



LICENSING BOARD MEETING - SPECIAL - MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2023 AT 4:30 PM

WATERTOWN MUNICIPAL - 106 JONES STREET, WATERTOWN, WI 53094 ROOM 0041

The Licensing Board met on the above date and time in person at the Municipal Building 106 Jones St. in Room 0041 and via GoToMeeting. The following members were present: Mayor McFarland, Ald. Blanke (virtual), Cheri Martin (virtual), and Erin Schroeder. Absent was Ald. Smith. Staff present were: Police Chief Robert Kaminski, Assistant Police Chief Ben Olsen, City Attorney Steven Chesebro, Town Square Programmer Stephanie Juhl (virtual), and City Clerk Megan Dunneisen. Mr. Smith, owner of the establishment Uptown was also present.

1. CALL TO ORDER - Mayor McFarland called the meeting to order at 4:31pm.
2. BUSINESS
 - A. Ald. Blanke made a motion to approve the Temporary Secondary Location for Kellermeister Beverages LLC d/b/a BrewFinity Brewing for an event at the Bentzin Family Town Square on October 15, 2023, seconded by Martin. Schroeder discussed not being in favor of bringing in the beer truck who does not normally do business in the city mentioning it taking away from the community and not being business friendly - wanting to look into the options of local establishments being able to serve at these events. Mr. Smith of Uptown spoke on the same and wanting to keep the money in the city. Mayor McFarland encouraged local bars to look into the possibilities and bring it to the Board. Martin agrees and spoke about timing and this being an option for now, especially with short notice. Ald. Blanke echoed. Schroeder spoke about timing and that others have been denied due to inadequate timing. Motion to approve was carried by voice vote of Yes: 3 (Blanke, Martin, McFarland); No: 1 (Schroeder).
3. ADJOURNMENT - Schroeder made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:48pm, seconded by McFarland and carried by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,
Megan Dunneisen, City Clerk

Note: These minutes are uncorrected, and any corrections made thereto will be noted in the proceedings at which these minutes are approved.