

VILLAGE OF FONTANA ON GENEVA LAKE
WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN
(Official Minutes)
SPECIAL MEETING of the VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Thursday, June 4, 2020

Village President Pat Kenny called the virtual meeting of the Village Board to order at 11:00 am.

Trustees Present by Phone: Roll call vote: Trustee O'Neill, President Kenny, Trustee Livingston, Trustee Petersen, Trustee Prudden, Trustee Pappas

Trustees Absent: Trustee McGreevy

Also Present by Phone: Greg Blizard, Jeff Cates, Marc Jensen, Bob Kirkland, Theresa Loomer, Pete Novak, Stephanie Smith, Cindy Wilson

General Business

Novaks' of Fontana d/b/a Little Bar Request to Amend Liquor License Premise for 2019-20 Year – Tabled 6/1/20

Loomer stated this item was tabled on June 1, 2020 at the Village Board meeting because the premise map was unclear. Since the meeting on Monday staff had a chance to meet with Pete Novak and discuss his proposal and intentions. Loomer stated that she believes anything in the grass area is going to trigger a site plan review. Novak has agreed to only serve on the concrete portion or patio at this time.

Trustee Prudden/Trustee O'Neill 2nd made a MOTION to approve the request from Novaks' of Fontana d/b/a Little Bar to amend the liquor license premise for 2019-2020 year to include the concrete portion, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Annual Liquor Licenses Renewal – Novaks' of Fontana, LLC, located at 138 Fontana Boulevard, d/b/a Little Bar, RENEWAL CLASS "B" BEER and "CLASS B" LIQUOR license – Tabled 6/1/20

Trustee Pappas/Trustee O'Neill 2nd made a MOTION to approve the renewal of the Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Liquor License for the 2020 – 21 year, with the condition that any concerns noted in the annual inspections are addressed and that the Seller's Permit is active and in good standing. The MOTION carried without negative vote.

Approval of Operator's License Renewal Applications for Laura L. Reed (Shell) and Tasha M. Loma (Gordy's)

There were no concerns with the background checks and the \$60 fees have been paid.

Trustee Prudden/Trustee Livingston 2nd made a MOTION to approve the Operator's License applications filed by Laura L. Reed (Shell) and Tasha M. Loma (Gordy's), and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Fireworks Permit Application Filed by Hollywood Pyrotechnics, Inc., Bennie Netzley, for July 2, 2020 at 1090 B S. Lakeshore Drive

Loomer stated this is the same application the Village has received the past couple of years. Two years ago, there was some concern from the neighbors because the show was scheduled for a Sunday night and took the neighbors by surprise. In response to the concern, last year Hollywood Pyrotechnics notified the neighbors before the private show and no complaints were received. Trustee Petersen stated the Village cancelled their own fireworks for obvious reasons and if word gets out the Village may have crowds of people to deal with. President Kenny stated he opposes the private fireworks show and the job of the Board is to protect the public from large crowds. In addition, the Village has cancelled their own fireworks display on July 4th and approving the application would be sending the wrong message. President Kenny stated that for the same private show last year the Abbey Springs Beach was crowded with people.

Trustee Prudden/Trustee O'Neill 2nd made a MOTION to deny the fireworks application filed by Hollywood Pyrotechnics, Inc., Bennie Netley, for July 2, 2020 at 1090 B S. Lakeshore Drive, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Reconsider Beach Restrictions due to Covid-19

Loomer stated that on nice days the 450-person capacity on the beach is being reached by 11:00 am and then a line of people remains gathered outside of the beach. Chief Cates mentioned that people are not happy when they can not get into the beach and they have already paid to park. It was suggested to have staff investigate a way of preselling tickets online to avoid the lines. Loomer stated that during the week there are only two beach staff on duty during per shift so we need a plan that can be easily managed and enforced. It was suggested to limit the capacity to the first 200 people and then after that it would be season pass holders only until the capacity of 450 people has been reached. Beach staff has been instructed to encourage beach patrons to spread out and use the grassy area.

Trustee Prudden/ Trustee O'Neill 2nd made a MOTION to set the Fontana Beach capacity at 200 non-residents and allow residents/beach pass holders access to the beach until a capacity of 450 has been reached, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Adjournment

Trustee O'Neill/Trustee Livingston 2nd made a MOTION at 11:38 am to adjourn the meeting, and the MOTION carried without negative vote.

Minutes prepared by: Stephanie Smith Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

Note: These minutes are subject to further editing. Once approved by the Village Board, the official minutes will be kept on file at the Village Hall.

APPROVED: 07/06/2020