



CITY OF CARBONDALE, ILLINOIS
LIQUOR ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of
Thursday, October 4, 2018

The City of Carbondale's Liquor Advisory Board held a meeting on Thursday, October 4, 2018, in Room 103 of Carbondale City Hall, 200 South Illinois Avenue. Chair Donald Monty called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with the following-named members of the Board present/absent:

1. Roll Call

Present: John Mills, Steve Payne (ex officio) (5:32 p.m.), Tasis Karayiannis, David Cisco, and Donald Monty

Absent: Mark Robinson

A quorum was available to take action on the agenda items. City Staff present for the meeting included City Clerk Jennifer Sorrell, Deputy Police Chief Stan Reno, and Economic Development Director Steven Mitchell

2. Approval of Minutes from August 2, 2018 (continued to August 16, 2018)

J. Mills moved, T. Karayiannis seconded, to approve the minutes of August 2 and 16, 2018. VOTE: All voted aye; motion declared carried.

3. Election of Officers

J. Mills nominated Donald Monty as Chair; T. Karayiannis seconded the nomination. There were no other individuals nominated. J. Mills moved to close nominations, T. Karayiannis seconded, all voted aye to close nominations. All voted in favor of Don Monty remaining as Chair.

J. Mills moved to nominate D. Cisco as Vice Chair; T. Karayiannis seconded his nomination. John Mills and Tasis Karayiannis declined their nominations. J. Mills moved to close nominations; D Cisco seconded. All voted aye to close nominations. All voted in favor of David Cisco as Vice Chair.

**4. Discussion of a Proposed Text Amendment to Carbondale Revised Code Section 2-5-10
Restrictions as to Persons Under Age Twenty One in a Billiards Hall**

Mr. Carl Martin, the requester and drafter of the proposed amendment, was present to respond to the Board's inquiries and introduced his item. He noted that he hoped for an addition to the exceptions in persons under the age of 19 section of the Code to establish a billiards hall which will allow individuals 16 and up to participate on youth billiards teams. Mr. Martin remarked on the impact that billiards had on him as a youth. In order to provide for trainers and to subsidize equipment and travel for the youths, the bar is needed. Additionally, the Ramada requires a lounge which serves food and beverages (not necessarily alcoholic beverages). He elaborated that there are establishments in Texas, St. Louis, and Virginia which allow underage pool players, even though they sell alcohol. He hoped that this would be the start of a first-of-its-kind youth teams training and competition location which would eventually evolve into youth leagues. Collegiate teams and leagues exist, but nothing yet exists for youth players. Mr. Martin shared that semi- and professional players will be involved in this endeavor. His goal is to garner national attention.

Board members asked if he had been in contact with the Boys and Girls Club; suggested placing the billiards hall definition, as well as indoor athletic facility, under the definitions section of the Liquor Code; adding billiards hall

to the current exceptions; having the City Attorney draft a special classification for this use; and ultimately, expressed support for the use proposed, regardless of how it is achieved.

The Board further discussed the City Attorney's concern about adding another use to the exceptions section of the Code, his suggestion to utilize a Class D license, and creating a Class B4 license with a cap of one.

The Clerk noted that the Board would soon be considering how to simplify liquor classifications and that if a new classification is created, it would still have to be added to the exceptions listing.

Building and Neighborhood Services Manager John Lenzini commented on his work with Mr. Martin at the location.

J. Mills moved, T. Karayiannis seconded, to establish a Class B4 license category with a cap of one, with appropriate modifications to the exceptions category for the legal entry age. VOTE: All voted aye; motion declared carried.

5. Citizens' Comments

Next Meeting: November 1, 2018

6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Jennifer R. Sorrell, City Clerk

Date Approved