

**VILLAGE OF HUNTLEY  
LIQUOR COMMISSION MEETING  
February 5, 2009  
MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

A meeting of the Village of Huntley Liquor Commission was called to order on Thursday, February 5, 2009 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, Paul Mercer, and John Piwko.

**ABSENT:** None

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Village Manager David Johnson, Senior Assistant to the Village Manager Lisa Armour, Police Chief John Perkins, Deputy Chief Todd Fulton, Management Assistant Barb Read, and Village Attorney Mike Coppedge.

**RECUSED:** Prior to the commencement of the official hearing, Niko Kanakaris recused himself and took a seat in the audience.

**HEARING**

a) Complaint – Niko’s Grill and Pub

Chief Perkins reported that on December 30, 2008, the Police Department conducted an alcohol compliance check of all liquor license retailers within the Village of Huntley. Approximately thirty days prior to the compliance check, a letter was sent to all licensed liquor establishments informing them of the upcoming compliance check. An eighteen year old male was used to conduct these checks, given instruction on the proper procedures and accompanied by a Police Detective. The eighteen year old male entered Niko’s Grill and Pub (Niko’s), ordered a beer and was served by the bartender. The Detective confronted the bartender and issued a violation for Section 110.12(A) Sales to a Minor.

Niko’s has been petitioned to appear before the Huntley Liquor Commission. Pursuant to the Village of Huntley Liquor Control Ordinance the penalty provision are as follows:

*Sections 110.52(c) The sale of alcoholic liquor to minors or to other persons to whom the sale is prohibited by this chapter shall be cause for suspension of any license hereunder for not less than five days or for revocation hereunder as may be determined by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village.*

Section 110.99(a) Any person, firm or corporation violating the provisions of this chapter shall be fined not less than \$25 nor more than \$1,000 for each offense. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during which a violation occurs or continues.

Chief Perkins noted that a review of liquor files disclosed no previous violation at Niko's Grill and Pub.

Chairman Sass asked the respondent if he had received a copy of the complaint. He answered yes.

Liquor Commission Chairman Sass asked if the Commission had questions of Chief Perkins or Dino Polychronos, the Manager of Niko's Grill and Pub, who was in attendance. There were no questions.

**There was a motion made at 7:07 p.m. to adjourn the meeting into Executive Session.**

**MOTION: Commissioner Leopold**

**SECOND: Commissioner Fender**

**Motion carried unanimously**

The meeting reconvened at 7:10 pm.

Chairman Sass reported that it was determined that the penalty for this violation would be a fine of \$400 plus a five (5) day suspension of Niko's Grill and Pub's Liquor License. Chairman Sass stated that due to banquet commitments, Niko's Grill and Pub has requested that the suspension days not be consecutive and submitted proof of the scheduled events. Chairman Sass noted that the Liquor Commission would approve the request and the dates the Liquor License suspension will be February 16, 17, 18, 23 and 24. As done in the past with violations from other establishments, \$100 would be added to the original fine of \$400 to compensate for the adjustment in the suspension days therefore making the fine \$500.

Village Attorney Coppedge stated that the establishment is not required to close on the days of suspension but may not serve liquor on those days.

A copy of the order will be available within the next several days.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**A MOTION was made to adjourn the February 5, 2009 Liquor Commission meeting at 7:12 p.m.**

**MOTION: Commissioner Kadakia  
SECOND: Commissioner Leopold  
The motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Read  
Recording Secretary