

**VILLAGE OF HUNTLEY  
LIQUOR COMMISSION HEARING  
July 8, 2010  
MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

A meeting of the Huntley Liquor Commission was called to order on Thursday, July 8, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Complex, Village Board Room, 10987 Main St., Huntley, Illinois 60142.

**ATTENDANCE:**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Charles H. Sass; Commissioners: Pam Fender, Jay Kadakia, Niko Kanakaris, Harry Leopold and John Piwko.

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Paul Mercer

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Village Manager David Johnson, Senior Assistant to the Village Manager Lisa Armour, Management Assistant Barbara Read and Village Attorney Mike Coppedge.

**HEARING:**

- A. Ordinance (O) 2010-07.34– Amendment of the 2010-2011 Liquor License for Sammy’s Restaurant and Lounge, 11012 Route 47

Chairman Sass reported that the Village is in receipt of a request from Mr. Sammy Abdullai of Sammy’s Restaurant and Lounge (Sammy’s) to allow for two outside events this summer. Sammy’s, 11012 Route 47 is requesting to amend their Class “A” Liquor License to allow for the events, as they were not included in the renewal application submitted by Sammy’s in April.

Staff Analysis

The amendment request is to include two (2) outside events as follows:

- July 17, 2010 / 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. for a Junior Wrestling group family event
- July 31, 2010 / 2:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. for “Sammy’s Fest”

A single 50’ x 50’ tent will be located behind the restaurant for each event.

A layout of the restaurant property was included in the packet included showing the fence layout and parking available. No liquor will be allowed off the premises. All drinks will be served in plastic cups. The owner has been notified that a noise permit must be obtained for both events due to the scheduled band performances.

Financial Impact

Sound Amplification Permit fee - \$25.00/event

Legal Analysis

Sammy's holds a Class "A" license which allows for outside events; however, Village Liquor Code stipulates the following regulations:

§ 110.23 CLASSIFICATION AND FEES

(1) *Class "A."* Class "A," which shall permit the retail, sale on the premises specified, of alcoholic liquor, for consumption on the premises, as well as other retail sale of alcoholic liquor in the original package. The annual fee for such license shall be \$950.

*(a) At the time of annual renewal of any Class "A" liquor license, any licensee who intends to conduct any annual off premises (outside) activities in the upcoming year shall submit a list with complete description to the Liquor Commissioner identifying the date and the hours for these special events. The Liquor Commission shall have the absolute discretion to approve or deny any date set forth on the list submitted as part of the annual renewal application. No amendments shall be approved during the course of the licensed year, and the failure to include a particular date on the list submitted as part of the annual renewal shall preclude any special event on any date not included on the attached list.*

Recommended Conditions of Approval

Staff recommends the following conditions of approval if the amendment is granted:

1. All required permits and inspections associated with the tent shall be obtained by the petitioner prior to each event
2. The tent shall be removed no later than 48 hours after each event has ended
3. The petitioner shall comply with all requirements of the Huntley Police Department and Huntley Fire Protection District

Chairman Sass reported that Mr. Sammy Abdullai was in attendance to answer questions.

Commissioner Leopold asked when the tent will be installed and removed. Mr. Abdullai stated that the tent will be installed on the day before and removed on the Monday after each event.

Chairman Sass directed Mr. Abdullai to inform the residents on Woodstock Street and the surrounding properties.

Commissioner Fender asked where the gated area was located; Mr. Abdullai stated that it will be on the side of the building.

There were no other comments or questions.

**A MOTION was made to approve Ordinance (O) 2010-07.34– Amendment of the 2010-2011 Liquor License for Sammy's Restaurant and Lounge, 11012 Route 47.**

**MOTION: Commissioner Kanakaris**  
**SECOND: Commissioner Kadakia**  
**AYES: Commissioners: Fender, Kadakia, Kanakaris, Leopold and Mercer**  
**NAYS: None**  
**ABSENT: Commissioner Mercer**  
**The motion carried.**

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Chairman Sass reported that Ms. Lori Nichols from the Huntley Jaycees was in attendance to update the Commission on the Jaycees volleyball fundraiser at the Parkside scheduled for July 31<sup>st</sup>. Parkside was approved for this event during the annual renewal; however, the details were not available at that time.

Ms. Nichols reported that the volleyball tournament will be taking place in the beer garden and volleyball court from 11:00 a.m. until dusk and proceeds of the event will benefit Animal House Shelter. Ms. Nichols stated that they have obtained the noise permit as well as the raffle permit; they are using only small canopies so inspections will not be necessary.

Chairman Sass asked if there were any questions or comments; there were none.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

**A MOTION made to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m.**

**MOTION: Commissioner Kanakaris**

**SECOND: Commissioner Fender**

**The Voice Vote noted all ayes and the motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Read  
Recording Secretary