

**MINUTES OF THE  
VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS  
LIQUOR AND LICENSING COMMISSION HEARING  
JANUARY 10, 2012**

Liquor Commission Byrne called the Liquor and Licensing Commission Hearing to order at 6:54 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Liquor Commissioner Byrne, Deputy Commissioners Koch and Williams, Chief of Police Fleischhauer, Village Attorney Kenny, and Recording Secretary DeAnda. A quorum was established.

**1. APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 6, 2011 LIQUOR AND LICENSING COMMISSION MINUTES**

Motion by Deputy Commissioner Williams, second by Deputy Commissioner Koch, to approve the December 6, 2011 Liquor and Licensing Commission Minutes.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 3 – Koch, Williams, Byrne

NAYS: 0 - None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 - None

Motion declared carried.

**2. VENUS VS MARZ, 281 TOWNLINE ROAD, SUITE 210, REQUEST A CLASS K LIQUOR LICENSE**

Ranee McGowan, Venus vs Marz, appeared before the Liquor & Licensing Commission to request a Class K Liquor License. Liquor Commissioner Byrne asked Chief Fleischhauer if there was any reason not to grant the requested license. Chief Fleischhauer stated there was not and, should the Commission approve the request for the liquor license, issuing the license would be subject to the petitioner successfully submitting to and completing a background investigation.

Motion by Commissioner Williams, second by Deputy Commissioner Koch, to approve a Class K liquor license to Venus vs Marz, subject to successful completion of a background investigation.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 3 – Byrne, Williams, Koch

NAYS: 0 - None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 -None

Motion declared carried.

**3. SUSHI MASA, 701 MILWAUKEE AVENUE, SUITE 344 – SALE OF ALCOHOL TO A MINOR**

While conducting a Village-wide BASSET Operation on December 2, 2011, Officer Fink had Explorer Gabriela Cervantes-Vargas, age 18, order a beer at Sushi Masa. Employee Cindy Takahashi served Cervantes-Vargas a Sapiro beer without asking for identification or how old she was. Annie Lee, owner of Sushi Masa, and Cindy Takahashi appeared before the Liquor & Licensing Commission and indicated that Ms. Takahashi was a friend helping out at the restaurant for the first time and forgot to ask for identification. Ms. Takahashi holds a BASSET card. Chief Fleischhauer stated this was the first violation in the past five years since the new owners took over the business.

Motion by Deputy Commissioner Koch, second by Commissioner Williams to approve a fine of \$500 for Sushi Masa, which will be suspended if no other violations occur in the next twelve months.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 3 – Byrne, Williams, Koch

NAYS: 0 - None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 -None

Motion declared carried.

**4. VERNON HILLS GOLF COURSE, 291 EVERGREEN DRIVE – SALE OF ALCOHOL TO A MINOR**

While conducting a Village-wide BASSET Operation on December 2, 2011, Officer Fink had Explorer Gabriela Cervantes-Vargas, age 18, order a beer at the Vernon Hills Golf Course. Employee Donald Wohlrab served Cervantes-Vargas a Miller Lite beer without asking for identification or how old she was. OB Sanders, Manager of Vernon Hills Golf Course, appeared before the Liquor & Licensing Commission and indicated that he agreed with the police report of the incident. Chief Fleischhauer stated this was the first liquor violation in over ten years.

Motion by Deputy Commissioner Williams, second by Deputy Commissioner Koch, to approve a fine of \$500 for Vernon Hills Golf Course, which will be suspended if no other violations occur in the next twelve months.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 3 – Byrne, Williams, Koch

NAYS: 0 - None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 -None

Motion declared carried.

**5. THE PEACOCK RESTAURANT, 700 MILWAUKEE AVENUE, SUITE 130 – SALE OF ALCOHOL TO A MINOR**

While conducting a Village-wide BASSET Operation on December 2, 2011, Officer Fink had Explorer Gabriela Cervantes-Vargas, age 18, order a beer at The Peacock Restaurant. Employee Edita Jauniute served Cervantes-Vargas a Taj Mahal beer without asking for identification or how old she was. Admit Vatal, Manager of The Peacock Restaurant, and Bernard Isacoviti, attorney, appeared before the Liquor & Licensing Commission and indicated that they agreed with the police report of the incident. Chief Fleischhauer stated there were “sale of alcohol to a minor” violations in 1995 and 1998 and an arrest in December 2008 with a paid \$500 fine prior to this arrest. Attorney Isacoviti stated the employee was let go and a new policy established.

Motion by Deputy Commissioner Koch, second by Commissioner Williams, to approve a fine of \$500 for The Peacock Restaurant, which will be suspended if no other violations occur in the next twelve months.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 3 – Byrne, Williams, Koch

NAYS: 0 - None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 -None

Motion declared carried.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Deputy Commissioner Williams, second by Commissioner Byrne, to adjourn the Liquor and Licensing Commission Hearing.

Roll call vote:

AYES: 3 – Byrne, Williams, Koch

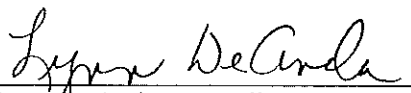
NAYS: 0 - None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 0 - None

Motion declared carried.

The hearing adjourned at 7:15p.m.

Approved this 24th day of January 2012.

  
Lynn DeAnda, Recording Secretary

  
Roger L. Byrne, Liquor Commissioner