

**VILLAGE OF HUNTLEY
LIQUOR COMMISSION HEARING
December 18, 2014
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER:

A meeting of the Huntley Liquor Commission was called to order on Thursday, December 18, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Complex, Village Board Room, 10987 Main Street, Huntley, Illinois 60142.

ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT: Chairman Charles H. Sass; Commissioners: Ronda Goldman, Charles Huffman, Niko Kanakaris, Harry Leopold, John Piwko and JR Westberg.

ABSENT: None

IN ATTENDANCE: Village Manager David Johnson, Assistant Village Manager Lisa Armour, Management Assistant Barbara Read, Director of Development Services Charles Nordman and Village Attorney Mike Coppedge.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

- a) Consideration of an Ordinance Amending the Huntley Code of Ordinances – Business Regulations 110.24 – Limitation on Licenses – Adding one (1) Class “A” License – Liquor Control Ordinance

Chairman Sass reported that the Village of Huntley regulates the sale of alcoholic beverages in the Village through its Liquor Control Ordinance which provides for the issuance of certain classes of liquor licenses and establishes the number of licenses available in each class.

Staff Analysis

Consideration is being requested to amend the Liquor Control Ordinance to make available eleven (11) Class “A” licenses instead of ten (10) in order to provide for the applications from Mr. Adam Brancamp for Pub 47, Inc., 10400 Route 47 (former Sponsors location). The application has been reviewed by Staff and all is in order for consideration.

The Class “A” license 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. Listed below are the current licensed establishments with a Class “A” license:

1. Bricks and Ivy LLC d/b/a Parkside Pub
2. Brunch Cafe
3. Jameson’s / Del Webb
4. Luigi’s Pizzeria
5. Marsala’s
6. Offie’s Tap
7. Rookies
8. Sammy’s Restaurant & Lounge

9. Soula's Village Inn
10. Tee 2 Green Indoor Golf, LLC

Financial Impact

The fee received for a yearly Class "A" License is \$950.00.

Legal Analysis

Section 110.24 of the Village Code of Ordinances limits the number of available licenses in each class. There is no available Class "A" license; therefore, if the Liquor Commission elects to issue a license to Pub 47, Inc, the Commission must create one (1) additional Class "A" license.

Chairman Sass asked if the Liquor Commissioners had any comments or questions; there were none.

A MOTION was made to approve an ordinance authorizing the amendment to the Huntley Code of Ordinances Business Regulations 110.24 – Limitation on License – Adding one (1) Class "A" License – Liquor Control Ordinance.

MOTION: Commissioner Leopold

SECOND: Commissioner Kanakaris

AYES: Commissioners Goldman, Hanson, Kanakaris, Leopold and Piwko

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Westberg

The motion carried: 5-0-0-1

- b) Consideration of an Ordinance Approving the Issuance of a Class "A" Liquor License to Pub 47, Inc., 10400 Route 47

Chairman Sass reported that the Village of Huntley regulates the sale of alcoholic beverages in the Village through its Liquor Control Ordinance, which provides for the issuance of certain classes of liquor licenses and establishes the number of licenses available in each class.

Staff Analysis

The Village is in receipt of an application for a Class "A" liquor license from Mr. Adam Brancamp for Pub 47, Inc. Mr. Brancamp anticipates opening in approximately 3 – 4 weeks.

All required documents have been submitted with the exception of the State Liquor License. This is not uncommon to be waiting on the State's approval while asking for approval from the local Liquor Commission. The Liquor Commission can approve the Class "A" liquor license with the condition of approval being that Pub 47, Inc. must provide a certified copy (proof) that they obtained a State Liquor License before the Village's liquor license becomes effective.

Financial Impact

The yearly fee of \$950 has been received and deposited to the Liquor License revenue line item in the General Fund.

Legal Analysis

Section 110 of the Village Code of Ordinances regulates liquor sale in the Village. The application has been reviewed and is in compliance with Section 110: Alcoholic Beverages requirements.

Chairman Sass asked if the Liquor Commissioners had any comments or questions; there were none.

A MOTION was made to approve an ordinance authorizing the issuance of a Class “A” Liquor License to Pub 47, Inc.; 10400 Route 47; subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Petitioner must show proof of the State of Illinois Liquor License before the Village of Huntley Class “A” Liquor License becomes effective.**
- 2. Petitioner must obtain a certificate of occupancy from the Village of Huntley.**

MOTION: Commissioner Leopold

SECOND: Commissioner Kanakaris

AYES: Commissioners Goldman, Hanson, Kanakaris, Leopold and Piwko

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Westberg

The motion carried: 5-0-0-1

- c) Consideration of an Ordinance Approving the Issuance of a Class “A” Liquor License to Sammy’s Bar and Grill, 11012 Route 47

Chairman Sass reported that the Village received notification that Sammy’s Bar and Grill (Sammy’s) will no longer be operating at 11012 Route 47 with the same ownership. Sammy’s was approved for a Class “A” liquor license which will expire December 31, 2014.

Staff Analysis

The Village is in receipt of an application for a Class “A” liquor license from Mr. Michael Brusky for Sammy’s Bar and Grill; 11012 Route 47. Mr. Brusky has notified Staff that his ownership goes in to effect on January 1, 2015 and will continue doing business as Sammy’s Bar and Grill. Due to the expiration of the current 2014 Sammy’s Class “A” liquor license on December 31, 2014, one open Class “A” liquor license will be available as of January 1, 2015. Sammy’s Bar and Grill, under the new ownership of Mr. Michael Brusky, is seeking approval of a Class “A” liquor license effective January 1, 2015. Therefore, no amendments to the Village Code are necessary as there would be no open licenses upon issuance of a license to Mr. Brusky. Ms. Luljeta Abdullai remains the owner of the building.

All required documents have been submitted with the exception of the State Liquor License. This is not uncommon to be waiting on the State’s approval while asking for approval from the local Liquor Commission. The Liquor Commission can approve the Class “A” liquor license with the condition of approval being that Sammy’s Bar and Grill must provide a certified copy (proof) that they obtained a State Liquor License before the Village’s liquor license becomes effective.

Mr. Brusky has also submitted, as part of the application, permission to conduct the same outdoor events previously approved for Sammy’s as part of the 2013 and 2014 annual license renewal:

- Bags May through August
- Sammy’s Summer Fest – July 2015 Staff exhibit was included in the packet (specific date to be determined)

The Class “A” license 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.

Financial Impact

A six-month payment of \$475 has been received and deposited to the Liquor License revenue line item in the General Fund.

Legal Analysis

Section 110 of the Village Code of Ordinances regulates liquor sale in the Village. The application has been reviewed and is in compliance with Section 110: Alcoholic Beverages requirements.

Chairman Sass asked if the Liquor Commissioners had any comments or questions; there were none.

A MOTION was made to approve an Ordinance Approving the Issuance of a Class “A” Liquor License to Sammy’s Bar and Grill (Mr. Michael Brusky owner); 11012 Route 47, effective January 1, 2015 subject to the following condition:

- 1. Petitioner must show proof of the State of Illinois Liquor License before the Village of Huntley Class “A” Liquor License becomes effective.**

MOTION: Commissioner Goldman

SECOND: Commissioner Huffman

AYES: Commissioners Goldman, Hanson, Kanakaris, Leopold and Piwko

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Westberg

The motion carried: 5-0-0-1

- d) Consideration of an Ordinance Approving the Annual Approval and Issuance of 2015 Liquor Licenses – Village of Huntley Code of Ordinances Section 110.24

Chairman Sass reported that renewal packets were distributed to all current liquor license holders on October 30, 2014. The application deadline was Wednesday, November 21, 2014.

Staff Analysis

All renewal applications received are in substantial compliance with Village Code. Also included is a list of temporary use permit requests for banners throughout the year as well as a request to utilize Village-owned property for an outside event (TTF) by Parkside Pub. The TTF event is subject to the approved License Agreement between the Village and the Parkside property owner. The agreement was entered into as a condition of the property purchase. If approved by the Liquor Commission as part of the renewal process, the Village Board will not need to review the TUP’s on an individual basis as the events occur. A sign permit will still be required to install the banners prior to the requested event.

Below is a list of the applicants along with the class designation and class description.

Applicant	Class	Description
1. Bricks & Ivy LLC d/b/a Parkside Pub	A	Retail sale on premises. Consumption
2. Brunch Cafe		on premises. Retail sale and take-out
3. Jameson’s Huntley (Del Webb Restaurant)		of alcoholic liquor in the original package.
4. Luigi’s Pizzeria		
5. Marsala’s Italian Kitchen		
6. Offie’s Tap		

7. Soula's Village Inn		
8. Tee 2 Green Indoor Golf LLC		
9. Triple K & B; d/b/a Rookies 3		
10. Jameson's Huntley (Del Webb banquet facility)	B	Retail sale in restaurants/banquet rooms. Only at tables in conjunction with meals.
11. Huntley American Legion Post 673, Inc.	C	Retail sale for consumption on premises to an organized club. Retail sale and take-out of alcoholic liquor in the original package.
12. Aldi	D	Retail sale in sealed packages. Not for consumption on premises sold. Sampling/tasting events on licensed premises subject to specific regulations.
13. Best Price Tobacco & Gifts		
14. American Drug Store d/b/a Osco #3394		
15. Huntley Beverage Corp / Armanetti's		
16. Huntley Food & Liquor		
17. Walgreens / Princeton Drive		
18. Walgreens / Reed Road		
19. Walmart		
20. Wisted's Supermarket		
21. Huntley Park District / Pinecrest	F	Retail sale on premises. For country clubs only.
22. Whisper Creek Golf Club		
23. Bowl-Hi Lanes	G	Retail sale on premises. Consumption on premises. Retail sale and take-out of alcoholic liquor in the original package. Alcohol may be sold on Sundays, beginning at 10:00 A.M.

Class "D" Sampling Requests

- Huntley Beverage Corporation / Armanetti's Wine & Liquor requests sampling every Friday from 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm and every Saturday from 11:00 am – 8:00 pm.
- American Drug Store LLC d/b/a Osco Drug #3394 requests sampling every Friday through Sunday from 11:00am – 4:00pm

Temporary Use - Outside / On-Premise Event Requests

Below are the requested temporary use / on premise outside events for 2015:

- Bowl-Hi Lanes
 - Three (3) Car Shows; June 13th, August 8th, and September 12th; 2pm - dusk
- Huntley Legion
 - Horseshoes in the parking lot on the north side of the building Thursday nights; May through October
- Huntley Park District / Pinecrest Country Club
 - Four (4) Seasonal banners announcing brunch and/or special events for a period of two (2)

weeks per banner (Valentine’s Day; Easter Brunch; Mother’s Day Brunch; New Year’s Eve Party)

▪ Parkside Pub

- Outside eating in the beer garden area May - October
- Turkey Testicle Festival (TTF) November 26, 2015 – 11:00 am. The TTF is governed by the License Agreement between the Village and Parkside. The agreement is included as an exhibit. Due to the construction activity planned for the Downtown in 2015, the final approval for the event (and the two (2) additional events approved in the License Agreement) will require final approval from the Liquor Commission at a later date.

▪ Rookies

- Vintage car show in parking lot; Thursday nights – June through September *Exhibit Included*

Condition of approval for temporary use banners:

1. A sign permit must be obtained from the Development Services Department prior to the installation of the banner for the specified event.

Video Gaming

The following establishments, which have been approved for video gaming, have also submitted their information and payment for 2015.

1. Offie’s Tap
2. Soula’s Village Inn
3. Marsala’s
4. Rookies
5. Huntley American Legion Home
6. Luigi’s
7. Tee 2 Green

Financial Impact

Payments for the Liquor License renewals have been deposited in the Liquor License revenue line item in the General Fund.

Legal Analysis

Section 110 of the Village Code of Ordinances regulates liquor sale in the Village. The applications have been reviewed and are in compliance with Section 110: Alcoholic Beverages requirements.

Chairman Sass asked if the Liquor Commissioners had any comments or questions; there were none.

A MOTION was made to approve an Ordinance approving the Approval and Issuance of 2015 Liquor Licenses – Village of Huntley Code of Ordinances Section 110.24

- MOTION: Commissioner Piwko**
SECOND: Commissioner Goldman
AYES: Commissioners Goldman, Hanson, Kanakaris, Leopold and Piwko
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Commissioner Westberg
The motion carried: 5-0-0-1

OTHER BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to discuss, a MOTION was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Leopold

SECOND: Commissioner Kanakaris

The Voice Vote noted all ayes and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Read
Recording Secretary