

**FREEPORT LIQUOR COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
MAY 31, 2018 – 4:30 P.M.**

With a quorum being present, a special meeting of the Freeport Liquor Commission was called to order by Mayor Miller at 4:45 p.m. on May 31, 2018, in Conference Room 1-A at City Hall, 314 West Stephenson Street, Freeport, Illinois.

Present upon roll call were Commissioner and Mayor Jodi Miller and Commissioners Stacy Fernstaedt, Tim Mahoney, Don Parker, and Jeff Davis.

Also present for the City of Freeport: City Clerk Dovie Anderson and City Legal Counsel Steve Cox, Esq.

Others present: Danielle Rogers on behalf of the Stephenson County Fairgrounds Board, Beverage Chairperson, and Katie Gentz with Freeport Downtown Development Foundation

Item 2 - Consent Agenda

All items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Commissioner so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as the first item after approval of the Consent Agenda.

A. Approval of Liquor License Renewal Applications for:

NO.	OLD CLASS	NEW CLASS	BUSINESS NAME	ADDRESS
1	B-1	P	Aldi's (Aldi's Inc.)	726 W South St
2	B-1	P	Casey's General Store #3652 (Casey's Retail Co.)	1775 S West Ave
3	B-1	P	Circle K #1429 (Mac's Convenience Stores LLC)	838 Galena Ave
4	B-1	P	Circle K #1439 (Mac's Convenience Stores LLC)	610 W South St
5	B-2	P	Cub Foods (Cub Stores, Inc.)	1512 S West Ave
6	B-2	P	CVS Pharmacy #8533 (Highland Park CVS LLC)	721 W South St
7	B-2	P	CVS Pharmacy #8540 (Highland Park CVS LLC)	1535 W Galena Ave
8	W-V	LR-V	Dotty's (Illinois Cafe & Service Co., LLC)	2014 W Galena Ave, Suite B
9	B-1	LR-P-V	Express Lane Gas & Food Mart (Expresslane Inc.)	1736 S West Ave
10	B-1	P	Freeport Mobil (Kelley Williamson Co.)	1730 S West Ave
11	B-2	P	Horizon Super Market Inc.	1130 S Galena Ave
12	M	M	Park Hills Golf Course Freeport (Park District)	3240 W Stephenson St
13	A-V	A-V-P	Shawnee Tap, Ed Domino, Proprietor	904 E Shawnee St
14	B-2	P	Sullivan's Foods (JB Sullivan's)	2002 W Galena Ave
15	A-V	A-V	Sunshine Liquors (Runte Sunshine Liquors)	200 S Adams
16	A-V	A-V	Ten Pennies Internet Café (Ten Pennies Place Ltd.)	1007 Galena Ave, Suite B

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17	B-2	P	Walgreens #02584 (Bond Drug Company of Illinois LLC)	835 W Galena Ave
18	B-2	P	Walgreens #12287 (Walgreen Co.)	1732 S West Ave

Mayor Miller stated that items #8 and #15 would be removed from the Consent Agenda and approved separately.

Commissioner Parker moved and Commissioner Mahoney seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented subject to approval of the Chief of Police (with items #8 and #15 removed). Motion prevailed by a voice vote.

Consent Agenda Item #8 – Commissioner Mahoney moved to approve Illinois Cafe & Service Co., LLC d/b/a Dotty’s for a Class “W-V”, which is grandfathered in, subject to approval of the Chief of Police. Commissioner Parker seconded and the motion prevailed by voice vote.

Consent Agenda Item #15 – The “P” (supplemental packaged sales) was not listed on the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Davis moved to approve Runte Sunshine Liquor d/b/a Sunshine Liquors for a Class “A-PV” liquor license, subject to approval of the Chief of Police. Commissioner Mahoney seconded and the motion prevailed by voice vote.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Unfinished Business

None

Item 4.A – Consideration of Barbara Gomez as Resident Manager for Gomez Reyes Group Inc. d/b/a Galena Supermarket and Restaurant at 207 S. Galena Avenue, Freeport, Illinois

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve Barbara Gomez as the Resident Manager for Galena Supermarket and Restaurant, seconded by Commissioner Fernstaedt, and the motion carried unanimously.

Item 4.B – Consideration of T-1 Temporary Liquor License for Lena Area Special Event Runners (LASER) for Stephenson County Fair on June 27, 28, 29, 30, and July 1, 2018

Danielle Rogers with the Stephenson County Fairgrounds Board informed us that there will be no liquor sales on Sunday, July 1, 2018. Commissioner Parker made a motion to approve LASER for a T-1 Temporary Liquor License from June 27 – 29, 2018, contingent upon approval of all Department Heads. Commissioner Davis seconded and the motion prevailed by voice vote.

Item 4.C – Consideration of T-1 Temporary Liquor License for Freeport Downtown Development Foundation for Prohibition Freeport on July 22, 2018

There was a correction on the date of July 14, 2018. Katie Gentz explained that the first two locations are “secret” with final stops at Mort’s and The Wagner House. Commissioner Parker made a motion to approve the T-1 Temporary Liquor License on July 14, 2018; seconded by Commissioner Fernstaedt; and the motion prevailed by voice vote.

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Item 4.D – Approval of Renewal Application for a Class R Liquor License and Consideration of Amanda Morhardt as Resident Manager for The Bloomin' Apple Freeport, LLC d/b/a Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve a Class R Liquor License for Applebee's and Amanda Morhardt as Resident Manager (contingent upon approval of background check). Commissioner Mahoney seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Item 4.E – Licensees who have not submitted applications for liquor license renewal

There were 20 outstanding liquor license applications as of this date. There was discussion as to not having a special meeting towards the end of the month to accommodate late applicants. Phone calls will be made from the Clerk's office to remind licensees to submit their applications. Upon a review of calendars, there was question of having a quorum on the regularly scheduled meeting on June 14, 2018. It was decided to move the regular meeting to June 21, 2018, to have a quorum and to hopefully allow sufficient time for licensees to apply.

Discussion ensued regarding the transition to a new application process. Many licensees have not kept copies of their annual license. It is difficult to find where to print the state application online. Many licensees are submitting incomplete applications. Next year the plan is to print out the information we have on file and applicants will sign off if it is complete or note changes. Attorney Cox stated that minor changes will be made to the Ordinance to adjust for any anomalies that have been identified.

The interest in Supplemental Outdoor Sales has increased. A question has arisen regarding the need for a Special Use Permit outside of downtown. This will need to be addressed prior to approving applications for the Supplemental Outdoor Sales.

Clerk Anderson reported that 29 people attended the BASSET training this morning at City Hall. Attorney Cox stated that Police Chief Barkalow is agreeable to offering this twice per year.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dovie L. Anderson, City Clerk