



**CITY OF CARBONDALE, ILLINOIS
LIQUOR ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes of the Special Meeting
Monday, June 17, 2019**

The City of Carbondale's Liquor Advisory Board held a Special Meeting on Monday, June 17, 2019, in Room 103 of Carbondale City Hall, 200 South Illinois Avenue. Chair Donald Monty called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. with the following-named members of the Board present/absent:

1. Roll Call

Present: John Mills, Mark Robinson, Steve Payne, David Cisco, Colton Newlin, and Don Monty

Absent: Tasis Karayiannis (excused)

A quorum was available to take action on the agenda items. City Staff present for the meeting included City Clerk Jennifer Sorrell and Building & Neighborhood Services Supervisor John Lenzini.

2. Consideration of Renewal Applications from Mendez Family Inc. d/b/a Sergio's Cantina and Los Gringos Inc. d/b/a Tres Hombres for the 2019 – 2020 Liquor License Year

The Board remarked to the licensees present that the matter of late applications and items has been a long-standing problem, and that the City Council may be acting on this by means of adopting a penalty for the late submission of applications.

Sergio's

The Board asked Mr. Mendez why his application was submitted on May 24. Sergio Mendez spoke about having gaming machines at his location, and ongoing issues with health department and a ventilation hood. John Lenzini commented on the amount of work that Mr. Mendez had completed.

M. Robinson moved, J. Mills seconded, to recommend approval of the application and forward it to the Local Liquor Control Commission. VOTE: All voted aye; motion declared carried.

Tres Hombres

The Board asked Mr. Vaughn why his application was submitted on June 7. Jeff Vaughn stated that he had gone through his mail and could not locate a renewal packet. Further, he did not find an email from the City Clerk's office which was sent on May 3 as a reminder. The Board asked about the email address provided on the renewal applications. The Clerk noted that for the past three years, the email address has not been useable for communications from the City. Mr. Vaughn stated that he used it successfully in other communications. The Board noted that the percentage of food/non-alcoholic beverages did not meet the 51% threshold; the City Clerk recalled that at a renewal meeting the previous year, the City Attorney indicated that the amount of sales reported for video gaming could not be used in the calculation, but was still required to be reported. Removing the video gaming totals moved the food/non-alcoholic beverage sales just barely above 51%.

J. Mills moved, D. Cisco seconded, to recommend approval of the application and forward it to the Local Liquor Control Commission. VOTE: All voted aye; motion declared carried.

3. Citizens' Comments

The Clerk noted that the next scheduled date is July 11, but it is not clear what business will be conducted.

4. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

Jennifer R. Sorrell, City Clerk

Date Approved