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MINUTES OF MEETING
GOODLETTSVILLE BEER BOARD

Date: October 11th, 2017
Time: 9:00 AM
Place: Massey Chambers

Present:

Chairman Harry Bell
Carl Sloan
Jerry Mayes
Doug Mullican

Also Present:

City Manager Tim Ellis
Chief Garry Goodwin
Addam McCormick
Elizabeth Simpson

Absent:

Vice Chairman Henry Bolding

Chairman Bell called the meeting to order. Mr. Mulligan made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 9th meeting, seconded by Mr. Sloan, and approved 4-0.

With no citizen comments, or current staff comments the board welcomed Mr. Jerry Mayes as their newest member.

Mr. Joel Phillips represented the Long Hollow Winery located at 665 Long Hollow Pike, Goodlettsville, TN 37072. Mr. Phillips stated they were looking to add a song writer's night to their location to boost revenue. Since wine sales are available in grocery stores the winery is looking for new ways to generate business. Mr. Phillips expounded on their future long-term plans of an amphitheater and a kitchen area for food sales. Chairman Bell asked if he had met with our codes department and he had. Mr. McCormick stated the plans they had turned in showed 82 seats total however they only had 19 paved parking spaces. Codes allows for two people per one parking space. At the point where you have more than 50 people the property use changes and that would require more parking, separate bathrooms, and fire life safety regulations to be met. Mr. McCormick did say they would be able to fit a few more cars on the paved area, so they would allow for up to 50 people on the premises as long as they brought in a portable bathroom and only used the extra parking during the events. Discussion ensued regarding the correct understanding of the events themselves, the on-site special venue permit and the special event permit. All board members needed to have the correct understanding of the event in order to best apply a permit. Mr. Bell presented Mr. Phillips with the question of selling beer only during his events or daily, since the establishment currently offers wine tasting on-site. Mr. Phillips wanted to best serve his clients by having other beverages available for on-site consumption. This raised a question of concern for Chairman Bell. He asked Mr. Phillips how he would regulate his establishment from becoming a "beer joint" should he allow consumption of beer on a daily basis. Mr. Phillips assured the board that he was in the wine business and not looking to sell beer in that fashion. He wasn't looking to have loud disturbing music and sell hard liquor either. They simply wanted to offer song writers nights to bring business back to the winery and have other beverage options available for their clients. Mr. Phillips stated that this was a baby step for them. Crawling before they walk so to speak. He said if you build it they will come, however, he needed to be sure he could fill fifty seats before investing in the property to meet the codes requirements. Mr. Bell said it seemed unfair for the board to grant him a permit and not hold him responsible to the municipal code

requirements. He asked if there was a motion to grant Mr. Phillips the beer permit. No motions were made. Mr. Tim Ellis read aloud sections from the Goodlettsville Municipal Code for special venue beer permits. Mr. Ellis questioned Mr. Phillips on the dates of music occurrences and timeline for future plans. Mr. Phillips clarified his dates for future music nights and that his long term goal would be to have three nights available for music; Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The board continued to dispute the correct way to handle this permit since the type of business might be changing quickly by adding food, restrooms and more seating. Mr. Mayes asked if there was a temporary permit that they could offer that would allow the winery they're trial run but also require them to come back before the board to establish what direction to take next. Mr. Ellis explained the board could offer them a 90 day period and suggested limiting beer sales during writer's nights only, and only two writer's nights per week. Mr. Ellis also suggested that the winery come back before the board after the 90 day period. The type of permit would need to be changed at that time to a regular on-site permit, requiring the full 80 seats needed for the permit, parking, and fire life safety requirements. Mr. Ellis also stated these events shouldn't be a nuisance to the community otherwise the temporary permit would be revoked. Mr. Mayes made a motion to grant the temporary on-site special venue permit, seconded by Mr. Mullican the board voted 4-0.

Mr. Bell questioned Chief Goodwin on the calls for the two establishments that were previously required before the board due to police activity at their establishments. Chief Goodwin assured Mr. Bell it had gotten better. There was concern that they might not call the police should they need them and Chief Goodwin stated they were still responding to calls at the facilities. Mr. Mayes asked about doing checks on the facilities and Chief Goodwin agreed that they still do the routine checks.

Mr. Mayes made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Sloan the board voted 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:54 am.

Elizabeth Simpson, City Clerk

Harry Bell, Chairman