

**MINUTES FOR  
LIQUOR AUTHORITY MEETING**

**CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE, COLORADO  
7500 West 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Municipal Building**

**March 13, 2014**

Chair Peterson called the Liquor Authority Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Liquor Authority Members present:

John Miks  
Paul Shaver  
Kent Davis  
Carolyn Peterson  
Anthony Davia  
Claudia Worth  
Robert Alldredge

Also present: Deputy City Clerk, Bruce Roome; Assistant City Attorney, Carmen Beery; Officer Berkowitz, Wheat Ridge Police Department; staff; interested citizens.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF February 24, 2014**

**Motion** by Mr. Davis to approve the minutes of February 24, 2014: seconded by Mr. Shaver; carried 4-0-3 with Mr. Davia, Mr. Alldredge, and Mrs. Worth abstaining due to absence.

**Item 1.** Chair/Vice Chair Elections

Per Liquor Authority Bylaws, "A Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall be elected on a rotating basis at the first regular meeting in March of each year. The Chairperson shall be elected on a rotating basis and shall not succeed himself/herself. This shall be the first order of business after public hearings at that meeting and it shall be held by secret ballot without nomination."

Ballots were passed out and tallied by Deputy City Clerk Roome.

Chair:

Paul Shaver received 3 votes, Claudia Worth received 2, and Kent Davis and Anthony Davia each received 1. With the most votes Mr. Shaver becomes chair from March 2014 until March 2015.

Vice Chair:

Claudia Worth, Kent Davis, and Anthony Davia tied with two votes each. Carolyn Peterson received 1 vote. It was suggested that since Mrs. Worth had yet to serve as Chair or Vice Chair that she should be the Vice Chair. A consensus was reached that this is best and therefore Mrs. Worth is the new Vice Chair from March 2014 until March 2015.

Item 2. Liquor Authority Resolution 01-2014 – A Resolution delegating to the City Clerk the authority to administratively approve applications for Transfers of Ownership and Temporary Permits

The Resolution delegates to the City Clerk the authority to administratively approve applications for Transfers of Ownership and Temporary Permits which was discussed at the February 27, 2014 meeting.

Clerk Shaver addressed the Liquor Board stating that she sees the positives that this Resolution brings such as expediency, time, cost savings, etc. She wanted the Authority to also consider some potential down sides to policy change. Potential items such as the applicant doesn't face the Authority Board which might take away their importance and the potential of losing the historic memory of the Liquor members that have been around when there is no meeting.

**Motion** by Mr. Alldredge to approve Resolution 01-2014, a Resolution delegating to the City Clerk the authority to administratively approve applications for Transfers of Ownership and Temporary Permits; seconded by Mr. Miks; motion carried 6-1 with Mrs. Worth voting no.

Item 3. Liquor Authority Bylaws Review/Discussion

On October 22, 1998 the Liquor Authority Board adopted their bylaws. On March 23, 2000 the Liquor Authority adopted an updated set of bylaws which changed Section F number 1. The only change was to the election of the Chair and Vice Chair and moving it to March of each year versus October. This made more sense as the terms of Board members expire in March.

There have been no other changes to the bylaws since they were first adopted in 1998.

Since it has been 16 years since written and 14 years since amended a review and discussion is appropriate at this time. The bylaws are attached.

**Motion** by Mr. Miks to amend the bylaws to replace the word "Secretary" with "Clerk to the Authority"; seconded by Mr. Alldredge; motion carried 7-0

**Motion** by Mrs. Worth for the Clerk of the Authority to arrange a training session for the Liquor Board; seconded by Mr. Alldredge; carried 7-0

Consensus was reached to have the Time Line document that Mr. Roome compiled remain a standalone document, not part of the Bylaws.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S MATTERS**

None

**POLICE DEPARTMENT MATTERS**

Welcomed back Assistant City Attorney Carmen Beery to the Liquor Board

**LIQUOR AUTHORITY MEMBERS MATTERS**

Mr. Shaver asked PD about potential stings coming, Officer Berkowitz addressed this.

Mrs. Worth asked how the Wheat Ridge PD felt about the legislation that would allow bars to stay open later than 2 am. At this point in time that legislation has been removed from the State hearings. Officer Berkowitz did state that the PD was not in favor of it had it made it through.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.



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Bruce Roome, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED BY LIQUOR AUTHORITY ON April 24, 2014 BY A VOTE OF 7 TO 0



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Paul Shaver, Chair