

**VILLAGE OF HUNTLEY  
LIQUOR COMMISSION HEARING  
August 11, 2016  
MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

A meeting of the Huntley Liquor Commission was called to order on Thursday, August 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Complex, Village Board Room, 10987 Main Street, Huntley, Illinois 60142.

**ATTENDANCE:**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Charles Sass; Commissioners: Ronda Goldman, Tim Hoeft, Niko Kanakaris, Harry Leopold and JR Westberg.

**ABSENT:** Commissioner John Piwko

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Village Manager David Johnson, Assistant Village Manager Lisa Armour, Management Assistant Barbara Read and Village Attorney John Cowlin.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:**

- A. Consideration of an Ordinance Amending the Huntley Code of Ordinances – Business Regulations, Alcoholic Beverages Chapter 110l Section 110.24 – Limitation on Licenses – Adding one Class “A” License – Liquor Control Ordinance

Chairman Sass reported that the Village of Huntley regulates the sale of alcoholic beverages in the Village through its Liquor Control Ordinance which provides for the issuance of certain classes of liquor licenses and establishes the number of licenses available in each class.

Staff Analysis

Consideration is being requested to amend the Liquor Control Ordinance to make available fourteen (14) Class “A” licenses instead of thirteen (13) in order to provide for the application from Cuhlife LLC Huntley d/b/a Lucky Bernie’s; 9800 Route 47. The application has been reviewed by Staff and all is in order for consideration.

The Class “A” license shall permit the retail, sale on the premises specified, of alcoholic liquor, for consumption on the premises, as well as other retail sale of alcoholic liquor in the original package. Listed below are the current licensed establishments with a Class “A” license:

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| 1. Bricks & Ivy LLC d/b/a Parkside Pub | 8. Soula’s Village Inn            |
| 2. Brunch Cafe                         | 9. Starbucks                      |
| 3. Jameson’s Restaurant                | 10. Tee 2 Green Indoor Golf LLC   |
| 4. Offie’s Tap                         | 11. Triple K & B; d/b/a Rookies 3 |
| 5. Pub 47                              | 12. Millie’s                      |
| 6. Sal’s Pizzeria                      | 13. Taco Loco                     |
| 7. Sammy’s Restaurant                  |                                   |

Financial Impact

The fee received for a yearly Class “A” License is \$950.00.

Legal Analysis

Section 110.24 of the Village Code of Ordinances limits the number of available licenses in each class. There is no available Class “A” license; therefore, if the Liquor Commission elects to issue a license to Cuhlife LLC Huntley the Commission must create one (1) additional Class “A” license.

Chairman Sass asked the Commission if they had any comments or questions; there were none.

**A MOTION was made to approve an Ordinance Amending the Huntley Code of Ordinances – Business Regulations, Alcoholic Beverages, Chapter 110, Section 110.24 – Limitation on Licenses, Adding one (1) Class “A” License – Liquor Control Ordinance.**

**MOTION: Commissioner Leopold**

**SECOND: Commissioner Kanakaris**

**AYES: Commissioners: Goldman, Hoeft, Kanakaris, Leopold and Westberg**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Commissioner Piwko**

**The Motion Carried: 5-0-1**

- B. Consideration of an Ordinance Approving the Issuance of a Class “A” Liquor License to Cuhlife LLC Huntley d/b/a Lucky Bernie’s; 9800 Route 47, Unit B

Chairman Sass reported that the Village of Huntley regulates the sale of alcoholic beverages in the Village through its Liquor Control Ordinance, which provides for the issuance of certain classes of liquor licenses and establishes the number of licenses available in each class.

Staff Analysis

The Village is in receipt of an application for a Class “A” liquor license from Ms. Kathleen Leavitt and Mr. Bryan Sterbenz of Cuhlife LLC Huntley d/b/a Lucky Bernie’s (Lucky Bernie’s) to open a signature wine deli, featuring Boars Head meat, at 9800 Route 47, Unit B. Video gaming is expected to be applied for after the deli is opened.

All documents required have been submitted with the exception of the State Liquor License. This is not uncommon to be waiting on the State’s approval while asking for approval from the local Liquor Commission. The Liquor Commission can approve the Class “A” liquor license with the condition of approval being that Lucky Bernie’s must provide a certified copy (proof) that they obtained a State Liquor License before the Village’s liquor license becomes effective.

Financial Impact

The yearly fee of \$950 for the liquor license has been received and deposited to 01-00-1-4120 / Liquor License revenue line item.

Legal Analysis

Section 110 of the Village Code of Ordinances regulates liquor sales in the Village. The application has been reviewed and is in compliance with Section 110: Alcoholic Beverages requirements.

Chairman Sass asked if the Commission had any comments or questions; there were none.

**A MOTION was made to Approve and Issue a Class “A” Liquor License to Cuhlife LLC Huntley d/b/a Lucky Bernie’s; 9800 Route 47, Unit B subject to the following condition of approval:**

- 1. Petitioner must show proof of the State of Illinois Liquor Licenses before the Village of Huntley Class “A” Liquor License becomes effective.**

**MOTION: Commissioner Leopold**

**SECOND: Commissioner Kanakaris**

**AYES: Commissioners: Goldman, Hoeft, Kanakaris, Leopold and Westberg**

**NAYS: None**

**ABSENT: Commissioner Piwko**

**The Motion Carried: 5-0-1**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: None**

**POSSIBLE ACTION ON ANY CLOSED SESSION ITEMS: None**

**OTHER BUSINESS: None.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**There being no further business to discuss, a MOTION was made to adjourn the hearing at 7:02 p.m.**

**MOTION: Commissioner Leopold**

**SECOND: Commissioner Westberg**

**The Voice Vote noted all ayes and the motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Read  
Recording Secretary