



MINUTES OF THE BLOOMINGTON  
LIQUOR COMMISSION  
August 11, 2015

**1 Call to order**

The regular meeting of the Liquor Commission was called to order by Commissioner Renner at 4:00 p.m. on August 11, 2015.

**2 Roll Call**

Mayor Renner directed the City Clerk to call the roll.

Tari Renner and Jim Jordan Commissioners, George Boyle, Asst. Corporation Counsel, Asst. Chief Clay Wheeler, and Renee Gooderham, Chief Deputy Clerk.

Absent: Commissioner Tomkins.

**3 Public Comment**

No one came forward to address the Commission.

The following was presented:

**4 Consideration of approving the Commission minutes of June 9, 2015 and July 24, 2015.**

Motion by Commissioner Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Renner to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of June 9, 2015 and the Special Meeting minutes of July 24, 2015.

The following was presented:

**5 Request of Andrew Pennock and Sarah Sibley.**

Andrew Pennock and Sarah Sibley, addressed the Commission. Famous Dave's would cater the event. They anticipated 150 guests. The reception would be from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Beer and wine only would be served.

Motion by Commissioner Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Renner that the request of Andrew Pennock and Sarah Sibley to allow beer and wine consumption at their December 12, 2015 wedding reception to be held at Miller Park Pavilion be approved.

Motion carried, (viva voce).

Commissioner Renner stated that this item would appear on September 14, 2015 Council's Consent Agenda. He encouraged Andrew Pennock and Sarah Sibley to attend same. The following was presented:

**6 Request of Zachary Young and Shannon Sturtz.**

A representative was not present for this item.

Motion by Commissioner Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Renner to lay this item over to the September 8, 2015 Liquor Commission.

Motion carried, (viva voce)

Commissioner Renner directed Chief Deputy Clerk Gooderham to contact Zachary Young and Shannon Sturtz.

The following was presented:

**7 Request of Brad Brooks and Elizabeth Inks.**

William Inks, brother of Elizabeth Inks, addressed the Commission. He stated that Times Past Inn would cater the event. He anticipated 120 guests. Beer and wine only would be served.

Motion by Commissioner Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Renner that the request of Brad Brooks and Elizabeth Inks to allow beer and wine consumption at their November 28, 2015 wedding reception to be held at Davis Lodge be approved.

Motion carried, (viva voce).

Commissioner Renner stated that this item would appear on September 14, 2015 Council's Consent Agenda. He encouraged Mr. Inks to attend same.

The following was presented:

**8 Request of Dennis and Ann Vercler.**

Ann Vercler, mother addressed the Commission. She stated that Baxter's would cater the beer and wine and Lake Road Inn would provide the food. She anticipated 60 guests. Beer and wine only would be served.

Motion by Commissioner Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Renner that the request of Ann and Dennis Vercler to allow moderate consumption of beer and wine at their son's September 13, 2015 wedding luncheon to be held at Davis Lodge be approved.

Motion carried, (viva voce).

Commissioner Renner stated that this item would appear on August 24, 2015 Council's Consent Agenda. He encouraged Mrs. Vercler to attend same.

The following was presented:

**9 Request of Chris Barger and Jennifer Corban.**

Jennifer Corban, bride, addressed the Commission. She stated that Hy-Vee would cater the event. She anticipated 130 guests. Beer and wine would be served.

Motion by Commissioner Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Renner that the request of Chris Barger and Jennifer Corban to allow moderate consumption of beer and wine at their wedding reception to be held at Davis Lodge be approved.

Motion carried, (viva voce).

Commissioner Renner stated that this item would appear on the September 14, 2015 Council's Consent Agenda. He encouraged Ms. Corban to attend same.

The following was presented:

**10 The application of Suzi's XVI, LLC, d/b/a Suzi's Chili Bowl, located at 1701 S. Veterans Parkway, Ste. 2, requesting an RBS liquor license which would allow the sale of beer and wine only by the glass for consumption on the premises seven (7) days a week.**

Susan McAfoos, owner/operator, Suzi's XVI, LLC, addressed the Commission. She stated that while visiting Springfield, IL she went to Dude's Chili restaurant. She currently owned eleven (11) gaming parlors in Illinois. She believed that chili and gaming would assist with expanding her business.

Commissioner Renner questioned the floor plan. Ms. McAfoos stated that there would be windbreaker to separate the gaming area from restaurant. She anticipated serving approximately twenty to twenty-five (20 – 25) patrons at high top tables.

George Boyle, Asst. Corporation Counsel noted that financials were not available. Ms. McAfoos acknowledged same. She stated that her accountant was working on same.

Mr. Boyle noted that the emergency contact form was not completed. Ms. McAfoos stated that employees had not been hired. After approval she would begin the hiring process and provide same to the City Clerk's office.

Mr. Boyle questioned opening time frame. Ms. McAfoos stated 90 to 120 days including approval process.

Commissioner Jordan questioned video gaming machines. Ms. McAfoos stated that there would be five (5) machines. He questioned hours of operation. Ms. McAfoos stated Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Friday and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. (midnight) and Sunday 12:00 (noon) to 6:00 or 8:00 p.m.

Commissioner Jordan questioned the concept. Mr. Boyle stated that revenue from the sale of food had to be 51% and does not count revenue from video gaming. Ms. McAfoos acknowledged same. Her other establishment had low alcohol sales.

Mr. Boyle suggested Ms. McAfoos become familiar with Chapter 6, Alcoholic Beverages, Section 4B, Creation of New License – Findings.

Commissioner Renner questioned crime impact. Asst. Chief Wheeler stated that statistics had not been gathered to determine same. He believed there were similar establishments in the community.

Motion by Commissioner Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Renner to lay this item over to the September 8, 2015 Liquor Commission contingent upon providing financial requirements.

Motion carried, (viva voce).

The following was presented:

**11 Notification of Violation Payment from Bloom Mart, Inc., d/b/a Bloom Mart Citgo, located at 1810 S. Morris Ave., currently holding a GPBS liquor license which allows the sale of packaged beer and wine only for consumption off the premises seven (7) days a week.**

Mr. Boyle noted that this was a first (1<sup>st</sup>) violation. The Commissioners acknowledged payment received.

The following was presented:

**12 Notification of Violation Payment from CFMI, Inc., d/b/a Convenient Food Mart, located at 1102 N. Hershey Rd., currently holding a GPAS liquor license which allows the sale of all types packaged alcohol for consumption off the premises seven (7) days a week.**

Mr. Boyle noted that this was a first (1<sup>st</sup>) violation. The Commissioners acknowledged payment received.

The following was presented:

**13 Notification of Violation Payment from PSM Shell, Inc., d/b/a PSM Shell, located at 2401 E. Oakland Ave., currently holding a GPBS liquor license which allows the sale of packaged beer and wine only for consumption off the premises seven (7) days a week.**

Mr. Boyle noted that this was a third (3<sup>rd</sup>) violation. Previous violations were February 2012 and February 2013. This violation was from March 2015. A settlement had been reached. PSM Shell agreed to \$1000 fine and camera installation. The Commissioners acknowledged payment received and camera installation.

Mr. Boyle noted that June and July 2015 twenty-six (26) businesses had passed compliance checks.

**14 Adjournment**

Motion by Commissioner Jordan, seconded by Commissioner Renner to adjourn. Time: 4:27 p.m.

Motion carried, (viva voce).

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Gooderham  
Chief Deputy Clerk