



## MINUTES

President and Board of Trustees  
Village of Arlington Heights  
Committee-of-the-Whole  
Community Room  
Arlington Heights Village Hall  
33 S. Arlington Heights Road  
Arlington Heights, IL 60005  
October 6, 2014  
7:45 PM

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Tom Hayes called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM.

### **II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **III. ROLL CALL**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Hayes; Trustees Blackwood, Farwell, Glasgow, LaBedz, Rosenberg, Sidor, Tinaglia, Scaletta

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Interim Village Manager Diana Mikula

OTHERS PRESENT: Greg Stabile of Fox & Hound, Attorney Mary Nikezic of Webster Powell Law Firm

### **IV. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Consideration of recommending to the Liquor Commissioner the issuance of a Class "AA" Liquor License to Last Call Operating Co I., Inc. dba Fox & Hound Sports Tavern, located at 910-918 W. Dundee Road.

Mayor Hayes swore in Greg Stabile. Attorney Mary Nikezic indicated she was present on behalf of her client.

Diana Mikula, Interim Village Manager, informed the Board that Last Call Operating Co I., Inc., dba Fox & Hound Sports Tavern acquired this existing restaurant through a bankruptcy. The applicant entities have retained the law firm of Gray Robinson, PA to serve as their nationwide regulatory counsel for alcohol beverage licensure and other operational permitting purposes associated with the acquisition of certain restaurant assets.

Originally, another manager was going to be interviewed for this liquor interview but at the last minute, he was transferred to another restaurant. Greg Stabile was appointed manager at this location. Mr. Stabile's background check was completed on September 29, 2014 by the Arlington Heights Police Department. He does not have any ownership interest in the business. No convictions were disclosed and no criminal derogatory information was found.

As stated in the application, James K. Zielke is listed as CPO, VP, Secretary, and Treasurer of Last Call Operating Co I., Inc. On July 25, 2014, the Arlington Heights Police Department completed a background check on Mr. Zielke. No convictions were disclosed and no criminal derogatory information was found. In addition, no lawsuits, judgments, or liens were outstanding.

Mayor Hayes asked if this current location has ever had a liquor violation. He was informed that there have been no liquor violations since they opened in 2003.

Mayor Hayes asked Mr. Stabile about his restaurant/bar experience. Mr. Stabile informed the Board that he has worked in the restaurant industry since he was 21 years old. He started his career as a bouncer carding people and then became a manager. He has worked for several chain restaurants and has never had a violation.

Mayor Hayes inquired if there were any plans to change the layout of the restaurant or perhaps a different business model. Attorney Mary Nikezic responded that there would be no changes in management, layout, or business plan.

Mayor Hayes inquired about Mr. Stabile's Basset status. He reported that he and all staff are Basset certified.

Trustee Scaletta questioned if Mr. Stabile had been working at the Bloomingdale location when they received a violation for Happy Hour advertising. Mr. Stabile informed the Board that he had not been working there at that time. Trustee Scaletta also questioned Fox & Hound's practice of transferring managers frequently. He asked how this was handled by the Manager's Office at Village Hall. Ms. Mikula responded that all establishments must notify the office when a management change occurs. The new manager must be fingerprinted and a background check will be performed with the results kept on file. This type of change is handled administratively. Trustee Scaletta asked that this statement go on record so the restaurant is aware they must notify the Village Manager's office of changes.

Trustee Glasgow thanked staff and Mr. Stabile for the follow up statement made on questions 15 & 16 on the Additional Applicant Questionnaire Form.

**TRUSTEE GLASGOW MOVED, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE TINAGLIA TO RECOMMEND THAT THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES RECOMMEND TO THE LIQUOR COMMISSIONER THE ISSUANCE OF A CLASS "AA" LIQUOR LICENSE TO LAST CALL OPERATING CO I., INC., DBA FOX & HOUND SPORTS TAVERN, LOCATED AT 910-918 W. DUNDEE ROAD. MOTION PASSED.**

#### **V. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM.

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