



WHEATON LOCAL LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

WHEATON CITY HALL, 303 W WESLEY STREET, WHEATON, ILLINOIS 60187

June 13, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. Kozik called the June 13, 2019 meeting of the Local Liquor Control Commission meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers of the Wheaton City Hall, 303 West Wesley Street.

Upon roll call, the following were present: Commissioner Brown, Commissioner Pearse, Commissioner Sender, Chair Taylor and Commissioner Wolgemuth. Absent: None. City Staff Present: James P. Kozik, Director of Planning and Economic Development.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 9, 2019

Commissioner Brown Wolgemuth moved and Commissioner Brown seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2019 Local Liquor Control Commission meeting as submitted. On a voice vote, all voted aye.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Outdoor Special Event Liquor License - Downtown Wheaton Association - Wheaton Wine Walk

Ms. Paula Barrington, Executive Director of the Downtown Wheaton Association, was in attendance to present the DWA's application for an Outdoor Special Event Liquor Licenses for the Wheaton Wine Walk to the Commission.

Ms. Barrington stated that the Wheaton Wine Walk will be held on Thursday, August 8th from 5 pm to 8:30 pm. Ms. Barrington stated that the event fundraiser planned as a ticketed wine tasting event. The DWA will sell tasting tickets (\$35 for 12- one ounce tastings in advance and \$40 the day of the event) to the public on-line and at the check in tent at Martin Memorial Plaza on the day of the event. All ticket holders will check in at Martin Memorial Plaza to be carded and receive a wristband (must be 21 years or older); receive their tasting tickets, souvenir wine glass, and a walking map of all the tasting locations.

Ms. Barrington stated that the tasting locations will be inside participating restaurants and select retailers. The DWA will be purchasing the wine and distributing it to the tasting locations. Each location will have one to two wines offered for tastings. Each location will have a Basset trained person (21 years or older) as the server. A special wine stopper that only allows for 1-ounce pours will be in each opened bottle. The server will be responsible for marking off each tasting on the participant's tasting ticket.

All tastings must be consumed inside the business premises. Signs will be posted inside the doorways noting that all tastings must be finished inside- no alcohol allowed outside. At each tasting station, a tray of appetizers will be available to participants to enjoy.

Free Tuk Tuk service and a school bus trolley will circulate in the Downtown area to provide transportation from the north side of the Downtown to the tasting locations on the south side of Downtown, live music will be provided at the "W" Plaza and by Andrew's Garden; at Hale and Wesley and that glass rinsing stations (portable water coolers and buckets to catch the water) will be located on the sidewalk on each street of Hale, Front, Main and Wesley.

Commissioner Pearse asked if there have been any incidents with past events. Ms. Barrington stated no.

Commissioner Brown questioned whether or not food will be provided. Ms. Barrington stated that tasting locations have been asked to provide small snacks.

Hearing no further questions or comments, Commissioner Pearse moved and Commissioner Sender seconded a motion to recommend approval of the Outdoor Special Event Liquor License to the Downtown Wheaton Association for their Wheaton Wine Walk to be held on Thursday, August 8th. On a roll call vote, all vote aye.

Outdoor Special Event Liquor License – DuPage County Fair Association – DuPage County Fair

Mr. Jim McGuire, Executive Director of the DuPage Fair Association, was in attendance to present the Association's application for an Outdoor Special Event Liquor Licenses for the DuPage County Fair to the Commission.

Mr. McGuire stated that the Fair is to be held July 24th thru the 28th and the Fair Association is proposing four areas (the same as last year) within the Fairgrounds for the sale of alcohol. As in previous years, the areas devoted to the sale of alcohol will either be indoors or completely fenced off. Mr. McGuire stated that there will be no large concert venue again this year. Wheaton Police and BASSET/Wheaton Police-trained volunteers will be on duty at the entrances to check ID's and "band" attendees wishing to purchase alcohol. All servers at the event will receive alcohol training pursuant to the Liquor Ordinance requirements. The alcohol sales hours will be 5PM – 10PM Wednesday and Thursday; 2PM – 11PM Friday; 1PM – 11PM Saturday and 1PM – 9PM on Sunday. The sales of Alcohol will end one hour before close.

Hearing no questions or comments, Commissioner Brown moved and Commissioner Wolgemuth seconded a motion to recommend approval of the Outdoor Special Event Liquor License to the DuPage County Fair Association for the DuPage County Fair to be held July 24th thru the 28th. On a roll call vote, all vote aye.

V. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

James P. Kozik, AICP
Director of Planning and Economic Development