

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

Municipal Building Training Room – Room 104
Wednesday, January 6, 2016
5:15 p.m.

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

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Tammy Dunn, Senior Staff Attorney / Staff Liaison to Board
Deputy Chief Robin Smith, Oak Ridge Police Department

AUDIENCE MEMBERS: Chris with Allies for Substance Abuse Prevention (A.S.A.P.)

ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE

Ms. Dunn called the meeting to order at 5:18 p.m. All members were present. New members (Ms. Doolittle and Mr. Whitson) were introduced to the Board.

ELECTIONS

Ms. Scott moved, seconded by Ms. Solmonson, for Mr. Bailey to be elected Chairman and the motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Bailey moved, seconded by Ms. Solmonson and Ms. Scott, for Mr. Osborne to be elected Secretary and the motion carried unanimously

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Scott moved, seconded by Secretary Osborne, to approve the minutes of the November 4, 2015 regular meeting and the motion passed unanimously.

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW BEER PERMITS AND ASSOCIATED MANAGER APPROVALS – None

APPLICATIONS FOR NEW MANAGER APPROVALS

Melinda Dawn Fout Al-Bawi
Loyal Order of Moose #1316 (Moose Lodge)
103 N. Jefferson Circle
Replacement Manager

Ms. Al-Bawi was present to discuss her manager application. Ms. Dunn stated the background checks have not all come back yet for this applicant. Deputy Chief Smith stated he is unaware of any problems at this location. Ms. Al-Bawi explained that all guests are ID'd for beer purchases. Chairman Bailey explained the importance of watching the parking lot and of calling the police when the need arises. Having no further discussion, Chairman Bailey moved, seconded by Ms. Scott, to approve the manager application subject to the background check and the motion carried unanimously.

Joe Green Wilkinson

Ridge Runners Bar and Grill
259 Warehouse Road
Additional Manager

Mr. Wilkinson was present to discuss his manager application, as well as Pamela Bunch (owner/manager). Ms. Dunn stated the background checks have not all come back yet for this applicant. Deputy Chief Smith stated there was a recent incident at this location over New Year's Eve/New Year's Day involving intoxicated persons. Ms. Bunch and Mr. Wilkinson stated the patron arrived in an intoxicated state and they have a zero tolerance policy so the person has been banned. Additionally, they both stated the business called the police for assistance and the police arrived rapidly. Ms. Bunch stated she is trying to "weed out the bad." Mr. Wilkinson explained the use of their new driver's license scanners to check age and validity of beer purchasers. Chairman Bailey strongly suggested the business pay close attention to the noise level as sound travels to the nearby residential area. Having no further discussion, Ms. Solmonson moved, seconded by Secretary Osborne, to approve the manager application subject to the background check and the motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Bunch stated that Mr. Wilkinson will be taking over ownership of the business at some point in the near future. Both Ms. Bunch and Mr. Wilkinson were advised that a new beer application would be required and that the beer permit does not transfer. Ms. Bunch and Mr. Wilkinson stated they were aware of that fact.

NEW BUSINESS/OLD BUSINESS

Reports from Oak Ridge Police Department – None

Former Chairman Randy Tedford

Chairman Bailey requested the Board ask City Council to adopt a special resolution in recognition of Randy Tedford's years of service to the City and the community through his employment as a law enforcement officer, his 13 years of service on the Board, and 11 years of service on the Personnel Advisory Board. Chairman Bailey stated Mr. Tedford is the epitome of a public servant. Chairman Bailey moved, seconded by Ms. Scott, to request the resolution and the motion carried unanimously.

Possible Amendments

For the next meeting, the Board will discuss possible amendments to the beer ordinances. Included in this list will be a change to require a business to open with a date certain of the Board's approval of the beer permit. Additionally, the Board will consider adding the position of a vice chair to run the meetings in the chair's absence.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, Chairman Bailey moved, seconded by Secretary Osborne, to adjourn the meeting at 5:58 p.m. and the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature on Official File
Darren Osborne, Secretary