second year since there was a good turnout last year. She stated it is an event for 21 years and up and they plan to ID/wristband at the door. Planning Manager Weems reported no zoning issues and Chief Phipps confirmed no problems with the background check. The City Clerk pointed out the application fee was not turned in with the application.

Motion/Second: LaHair/Weems:

To issue a Special Event Beverage Permit to the ***Kingsport Chamber*** for the ***Model City Monster Bash*** event taking place on Saturday, October 26, 2024, from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. at the Kingsport Farmers Market located at 308 Clinchfield Street, Kingsport *contingent upon* submitting the \$100 application fee.

Approved: All present voting “aye.”

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS. None.

VI. NEW BUSINESS.

A. REVIEW OF ARRESTS/INCIDENT REPORTS. Chief Phipps stated there was nothing to report.

B. ELECTION OF OFFICERS This item was tabled to the next meeting when more members would be present.

VII. ADJOURN. With no other business to discuss, Chair Salyer adjourned the meeting at 2:17 p.m.

Secretary