



Liquor Advisory Board March 3, 2016

The Carbondale Liquor Advisory Board held a meeting on Thursday, March 3, 2016, in Room 103 of the Carbondale Civic Center, 200 South Illinois Avenue. Chairman Mark Robinson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with the following-named members of the Board present/absent:

1. Roll Call

Present: David Cisco, Tasis Karayiannis, Donald Monty, and Mark Robinson

Absent: John Mills and Steve Payne (Two Student Positions Vacant)

A quorum was available to take action on the agenda items. City Staff present for the meeting included City Clerk Jennifer Sorrell, Fire Inspector Tom Manis, and Police Lieutenant Matt Dunning.

2. Approval of Minutes

D. Monty moved, T. Karayiannis seconded, to approve the minutes from February 11, 2016. All voted aye. Motion declared carried.

3. Application for a Class J Liquor License (All alcoholic liquor for consumption on premises - not for profit public arts venue) for Carbondale Community Arts Inc. at 304 West Walnut Street

Executive Director Jessica Lynn was present to respond to Board inquiries. She remarked on the programming, events, and exhibits currently available, as well as the construction underway for the media gallery which will host films, small-scale theatrical performances, and installations. The Board requested clarification of the response to question four as it relates to the construction of a terrace, which terrace will replace a parking area. Ms. Lynn indicated that an agreement to share parking spaces between CCA and First Christian Church is underway, while the spaces which are currently owned by CCA will become a terrace in the future. It was noted that the "by-the-drink" option which was selected on the application is reserved for Class H1 licenses only. Additionally, there was discussion about whether the licensee could provide alcohol at no cost during events and the distinction between free alcohol versus alcohol included with the cost of a ticket. MOTION: D. Monty moved, D. Cisco seconded, to recommend approval of the application for a Class J liquor license for Carbondale Community Arts, Inc. at 304 West Walnut Street, contingent upon receipt of all outstanding items. All voted aye. Motion declared carried.

4. Liquor Advisory Board Comments

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There was discussion about an article in the Daily Egyptian which referenced legislation before the Illinois Senate which would allow the sale of alcohol at events deemed to be public events and not student-related activities. There followed conjecture about the motive for said bill.

5. Citizens' Comments

None.

6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Date Approved

Jennifer R. Sorrell, City Clerk