

**Minutes of the Liquor Control Review Board
Tuesday, September 23, 2014 - 7:30 p.m.
Village Hall - Room 215**

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Scaman called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

2. **Roll Call:**

Present: Chair Victoria Scaman, Members Jane Miller, Sara Spivy, John Lipic (7:37)

Absent: None.

Also Present: Prospective Liquor Board Member Lyn Conniff, Village Attorney Paul Stephanides and Business Services Manager Loretta Daly Ryan Rosenthal and Igor Russo, New Owners of The Onion Roll

3. **Agenda Approval**

It was moved by Member Spivy and seconded by Member Miller to approve the Agenda as presented. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved.

4. **Public Comment**

Lyn Conniff

Chair Scaman introduced prospective Board member Lyn Conniff. Ms. Conniff gave a general background on her professional career and that she is happy to have the opportunity to observe tonight's meeting.

5. **Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by Chair Scaman and seconded by Member Miller to approve the minutes of the meeting of August 26, 2014 as presented. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved as presented.

6. **New Business**
 - A. **The Onion Roll (Restaurant Class B-2 Liquor License)**

Ryan Rosenthal introduced himself as one of the new owners of The Onion Roll. He stated that he has had a medical practice for 15 years right next door to The Onion Roll. Mr. Rosenthal and his partner, Igor Russo, purchased The Onion Roll and have been operating the business. They spent a substantial sum of money remodeling the restaurant.

The restaurant is generally open until 3:00 p.m. and the deli is open until 4:00 p.m. They are seeking to provide an authentic Jewish style deli restaurant and have requested a Restaurant Class B-2 liquor license to offer specialty beers and ales made in Israel and other places. All of their staff members have received BASSSET certification.

It was moved by Chair Scaman and seconded by Member Lipic to recommend to the Village Board adoption of an ordinance approving a Restaurant Class B-2 liquor license to The Onion Roll located for the property located at 6935 North Avenue.

The roll call was as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Lipic, Miller, and Spivy; Chair Scaman

NAYS: None

The motion was approved.

B. CVS Pharmacy (Preliminary Liquor License Application Review)

Business Services Manager Loretta Daly stated that CVS Pharmacy will be applying for liquor licenses for its two locations in Oak Park, the first located at the intersection of on Ridgeland Avenue and Madison Street and the location at the intersection of Oak Park Avenue and Roosevelt Road.

C. Annual Renewals

September 2014 annual renewals for liquor licenses were presented. It was moved by Member Spivy and seconded by Member Miller to approve the annual renewals for September 2014 as presented.

The roll call was as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Lipic, Miller, and Spivy; Chair Scaman

NAYS: None

The motion was approved.

7. Old Business

A. Discussion of proposal from Avarom d/b/a Careful Peach Boutique to create a liquor License classification for sale of wine only by a retail merchant – review of draft ordinance

The owners of Avarom Inc., d/b/a Careful Peach Boutique (“Careful Peach”), Karen and Peter Morava, spoke about their liquor license application. They stated that the sale of specialty wines will add to the total experience of the business. The majority of their business is the sale of tabletop crystal, china, linens, accessories, etc. It was

recommended that the draft ordinance to create the new liquor license classification be amended to include liqueurs.

It was moved by Member Spivy and seconded by Member Miller to recommend to the Village Board adoption of an ordinance establishing a Specialty Gourmet Foods Shop C-7 Liquor License Classification and to issue a C-7 Liquor License to Careful Peach.

The roll call was as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Lipic, Miller, and Spivy; Chair Scaman

NAYS: None

The motion was approved.

B. Discussion of the process and timeline for the research and investigation regarding the potential licensing of taverns/bars.

Chair Scaman provided background regarding the request that the LCRB review the issue of the creation of a tavern/bar liquor license classification. Chair Scaman recommended that the LCRB review the regulations of comparable communities such as Forest Park, Naperville, Evanston and LaGrange in order to gather as much data as possible to report back to the Village Board in 2015.

Chair Scaman stated that the LCRB should look at a proposed timeline for its review. Business Services Manager Daly provided the following proposal: (1) review of comparable communities by January 2015; (2) LCRB stakeholder interviews by March 2015; (3) community focus group and surveys by June 2015; and (4) transmittal of report to the Village Board by August 2015.

Administrative Report

A. Craft Brewery

Business Services Manager Daly stated that an inquiry has been made by an interested party to locate a craft brewery on Roosevelt Road. Daly suggested that the LCRB review the current Village Code provisions regarding craft breweries.

B. Café Fresh

Village Attorney Stephanides informed the LCRB that a revised application for a liquor license for Café Fresh will appear on a future LCRB agenda.

Board Member Comments

Member Lipic stated that tonight's meeting is his last on the LCRB. He stated he has thoroughly enjoyed his time on the LCRB. He stated that the staff has been tremendous to work with and the LCRB has improved every year he has been on it. Chairman Scaman thanked Member Lipic for all of his hard work.

Adjournment

It was moved by Member Spivy and seconded by Member Lipic to adjourn. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul L. Stephanides, Board Liaison and Recording Secretary