

**MINUTES OF THE  
OAK RIDGE BEER BOARD**  
Regular Meeting

Municipal Building Training Room – Room 104  
Wednesday, August 3, 2016  
5:15 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Barton Bailey, Secretary Darren Osborne, Theresa Scott, Debra Solmonson, and Danny Whitson

ABSENT: Wende Doolittle and David Mosby

ALSO PRESENT: Tammy Dunn, Senior Staff Attorney / Staff Liaison to Board

AUDIENCE MEMBERS: Stacy Pratt, Allies for Substance Abuse Prevention (ASAP)  
Jamie Standridge, Leadership Oak Ridge

**ROLL CALL**

Chairman Bailey called the meeting to order at 5:16 p.m. All members were present except Ms. Doolittle and Mr. Mosby.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Ms. Scott moved, seconded by Ms. Solmonson, to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2016 regular meeting and the motion passed unanimously.

**APPLICATIONS FOR NEW BEER PERMITS AND ASSOCIATED MANAGER APPROVALS**

United Way of Anderson County (Application #1544 – Class E, Special Event Permit)  
Naomi Asher, Supervisor of Beer Sales  
Fundraiser on September 15, 2016 (4pm – 9pm)  
Jackson Square

Ms. Asher, Executive Director of United Way of Anderson County, was present to discuss the application. Secretary Osborne stated he is the President of United Way of Anderson County and will, therefore, abstain from the vote and discussion of the application. The Board and Ms. Asher discussed the process of stamping patrons for beer purchases and ensuring patrons do not leave with beer. Having had no problems with these events in the past, Ms. Solmonson moved, seconded by Ms. Scott, to approve the application and the motion carried 4-0, with Secretary Osborne abstaining.

Aldi #14 (Application #1545 – Class B, Off-Premises Consumption Permit)  
Aldi Inc. (Tennessee), Owner  
John Presnell Larkin, Manager  
111 Woodland Terrace E.

Mr. Larkin was present to discuss the application. The Board discussed with Mr. Larkin the training and ID policy, the parking lot responsibilities, and to call the Police Department when needed. Mr. Larkin stated all employees are trained prior to running the cash register and IDs will be required for all beer purchases regardless of the age of the patron. Ms. Solmonson moved, seconded by Ms. Scott, to approve the applications (beer permit and manager application), and the motion carried unanimously.

Aid to Distressed Families of Appalachian Counties (ADFAC) (Application #1546 – Class E)

Katheryn Shearer, Supervisor of Beer Sales  
Fundraiser on October 25, 2016 (5pm – 10pm)  
St. Mary's Church Parish Life Center  
327 Vermont Avenue

Ms. Shearer was present to discuss the application. The Board and Ms. Shearer discussed the process for ID-ing a patron for an armband for beer purchases and ensuring patrons do not leave the premises with beer. Having had no problems with these events in the past, Secretary Osborne moved, seconded by Ms. Scott, to approve the application and the motion carried unanimously.

**APPLICATIONS FOR NEW MANAGER APPROVALS**

Rhonda Hamilton  
BPOE Elks Lodge No. 1684  
684 Emory Valley Road  
Replacement Manager

Ms. Hamilton was present to discuss her application. The Board and Ms. Hamilton discussed the membership and guest policy (members must be 21, all guests must be 21 to enter bar and must be signed in and stay with the member). Ms. Hamilton also stated the server in the dining room is TIPS certified. Ms. Solmonson moved, seconded by Ms. Scott, to approve the application and the motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS**

Reports from Oak Ridge Police Department

None

Curbside Beer Service

Ms. Dunn stated the Legal Department had received two inquiries from local grocery stores asking whether beer could be sold as part of their online-order-grocery-store-pickup service. It was determined that both of these stores (Walmart and Kroger) complete the sale at the patron's vehicle, not online or inside the store. City Code §8-806 prohibits beer sales occurring to any person while such person is occupying any motor vehicle, prohibiting the transaction from occurring at the vehicle. Ms. Dunn checked with other cities to see if Tennessee cities allow or disallow such sales and so far only Knoxville had responded. Knoxville does not allow beer to be sold as part of online-order-grocery-store-pickup service either, but Knoxville's reasoning was that the parking lot is not the premises of the store and therefore sales cannot occur outside of the premises for which the beer permit is approved.

Ms. Dunn stated it is unknown at this time whether the City would want to move forward with a change to City Code §8-806 to address the grocery stores' question. The Board discussed this issue and had concerns about such sales. Ms. Scott moved, seconded by Ms. Solmonson, to recommend against any change to the ordinances to allow such sales and the motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business to come before the Board, Chairman Bailey moved, seconded by Secretary Osborne, to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 p.m. and the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

*(Signature on Official Copy)*  
Secretary