



## **ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE CONTROL COMMITTEE**

Beloit City Hall - The Forum

100 State Street, Beloit, WI

September 10, 2013 - 4:00 p.m.

Present: Ralph Berkley, Tina Goecks, John Metter, Joseph Vickerman, Councilor Kevin Leavy (non-voting)  
(1 Vacancy)  
Absent: Malissa Cronin, Ron Tilley  
Advisory: Captain Dan Risse, Deputy City Attorney Elizabeth Krueger

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Ralph Berkley with a quorum present.
2. Consideration of the minutes of the regular meeting of August 13, 2013. Motion to approve by Mr. Vickerman, second by Mr. Metter. Motion carried.
3. Consideration of the Change of Agent for The Cheese People of Beloit, 432 East Grand Avenue, from Jill Delise-Smith, to Andrea Levine. Owner Darren Larsen and proposed Agent, Andrea Levine appeared.

Captain Risse stated a background check was conducted and the Police Department had no objection to the appointment of this Agent.

Attorney Krueger asked Ms. Levine if she understood that she would be accountable for all alcohol violations that may occur on the premises whether she is present or not. Ms. Levine responded that she understood.

Mr. Metter moved to recommend approval to the City Council of Andrea Levine as Agent at The Cheese People of Beloit, second by Mr. Vickerman. Motion carried.

4. Consideration of an ordinance to prohibit loitering on public property. Attorney Krueger explained this proposed ordinance was written because of the issues in the municipal parking lot across from the End Zone. Attorney Krueger stated she went to this parking lot on three different nights and on two different weekends and found on average between 100 and 200 people in the lot behaving like they were having a tailgate party with alcohol, loud music, shouting, dancing and people driving recklessly in the lot with their vehicles. Attorney Krueger said that many of the people during the time that she observed the lot did not enter any of the licensed establishments in the downtown area. Attorney Krueger explained that in an effort to curb this behavior, she worked with the Police Department to come up with the proposed ordinance prohibiting loitering on public property. She said the ordinance would also prevent these incidents from moving to other downtown parking lots.

Mr. Metter asked what the penalty would be for violations of this ordinance, and Attorney Krueger responded that the fine is \$303 and will increase with each additional violation.

Captain Risse stated he feels this ordinance is the way to curb the problems in the lot as opposed to other alternatives, such as charging for use of the parking lot. Captain Risse said if the City Council passes this ordinance, he would talk with the bar owners about the ordinance and about warning their patrons of the new law.

Mr. Metter moved to recommend passage of this ordinance to the City Council, second by Mr. Vickerman. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Citizen Comments: None
6. Committee Comments: Chairman Berkley asked for an update on the committee's recommendation for suspension of the license of Adiktion. Attorney Krueger stated the Complaint will be taken to the City Council on September 16, 2013, and the Council will likely set a hearing date for September 23, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. Attorney Krueger said the Agent, Jaime Hernandez, turned in his resignation.
7. Police Department Comments: Captain Risse reviewed the police reports distributed to the committee and commented that there has been an increase in graffiti in the downtown area and that one arrest has been made.
8. Attorney Comments: None
10. At 4:30 p.m. Mr. Vickerman moved to adjourn, second by Mr. Metter. Motion Carried.

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Judith A. Elson  
Deputy City Clerk