

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Business Meeting of the

City of Kingsport Beverage Board

Tuesday, June 2, 2026, 1:30 PM

Montgomery-Watterson Boardroom, City Hall, 415 Broad Street, Kingsport

PRESENT: Beverage Board:

John McKinley, Chair

Michael Forrester, Vice Chair

Kevin Mitchell

Jason Sanders

Natalie Wells

Travis Bishop, City Recorder

Sean Chambers, Deputy Police Chief

Ken Weems, Planning Manager

City Staff:

Bart Rowlett, City Attorney

Sarah Valk, Assistant City Attorney

Liz Chicco, Paralegal

Angie Marshall, City Clerk/Deputy City Recorder

Kristie Tipton, Assistant City Clerk.

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

I. ROLL CALL: by Deputy City Recorder Angie Marshall. Absent: Shelton Clark.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT. None.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Chair McKinley pointed out the minutes listed Deputy Chief Chambers being present rather than Chief Bellamy and needed to be amended.

Motion/Second: Sanders/Wells to approve the minutes *as amended* of the May 5, 2026 regular business meeting.

Approved: All present voting "aye."

IV. REVIEWING OF APPLICATIONS.

A. APPLICATIONS FOR NEW PERMITS.

1. Blind Raven Brewing Company, LLC r The applicant was not present.

B. SPECIAL EVENTS PERMITS.

1. Appalachian Renaissance Faire of Tennessee, Anne-Marie Schuyler, Executive Vice President, was sworn in and provided details on the **Multiverse Masquerade Ball** event, noting it is a thank you fundraiser for vendors, cast and crew. She stated all attendees will be over 18 years old and they will present their ID upon entering and again when purchasing beer. Wristbands will also be provided for those over 21. She stated three of their members are licensed bartenders and will serve the alcohol. Planning Manager Ken Weems stated zoning was appropriate and Deputy Chief Chambers confirmed there were no problems with the background check.

Motion/Second: Forrester/Sanders:

To issue a Special Event Beverage Permit to the ***Appalachian Renaissance Faire of Tennessee*** for the ***Multiverse Masquerade Ball*** event taking place on Saturday, June 20, 2026 from 6:00pm to 10:00pm at the Allandale Mansion located at 4444 West Stone Drive

Approved: All present voting “aye.”

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

A. Angry Kitten, LLC requests a 90-day extension to open for The Boardroom Lounge located at 225 East Market Street. Beth Ewing stated that they did receive their health permit but should receive it by Friday.

Motion/Second: Forrester/Sanders to grant the extension.

Approved: All present voting “aye.”

The City Attorney provided details on the memorandum he sent to the board last Friday, stating another permittee had brought to his attention there was no barrier to the outside dining area at Stir Fry Café. Mr. Rowlett provided further details on the complaint as well as the options the board could take to address it. There was some discussion around the barrier previously being in place and when it was removed. Chair McKinley pointed out a similar situation that arose last year with another business in that vicinity resulting in a letter being sent by the City Attorney. Mr. Mitchell made a motion, seconded by Ms. Wells to send the business owner of Stir Fry a letter about the condition of the barrier for outdoor food service areas serving beer, along with the city code to provide specific information on what is required. All present voted “aye.”

VI. NEW BUSINESS.

A. REVIEW OF ARREST/INCIDENT REPORTS Deputy Chief Chambers stated there was nothing to report.

VII. ADJOURN. With no other business to discuss, Chair McKinley adjourned the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

Secretary