

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD

AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS OF CHRISTIAN COUNTY ILLINOIS, BEGUN AND HELD AT THE COURTHOUSE IN TAYLORVILLE, ILLINOIS, ON **October 10, 2018**

ATTEST: MICHAEL C. GIANASI, COUNTY CLERK

A special meeting of the Christian County Board was called for by the County Board Chairman Tim Carlson, Becky Edwards, Venise McWard, Vicki McMahan, Bev Graham, Donna Hibbetts, Paul and Schmitz for the purpose to discuss and/or approve the addition of classification F Special Use Liquor License; waive application of the 15 day requirement thru October 31 for a special use license and to waive the per diem paid to County Board members for this special meeting.

The following proceeding had and entered at large upon the records of said Board, which is done accordingly in the following words and figures to wit;

Chairman Timothy J. Carlson called the Board to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

County Clerk Michael C. Gianasi recorded the roll call disclosing thirteen members present with three members absent: Charles DeClerck, Marilyn Voggetzer and Matt Wells signifying a quorum.

SPECIAL MEETING BUSINESS:

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Carlson asked for any public comments and noting the rules for speaking for both the public and members.

- Phil Corzine, one of the owners of the 1905 Brewery in Assumption, told the members of his interest in participating in offsite events in the county.
- Jerry Cocagne one of the owners of “The Pillars”, an event venue in Taylorville commented at first he was not in favor of the caterer’s portion of the license approval, but was good with the special use license.
- Aaron Allen, former County Board member, noted that as the County tries to find revenue and help local businesses, the Board should remember their goals to do so. Any visitors to our venues are potential visitors to other businesses in our towns.
- Donna Hibbetts agreed with Aaron that we need to do what we can to bring more dollars and people to Christian County. Although the license fee is not much alone, we just need to approve this.
- Mike McClure had a question if the County already had this type of license in place. Although the County has several different types of liquor licenses included, the special use license is specific for off premise events by any retailer liquor license holder.
- J.I. McDowell of Angelo’s has participated in these special use licenses under other counties or local governments. He would like to request or recommend that the County consider a special use license to expand a one-time fee for events within a year.
- Karen Beck, a new venue business owner thanked the members who worked so hard to help the action to be approved and a positive compliment to the unincorporated areas of the county.
- Revisions and clarifications to the initial discussions were provided in hand out form to the members with the updated requirements and title of the license. The caterer’s portion has been eliminated and is only described as “Special Use”. It was noted that the titles of the local licenses must match the State licenses or the applicant could have to pay a crossover fee for both titles.

REVISION for Class F
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License-Special Use-Class F License: Licenses issued pursuant to this classification shall entitle the licensee [generally not the owner of the building] to sell all alcoholic liquors for consumption on the premises for which a special use permit has been issued. The licensee shall

be allowed to sell alcoholic liquor only during the hours prescribed in the Christian County Ordinance. The licensee shall be exempt from any residency requirement and this permit *does not allow for or permit video gaming*. The Class F has special provisions other than as described for full time establishments such as a Tavern, Bowling Alley or Club License.

For the purposes of this classification, a “*Special Use*” permit allows a business which provides liquor for sale and its service for social or business affairs at an off premise site (vendor’s place of business) the opportunity to do business for special events.

All application procedures shall apply for an applicant:

- Describe with reasonable certainty the boundary of the area in which alcoholic liquor is to be sold and the address of the venue.
- The *vendor* must provide proof of dram shop insurance, also referred to as Liquor Liability Insurance and General Liability Insurance with at least \$1 million of coverage.
- Comply with the state BASSET training program certified by the State of Illinois Liquor Control Commission as required by 235 ILCS 5/3-12. At least one certified BASSET bartender must be at all times within the serving location (bar). BASSET certifications are required prior to the issue of the license. Bartenders must be 21 years of age.
- For each event and/or location a separate license shall be obtained.
- At least a 15 day notice shall be required for each application.
- A copy of a valid State of Illinois “Special Use License” shall be requested to be either attached to the application or submitted after the State issuance. There is no residency requirement for this special use.
- The fee for the special event liquor license Class F: \$75/day/event at the same location.
- No refunds will be made for either voluntary or involuntary cancelations.
- Providing all requirements are met, the Liquor Commissioner may approve a Classification F License per event, but for no more than 15 days at the same location.
- The fee must be paid by cash, cashier’s check or a company/business check.

NOTE:

- The Health Department shall be notified of the event and Health Ordinance fees may apply. (Temporary permits from the health department are \$25 for an event of 1 to 4 days; \$50 for an event 5-14 and a seasonal permit is also available.)
- The Sheriff’s Office will be notified of the event, place and time frame.

CLASSIFICATION F SPECIAL USE LICENSE APPROVED

Chairman Carlson called for a motion which was made by Craig Corzine and seconded by Donna Hibbetts *to add the new classification F to the current Christian County Liquor Ordinance with the description and requirements of the Special Use License*. With no further discussion a roll call vote being called polled the following: (13) Becky Edwards, Donna Hibbetts, Mike McClure, Vicki McMahan, Venise McWard, Chad Michel, Paul Schmitz, Phil Schneider, Molly Alaria, Bev Graham, Tim Carlson, and Ben Curtin-eyes; (0) no nay votes and (3) absent; Charles DeClerck, Marilyn Voggetzer and Matt Wells. The motion carried.

WAIVE THE 15 DAY NOTICE THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2018

Chairman Carlson called for a motion which was *made by Becky Edwards and seconded by Mike McClure to waive the 15 day notice to the County through October 31, 2018 due to the recent creation of the license.*[The notice waiver is only for the County and a late fee may apply at the State level.] The motion carried.

WAIVE PER DIEM PAID TO COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS FOR THIS SPECIAL MEETING.

Chairman Carlson asked for a motion to waive the per diem of this Special meeting. A *motion was made by Paul Schmitz and seconded by Donna Hibbetts to waive the per diem normally paid to the County Board members for this Special Meeting*. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Mike McClure and seconded by Molly Alaria to adjourn until the October 16, 2018 regular full Board meeting. The motion carried.