

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

February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – 5:00pm  
Main Assembly Room, City-County Building

Chairwoman Palmer called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

The following Beer Board members were present: Daniel Brown, Mark Campen, Nick Della Volpe, Finbarr Saunders, Marshall Stair, and George Wallace.

Vice-Mayor Duane Grieve arrived after the roll-call at approximately 5:01pm.

Council Member Nick Pavlis was absent.

## **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion: Council Member Wallace moved to approve the minutes from the January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 Regular Session of the Beer Board.

Second: Council Member Brown

Vote: Unanimous “Aye”

Disposition: Minutes approved

Vice-Mayor Grieve arrived following the approval of the minutes, at approximately 5:01pm

## **Permit Requests:**

Reporting for the Revenue Office: Donna Dyer and Wanda Day

Reporting for KPD: Sgt. John Coward

### **1. HERIBERTO HERNANDEZ, APPLICANT**

#### **AMIGOS TEQUILA**

4824 HARVEST MILL WAY

HERIBERTO HERNANDEZ, OWNER

ON/OFF PREMISE

Heriberto Hernandez was present to address the Beer Board

KPD: No record

Revenue: File complete

Motion: Council Member Della Volpe moved to approve the beer permit.

Second: Council Member Saunders

Vote: Unanimous “Aye”

Disposition: Beer permit approved

**2. SHREE GANESH HOSPITALITY LLC, APPLICANT**

**CLARION HOTEL**

5335 CENTRAL AVENUE PK  
SHREE GANESH HOSPITALITY LLC, OWNER  
HARDIKKUMAR PATEL, OWNER  
SHASHIKANT PATEL, OWNER  
MANHER PATEL, OWNER  
ISHWAR PATEL, OWNER  
NANCY PICKLE, MANAGER  
ON/OFF PREMISE

Chad Tindell was present to represent the applicant, and he requested a one month postponement.

Motion: Council Member Della Volpe moved to postpone the matter to March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Second: Council Member Wallace

Vote: Unanimous "Aye"

Disposition: Postponed to March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**3. DOGWOOD ARTS INC, APPLICANT**

**DOGWOOD ARTS INC**

123 W JACKSON AVE  
DOGWOOD ARTS INC, OWNER  
GARRETT THOMSON, MANAGER  
TEMPORARY

Garrett Thomson was present to address the Beer Board.

KPD: No record

Revenue: File complete

Motion: Council Member Della Volpe moved to approve the beer permit.

Second: Council Member Brown

Vote: Unanimous "Aye"

Disposition: Beer permit approved

**4. EAST TENNESSEE KIDNEY FOUNDATION, APPLICANT**

**EAST TENNESSEE KIDNEY FOUNDATION**

P O BOX 22072  
EAST TENNESSEE KIDNEY FOUNDATION, OWNER  
KATHRYN "KATIE" R MARTIN, MANAGER  
TEMPORARY

Kathryn Martin was present to address the Beer Board.

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

**5. K-VA-T FOOD STORES INC, APPLICANT**

**FOOD CITY #694**

284 MORRELL RD

K-VA-T FOOD STORES INC, OWNER

STEVEN CURTIS SMITH, OWNER

STEPHANIE SMITH DAVID, OWNER

SHARON HEMBREE MARITAL TRUST, THOMAS HEMBREE TRUSTEE, OWNER

PAMELA S MOORE, MANAGER

ON/OFF PREMISE

Pamela Moore was present to address the Beer Board.

KPD: Background checks are missing for owners Steven Curtis Smith and Stephanie Smith David.  
Revenue: The owner/manager application is incomplete for owner Sharon Hembree Marital Trust.  
Motion: Vice-Mayor Grieve moved to postpone the matter to March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017.  
Second: Council Member Campen  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye"  
Disposition: Postponed to March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**6. ICHIBAN FORTUNE INC, APPLICANT**

**ICHIBAN JAPANESE GRILL**

6737 CLINTON HWY

ICHIBAN FORTUNE INC, OWNER

MIN CHEN, OWNER

XIN PING WU, OWNER

ON/OFF PREMISE

Min Chen was present to address the Beer Board.

KPD: No record  
Revenue: File complete  
Motion: Chairwoman Palmer moved to approve the beer permit  
Second: Council Member Saunders

Vote: Unanimous "Aye"  
Disposition: Beer permit approved

**7. LANCER HOSPITALITY TENNESSEE LLC, APPLICANT  
KNOXVILLE ZOO (LANCER HOSPITALITY)**

3500 KNOXVILLE ZOO DR  
LANCER HOSPITALITY TENNESSEE LLC, OWNER  
GLEN PAUL BARON, OWNER  
STEPHEN WHITING CRAVER, OWNER  
JASON BOWEN, MANAGER  
ON/OFF PREMISE, WITH DANCING

Chairwoman Palmer announced that the applicant had requested a one month postponement.

Motion: Chairwoman Palmer moved to postpone the matter to March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017.  
Second: Council Member Brown  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye"  
Disposition: Postponed to March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**8. MOB KNOX LLC, APPLICANT  
MERCHANTS OF BEER**

137 S CENTRAL ST  
MOB KNOX LLC, OWNER  
KARIM BOGHANI, OWNER  
LAXMIKANTH SURASANI, OWNER  
ROBERT I MCCARTER, MANAGER  
ON/OFF PREMISE

Karim Boghani was present to address the Beer Board.

KPD: No record on owners Karim Boghani and Laxmikanth Surasani.  
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 Campen  
Discussion: Council Member Della Volpe, Rob Frost, Special Counsel and Advisor to the Beer Board, and Council Member Stair  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye"  
Disposition: Beer permit approved pending final documentation

**9. REGAL CINEMAS INC, APPLICANT  
PINNACLE STADIUM 18**

11240 PARKSIDE DR

REGAL CINEMAS INC, OWNER  
JULIE ADAMS, MANAGER  
ON/OFF PREMISE

John Curry was present to address the Beer Board.

KPD: No record  
Revenue: File complete  
Motion: Vice-Mayor Grieve moved to approve the beer permit.  
Second: Council Member Saunders  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye"  
Disposition: Beer permit approved

**10. THE PLAID APRON LLC, APPLICANT**

**PLAID APRON, THE**  
1210 KENESAW AVE  
THE PLAID APRON LLC, OWNER  
WILLIAM DREW MCDONALD, OWNER  
BONNI LEIGH MCDONALD, OWNER  
ON/OFF PREMISE

William Drew McDonald was present to address the Beer Board

KPD: No record  
Revenue: File complete  
Motion: Vice-Mayor Grieve moved to approve the beer permit.  
Second: Council Member Saunders  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye"  
Disposition: Beer permit approved

**11. JMISC LLC, APPLICANT**

**POUR TAPROOM KNOXVILLE**  
207 W JACKSON AVE  
JMISC LLC, OWNER  
CAITLIN RILEY, OWNER  
SAMI NATOUR, OWNER  
MARIAN MCLEAD, OWNER  
JOEL MCLEAD, OWNER  
ON/OFF PREMISE

Chairwoman Palmer announced that this application would be postponed.

Discussion: Rob Frost, Special Counsel and Advisor to the Beer Board; and Council Member Della Volpe

Motion: Council Member Della Volpe moved to postpone the matter to March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017.  
Second: Council Member Campen  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye"  
Disposition: Postponed to March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**12. ZAYD LLC, APPLICANT**

**QUICK STOP Z**

815 W BAXTER AVE  
ZAYD LLC, OWNER  
NIZAR LALANI, OWNER  
JALAL BOUDARGA, OWNER  
TAOUFIK ELANSARI, OWNER  
OFF PREMISE

At this time, no one was present to address the Beer Board.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Grieve moved to hear this matter at the end of the agenda.  
Second: Council Member Wallace  
Vote: Unanimous "Aye"  
This matter was disposed of at the end of the agenda.

**13. SPIRIT OF HOPE CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION, APPLICANT**

**SPIRIT OF HOPE CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION**

1886 METRO CENTER DR STE 230 RESTON VA 20190  
SPIRIT OF HOPE CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION, OWNER  
GREG NIVENS, MANAGER  
TEMPORARY

Greg Nivens was present to address the Beer Board.

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

**14. TOP106 LLC, APPLICANT**

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106 S CENTRAL ST  
TOP106 LLC, OWNER  
AARON GOODMAN, OWNER  
MARK JERNIGAN, OWNER

LEIGH BURCH III, OWNER  
CHRIS WEIGEL, OWNER  
ON/OFF PREMISE, WITH DANCING

Chairwoman Palmer announced that the applicant requested a withdrawal.

Motion: Council Member Della Volpe moved to withdraw the matter.

Second: Council Member Campen

Vote: Unanimous "Aye"

Disposition: Matter withdrawn

### **Addendum to the Beer Board Agenda:**

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

1. **City Lights Bar & Grill, LLC, 1103 Sevier Ave (District 1):** Approved "subject to final documentation" at July 19, 2016 meeting. Extension to December 20, 2016 granted at October 25, 2016 meeting. No one appeared at December meeting so application request was "tabled" but reheard per Ms. Wilton's written request at January 17, 2017 meeting. Extension to February 28, 2017 meeting granted at January 17, 2017 meeting.

Donna Dyer reported that they have released this permit.

2. **Sokno Taco Cantina, 3701 Sevierville Pike (District 1):** Approved "subject to final documentation" at September 27, 2016 meeting. Registered mailing sent November 29, 2016. Mail returned "unclaimed" December 13, 2016. No one appeared at December 20, 2016 but board granted 30-day extension to January 17, 2017. Board granted 30-day extension to February 28, 2017 at meeting of January 17, 2017 (representative appeared at meeting).

Donna Dyer reported that they have released this permit.

3. **Taste of Viet, LLC, The, 215 N Peters Rd (District 2):** Approved "subject to final documentation" at October 25, 2016 meeting. Registered mail sent December 28, 2016. Signature card returned December 30, 2016. No one appeared at January 17, 2017 meeting, but extension granted to February 28, 2017 granted by Board.

File needs: Building Inspection approval, copy of sales tax registration, and surrender of former owner's beer permit

Discussion: Chairwoman Palmer, Council Member Della Volpe, Wanda Day, Vice-Mayor Grieve, and Rob Frost, Special Counsel and Advisor to the Beer Board

No action was taken to extend the beer permit.

4. **Weigel's #84, 3925 Chapman Hwy (District 1)**: Approved "subject to final documentation" at June 10, 2014 Special Meeting. Six-month extension granted at September 16, 2014 meeting to March 17, 2015. Six-month extension to September 15, 2015 meeting granted at March 17, 2015 meeting. Twelve-month extension to September 27, 2016 meeting granted September 15, 2015. Extension to February 28, 2017 meeting granted at September 27, 2016 meeting (written request for extension attached).

File needs: Health Department, Building Inspection, and Fire Prevention approvals

Chairwoman Palmer announced that the applicant requested a six-month extension.

Motion: Council Member Della Volpe moved to extend the beer permit for six months.

Second: Vice-Mayor Grieve

Vote: Unanimous "Aye"

Disposition: Beer permit extended to August 15, 2017

5. **Weigel's, 3815 Western Ave (District 3)**: Approved "subject to final documentation" at September 16, 2014 meeting. Twenty-four month extension granted at December 18, 2014 meeting to December 17, 2016. Sixty-day extension granted at December 17, 2016 meeting to February 28, 2017 (Written request for extension attached.)

File needs: Health Department, Building Inspection, and Fire Prevention approvals

Chairwoman Palmer announced that the applicant requested a nine-month extension.

Motion: Council Member Campen moved to extend the beer permit for nine months.

Second: Council Member Della Volpe

Vote: Unanimous "Aye"

Disposition: Beer permit extended to November 21, 2017

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

1. **Abridged Beer Co., LLC, 100 Lockett Rd (District 2)**: Approved "subject to final documentation" at November 22, 2016 meeting. Registered mail sent January 20, 2017. Signature card returned January 27, 2017.



File needs: Health Department, Building Inspection, and Fire Prevention approvals

Jesse Bowers was present to request a ninety-day extension.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Grieve moved to extend the beer permit for ninety-days.

Second: Council Member Wallace

Vote: Unanimous "Aye"

Disposition: Beer permit extended to May 23, 2017.

2. **Landing House, 1147 Sevier Ave (District 1)**: Approved "subject to final documentation" at November 22, 2016 meeting. Registered mail sent January 20, 2017. Signature card returned February 22, 2017.

File needs: Health Department, Building Inspection, and Fire Prevention approvals

No one was present to represent the applicant.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Grieve moved to extend the beer permit to March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Second: Council Member Campen

Vote: Unanimous "Aye"

Disposition: Beer permit extended to March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

### **Administrative Hearings:**

1. **Bonefish Grill #0806** **Administrative Hearing**  
11395 Parkside Dr  
Knoxville, TN 37934

Matt Hudson was present to address the Beer Board.

No further action taken

2. **Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar** **Administrative Hearing**  
5316 Central Avenue Pike  
Knoxville, TN 37912

Andy Keck was present to address the Beer Board.

Discussion: Council Members Campen and Della Volpe, Sgt. Coward, Council Member Wallace, and Chairwoman Palmer

No further action taken

3. **Bistro by the Tracks/  
Drink @ Bistro by the Tracks** **TABC Hearing**  
215 Brookview Center Way

Knoxville, TN 37919

Greg Harrison was present to represent the permittee.

Discussion: Council Member Stair, Greg Harrison, Randy Burleson, owner; Council Member Della Volpe, and Vice-Mayor Grieve

No further action taken

4. **BRAVO CUCINA ITALIANA** **TABC Hearing**  
106 Major Reynolds Place  
Knoxville, TN 37919

John Dupre was present to address the Beer Board

No further action was taken

### **Permit Requests (continued):**

12. **ZAYD LLC, APPLICANT**  
**QUICK STOP Z**  
815 W BAXTER AVE  
ZAYD LLC, OWNER  
NIZAR LALANI, OWNER  
JALAL BOUDARGA, OWNER  
TAOUFIK ELANSARI, OWNER  
OFF PREMISE

No one was present to address the Beer Board.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Grieve moved to postpone the matter to March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Second: Council Member Campen

Vote: Unanimous "Aye"

Disposition: Postponed to March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017


### **Other Business:**

Chairwoman Palmer had some announcements:

- Rob Frost will be forwarding to Beer Board Members a survey of penalties for sales to minor imposed by neighborhood municipalities.
- She is working to address the issue of extensions beyond ninety days and tabling.
- She will be proposing the addition of an additional page to the beer permit application for applicants to describe their plan to check identifications.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 5:36pm.

  
Recorder

  
Chair