

VILLAGE OF DOWNS LIQUOR COMMISSION

Village Hall

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

211 S. Seminary St,

5:00 PM

PO Box 18

April 24, 2014

Downs, IL 61736

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1. The meeting was called to order by Liquor Commissioner and Mayor Mike James at 5:00 pm.
 2. Roll call was taken. Board members Paul Blackwell and Vicki Prochnow were present. Also present was the Village Clerk, Julie James to take minutes.
 3. Pledge of Allegiance
 4. Paul Blackwell made a motion to approve the agenda order. Vicki Prochnow seconded the motion. Approved 3-0
 5. Discussion
 - a. Limit on Issued Liquor Licenses
Mayor James asked if the Village of Downs has ever limited the amount of liquor licenses in town. The Mayor said he is not going to limit them at this time. Paul said that maybe in the future we may want to. Vicki asked if you would want too. The Mayor says he thinks that limiting the number would stifle business.
 6. New Business
 - a. Motion to Approve Previous Meeting Minutes from December 3, 2013 was made by Paul and seconded by Vicki. Approved 3-0
 - b. Motion to Approve Liquor License Renewal for Ups and Downs Roadhouse to expire April 30, 2015 made by Vicki and seconded by Paul. Approved 3-0
Discussion- They have had no incidents at their establishment.
 - c. Motion to Approve Liquor License Renewal for Everlast Oil, INC. to expire April 30, 2015 made by Vicki and seconded by Paul. Approved 3-0
No Discussion
 - d. Motion to Approve Amended Chapter 9 – Liquor Code of the Village of Downs Code made by Paul and seconded by Mike Approved 3-0
Discussion- Mayor James changed a couple of things that contradicted each other. He gave the ordinance a more modern feel.
Mayor James added in the code that the liquor commission is subject to the open meetings act.
Added to the liquor coded that gambling devices are allowed.
Applications can be obtained by website, hall or village clerk.
The new license fee and renewal was changed to last day of March.

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The board discussed changing liquor classifications. The board removed classification D out of the ordinance. They may consider adding it another time based on Adkisson's needs.

The board removed "paying physical examinations of employees" out of the code.

The liquor code will follow the 19 years of age to be able to serve alcohol and 21 years to be able to sell alcohol.

Our Village Attorney, Dawn Wall, found no supporting case law, for or against a church being next to a tavern. There should be no reason that Adkisson's can't sell alcohol.

Living Hope Church didn't have a problem with either location operating during worship hours.

- e. Motion to Approve Class C – Restaurant Liquor License to LOCK Development, LLC. to Expire April 30, 2015 no action
 - f. Motion to Approve Class D – Banquet Hall Liquor License to Adkisson's, LLC. to Expire April 30, 2015 subject to Village Board Approval of Chapter 9 Ordinance Changes for New D Liquor Class no action
7. Old Business - None
8. Motion to Adjourn was made by Paul and seconded by Vicki. Approved 3-0

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