

City of Monroe  
License Committee Minutes  
August 16, 2016

A. ROLL CALL

Chairperson Thoman called the meeting to order. Present at roll call were Alderpersons Thoman, Beer. Also present were other Alders, city staff and City Attorney Bartholf, and Bridget Cooke of the Monroe Times. Alder Boyce was absent. Alder Miller arrived later in the meeting.

B. CORRECTION OF MINUTES

None

C. BUSINESS

1. TEMPORARY CLASS "B" FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE APPLICATION FOR GREEN COUNTY AG SOCIETY FOR AN OUTDOOR BEER GARDEN IN CONJUNCTION WITH TRACTOR PULL.

City Clerk Stamm explained it is the same as what the Fair Association did last year with the Truck and Tractor Pull. They are licensing the whole Fairgrounds for fermented malt beverages only. Alder Miller arrived while City Clerk Stamm was explaining the event. Alder Beer made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Alder Miller. Motion carried on voice vote.

2. REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY AMENDMENT TO LICENSED PREMISES FOR CLASS "B" LIQUOR AND FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE ISSUED TO TURNER HALL OF MONROE, INC TO ADD OUTDOOR BEER GARDEN SPACE FOR CHEESE DAYS.

City Clerk Stamm explained this is similar to what they did two years ago at the last Cheese Days however, they now have a permanent beer garden outside so they are extending that beer garden for Cheese Days. Questions and discussion took place. Alder Beer made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Alder Miller. Motion carried on voice vote.

3. REQUEST FOR AMENDMENT TO LICENSED PREMISES FOR SINNERS LLC TO EXPAND OUTDOOR BEER GARDEN

City Clerk Stamm explained Sinners currently has a beer garden. This is expanding that area a bit and adding a walkway/ramp from the front door into the fenced in beer garden area. It has been reviewed by city staff and everything looks fine. This will be a permanent change. Questions and discussion took place. Alder Miller made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Alder Beer. Motion carried on voice vote.

4. FEES FOR PROVISIONAL ALCOHOL RETAIL AND PROVISIONAL ALCOHOL OPERATOR LICENSES

City Clerk Stamm explained in the new ordinance there is a new section on provisional licenses for operators and retail sales. If they meet all the requirements they can get a license ahead of the Council meeting on a temporary basis and it explains what happens if it is not approved. A fee needs to be set for these licenses as it is extra work and they are getting it ahead of the normal process. State statute says the maximum fee that can be charged is \$15. She recommends going with the maximum of \$15 for both.

Questions and discussion took place. Alder Beer made a motion to approve the fee at \$15 for both. The motion was seconded by Alder Miller. Motion carried on voice vote.

5. FEE FOR CLASS "B" LIQUOR LICNESES ISSUED AS A QUOTA EXCEPTION TO A THEATER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS OPERATED BY A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION AUTHORIZING THE RETAIL SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR ONLY FOR CONSUMPTION ON PREMISES WHERE SOLD AND ONLY IN CONNECTION WITH TICKETED PERFORMANCES.

City Clerk Stamm explained this was on the agenda looking ahead to the possibility of the Arts Center applying for a license. Upon reading the state statutes again it does say the fee for all "Class B" liquor licenses shall be the same. That means even if they are under the exception they still have to pay the fee. It is currently \$500. If they Arts Center want this type of license and will only be able to sell liquor on nights of performances it has to pay \$500 per year. That is set by state statute. Clerk Stamm did have City Attorney Bartholf double check her interpretation and he agreed with her. Questions and discussion took place. They can apply for the beer license now, if the ordnance is passed tonight, that will allow them to serve fermented malt beverages at any time during the year. No action needed. More discussion took place.

- D. BUSINESS BY MEMBERS  
NONE

- E. ADJOURNMENT  
Motion made by Alderperson Miller and seconded by Alderperson Beer to adjourn. Motion carried.

Transcribed by:  
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