

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE BEER BOARD OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE

February 17, 2015 – 6:00 p.m.  
Main Assembly Room, City-County Building

Chairwoman Brenda Palmer called to order the meeting of the Beer Board.  
All members of the Beer Board were present as follows: Daniel Brown, Mark Campen, Nick Della Volpe, Duane Grieve, Vice-Mayor Nick Pavlis, Finbarr Saunders, Marshall Stair and George Wallace.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Vice-Mayor Pavlis moved to approve the minutes from the January 20, 2015 Beer Board meeting.  
Second: Council Members Della Volpe and Wallace.  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye."  
Disposition: Minutes approved.

## PERMIT REQUESTS

Reporting for KPD: Sgt. Tracy Hunter, Inspections Unit  
Reporting for Revenue: Donna Dyer and Wanda Day

- 1. LESLIE MAHDI, APPLICANT**  
**BABYLON CAFE**  
5640 CLINTON HIGHWAY  
LESLIE MAHDI , OWNER  
MAJID MAHDI , MANAGER  
ON/OFF PREMISE

KPD: Manager has not been in for processing.  
Discussion: Leslie Mahdi stated that the manager has been removed from the application.  
Revenue: The Building Inspection approval is needed to complete the file.  
Motion: Council Member Campen moved to approve pending final documentation.  
Second: Council Member Saunders  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye."  
Disposition: Beer permit approved pending final documentation.

- 2. CENTER CITY EVENTS INC, APPLICANT**  
**CENTER CITY EVENTS INC**  
920 VOLUNTEER LANDING LN  
CENTER CITY EVENTS INC , OWNER  
JOHN CRAIG , MANAGER  
TEMPORARY

John Craig was present to represent Center City Events, Inc.

KPD: No TASK Class or fingerprinting/background for manager.

Revenue: The designation letter and plan for server compliance are needed for the file and the Manager has not been in for fingerprinting or background check.  
Motion: Council Member Brown moved to postpone the matter to March 17, 2015.  
Second: Council Member Della Volpe and Vice-Mayor Pavlis seconded the motion.  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye."  
Disposition: Postponed to March 17, 2015.

3. **CENTER CITY EVENTS INC, APPLICANT**  
**CENTER CITY EVENTS INC**  
920 VOLUNTEER LANDING LN  
CENTER CITY EVENTS INC , OWNER  
JOHN CRAIG , MANAGER  
TEMPORARY

See discussion for Item #2.

Motion: Council Member Grieve moved to postpone to March 17, 2015.  
Second: Council Member Della Volpe.  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye."  
Disposition: Postponed to March 17, 2015.

4. **COLD FUSION BREWING LLC, APPLICANT**  
**COLD FUSION BREWING LLC**  
637B MARYVILLE PIKE  
COLD FUSION BREWING LLC , OWNER  
ISAAC PRIVETT , OWNER  
ADAM PRIVETT , OWNER  
MFG/DIST

KPD: No applicable record  
Revenue: The Building Inspection and Fire Prevention approvals are needed to complete the file.  
Motion: Vice-Mayor Pavlis moved to approve pending final documentation.  
Second: Council Members Brown and Saunders  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye."  
Disposition: Beer permit approved pending final documentation.

5. **CRAFTY BASTARD BREWERY, APPLICANT**  
**CRAFTY BASTARD BREWERY**  
6 EMORY PL  
CRAFTY BASTARD BREWERY INC , OWNER  
AARON MCCLAIN , OWNER  
CHARLES S DAVIS , OWNER  
ON/OFF PREMISE  
(See #6 Below for vote and discussion)

6. **CRAFTY BASTARD BREWERY, APPLICANT**  
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CRAFTY BASTARD BREWERY INC , OWNER  
AARON MCLAIN , OWNER  
CHARLES S DAVIS , OWNER  
MFG/DIST

KPD: No applicable record  
Revenue: The Building Inspection, Fire Prevention and Health Department approvals are needed to complete the file.  
Discussion: Chairwoman Palmer explained that there is a distance requirement problem - too close to Lutheran Church.  
Attorney Rob Frost, Council Members Della Volpe, Grieve and Brown.  
Motion: Council Member Brown moved to postpone #5 & #6 to March 17.  
Second: Vice-Mayor Pavlis  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye."  
Disposition: Postponed to March 17, 2015.

7. **DOGWOOD ARTS FESTIVAL INC, APPLICANT**  
**DOGWOOD ARTS FESTIVAL INC**  
602 S GAY ST M LEVEL  
DOGWOOD ARTS FESTIVAL INC , OWNER  
LISA DUNCAN , MANAGER  
TEMPORARY

KPD: No applicable record  
Revenue: File complete.  
Motion: Council Member Brown moved to approve the beer permit.  
Second: Council Member Della Volpe.  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye."  
Disposition: Beer permit approved.

8. **CENTURY AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS LLC, APPLICANT**  
**JUST RIPE**  
513 UNION AVE  
CENTURY AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS LLC , OWNER  
CHRISTOPHER N BURGER IRREVOCABLE TRUST , OWNER  
DUSTIN BUSBY , MANAGER  
ON/OFF PREMISE

KPD: No TASK class or no fingerprinting/background check has been done.  
Revenue: The LLC, Building Inspection, Fire Prevention and Health Department approvals are needed to complete the file.  
Motion: Council Member Grieve moved to postpone the matter to the March 17 Beer Board meeting.  
Second: Council Member Wallace.  
Vote: All "Aye" except Stair "Abstained."  
Disposition: Beer permit was postponed to March 17, 2015  
\*\*\*SEE LATER IN MINUTES – RECONSIDERATION AND ADDITIONAL VOTE.

9. **KNOX VEGAS CO, APPLICANT**  
**MADDHATTERS SPORTS BAR AND GRILL**  
7204 ASHEVILLE HWY  
KNOX VEGAS CO , OWNER  
DAVID RUSSELL , OWNER  
ON/OFF PREMISE, WITH DANCING

KPD: No applicable record.  
Revenue: The sales tax registration, Certificate of Zoning, Fire Prevention and the former owner's beer permit are needed to complete the file.  
Motion: Council Member Della Volpe moved to approve pending final documentation.  
Second: Council Member Wallace.  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye."  
Disposition: Beer permit approved pending final documentation.

10. **PRESERVATION PUB, APPLICANT**  
**PRESERVATION PUB (SPEC EVENTS)**  
28 MARKET SQUARE  
PRESERVATION PUB INC , OWNER  
CULLEN KEHOE , MANAGER  
TEMPORARY

KPD: Mr. Kehoe has not been in for fingerprinting.  
Revenue: Fingerprinting for Mr. Kehoe, a Plan for server compliance and an event date correction are needed to complete the file.  
Discussion: Vice-Mayor Pavlis, Mr. Kehoe, Council Members Della Volpe, Stair and Wallace, Chairwoman Palmer, Attorney Frost and Bernadette West.  
Motion: Council Member Wallace moved to postpone the matter to a Special Meeting to be held March 3 at 6:45 p.m.  
Second: Council Member Grieve.  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye."  
Disposition: Postponed to Special meeting on March 3, 2015 at 6:45 p.m.

**RECONSIDERATION OF ITEM #8 AS FOLLOWS:**

- 8. CENTURY AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS LLC, APPLICANT  
JUST RIPE  
513 UNION AVE  
CENTURY AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS LLC , OWNER  
CHRISTOPHER N BURGER IRREVOCABLE TRUST , OWNER  
DUSTIN BUSBY , MANAGER  
ON/OFF PREMISE**

**Motion:** Council Member Della Volpe moved to reconsider the beer permit request.  
**Second:** Council Member Grieve.  
**Vote:** Unanimous "Aye."  
**Disposition:** Reconsideration

**Motion:** Council Member Della Volpe moved to postpone Item #8 to the March 3, 2015 Special Beer Board meeting (Instead of March 17 Regular Meeting).  
**Second:** Council Member Saunders  
**Vote:** Unanimous "Aye."  
**Disposition:** Postponed to March 3, 2015 Special Meeting.

- 11. PIANO BAR LLC, APPLICANT  
ROCKY TOPS PIANO BAR  
1901 CUMBERLAND AVE  
PIANO BAR LLC , OWNER  
MARK TONER , OWNER  
RUSTY PENLAND , MANAGER  
ON/OFF PREMISE**

**KPD:** Manager has not been in for fingerprints/background check.  
**Revenue:** Health Department approval and the former owner's beer permit are needed to complete the file.  
**Motion:** Council Member Grieve moved to postpone the matter to the special Beer Board meeting scheduled for March 3, 2015 at 6:45 p.m.  
**Second:** Council Member Wallace.  
**Vote:** Unanimous "Aye."  
**Disposition:** Postponed to March 3, 2015 Special Meeting.

- 12. SWEET P'S BARBEQUE AND SOUL HOUSE LLC, APPLICANT  
SWEET P'S BARBEQUE AND DOWNTOWN DIVE  
410 W JACKSON AVE  
SWEET P'S BARBECUE AND SOUL HOUSE LLC , OWNER  
CHRIS FORD , OWNER**

JONATHAN FORD , OWNER  
JOSH RUSSELL , MANAGER  
GINA TRUITT , MANAGER  
ON/OFF PREMISE

KPD: No applicable record  
Revenue: Building Inspection, Fire Prevention and Health Department approvals are needed to complete the file.  
Motion: Council Member Brown moved to approve the beer permit pending final documentation.  
Second: Council Member Saunders and Vice-mayor Pavlis.  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye."  
Disposition: Beer permit approved pending final documentation.

13. **WHISKEY BENT BAR & DANCE CLUB LLC, APPLICANT**  
**WHISKEY BENT BAR & DANCE CLUB LLC**  
4330 N BROADWAY  
WHISKEY BENT BAR & DANCE CLUB LLC , OWNER  
JOSH WIRES , OWNER  
ON/OFF PREMISE, WITH DANCING

KPD: No applicable record.  
Revenue: The following documents are needed to complete the file: Sales tax registration, Building Inspection, Fire Prevention and Health Department approvals.  
Motion: Council Member Della Volpe moved to approve pending final documentation.  
Second: Vice-Mayor Pavlis.  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye."  
Disposition: Beer permit approved pending final documentation.

14. **THE SHANKLIN GROUP INC, APPLICANT**  
**WHISPERS BANQUET HALL**  
2658 E MAGNOLIA AVE  
THE SHANKLIN GROUP INC , OWNER  
HERBERT F SHANKLIN JR , OWNER  
ON/OFF PREMISE

KPD: No applicable record.  
Revenue: Building Inspection and Fire Prevention approvals are needed to complete the file.  
Discussion: Council Member Daniel Brown.  
Motion: Postpone the matter to March 17, 2015.  
Second: Vice- Mayor Pavlis and Council Member Wallace.  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye."  
Disposition: Postponed to March 17, 2015.

**ADDENDUM TO BEER PERMIT**  
**February 17, 2015**

**A. Previously presented for Beer Board consideration:**

1. **Scruffy City Hall, 32 Market Square (District 6):** Approved "pending final documentation" at March 18, 2014 meeting. Extension to January, 2015 meeting granted at June 6, 2014 meeting. Registered mailing sent December 29, 2014. No one appeared at January 20, 2015 meeting, but Beer Board granted a 30-day extension. Corresponded with applicant through e-mail after January meeting. Applicant to appear at February meeting.

Bernadette West was present to address the Beer Board.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Pavlis moved to extend the beer permit to March 17, 2015.

Second: Council Member Della Volpe.

Vote: Unanimous "Aye."

Disposition: Beer permit extended to March 17, 2015.

**B. Presented for Beer Board consideration:**

1. **Bar Marley, 760 Stone Street NW (District 6):** Approved "pending final documentation" at November 25, 2014 meeting. Registered mailing sent January 21, 2015. Signature card not returned, but corresponded with applicant through e-mail. Applicant to appear at February meeting.

Caleb Boyers was present to address the Beer Board.

Motion: Council Member Della Volpe moved to extend the Beer Board permit to April 28 Beer Board meeting.

Second: Council Member Campen.

Vote: Unanimous "Aye."

Disposition: Beer permit extended to April 28, 2015.

**TABC BEER HEARING**  
**February 17, 2015**

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| 1. <b>KOI ASIA, INC.</b>                       | <b>TABC HEARING ONLY</b>     |
| <b>d/b/a KOI FUSION, COCOA MOON@KOI FUSION</b> | No fine required             |
| <b>19 MARKET SQUARE</b>                        | First remedial plan attached |
| <b>KNOXVILLE, TN 37902</b>                     | No revised remedial required |

Attorney Frost addressed the new statute regarding TABC Hearings before the Beer Board. Sending the establishments to a Hearing Officer after receiving TABC notice is no longer mandatory but left to the discretion of the Beer Board.

Discussion: Council Members Della Volpe and Wallace and Chairwoman Palmer.  
There was no further action taken by the Beer Board.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting closed at 6:53 p.m.

*Brenda Palmer*

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Chair

*Cindy Mitchell*

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Recorder