

## **BEER BOARD MEETING**

**August 7, 2007**

The Jackson, Tennessee Beer Board met at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 7, 2007, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Board members Charles "Pepper" Bray, Johnny Dodd and Charles Rahm. Also present were City Attorneys, Lewis Cobb and Brandon McWherter; Jackson Police Chief Rick Staples and Commander Dennis Mays; John Robert Mehr, II and Ron Pennel, representatives from the Mayor's Office; Gary Hardee, Building and Housing Codes Inspector; and Anita Brooks, recorder of the minutes.

The meeting was called to order. On the motion of Board member Bray seconded by Board member Rahm, the minutes from the August 2, 2007 meeting were unanimously approved.

### **SHOW CAUSE HEARING:**

Today was the date set to hold a show cause hearing for an establishment known as The Palace, located at 45 Broadview Drive, Suite G. Present were David Camp, legal representative for The Palace; Matt Maddox, legal representative for Jamie Smith; and Joe Byrd, legal representative for Keith Huggins.

City Attorney Lewis Cobb advised that the information presented in the show cause hearing from the Jackson Police Department would be the same information presented in a preliminary hearing on criminal charges that have been filed in connection with the incidents that occurred at The Palace. Attorney Cobb advised that after being in consultation with the Chief of Police and the Attorney General about the matter, it was his recommendation to allow the preliminary hearing for criminal proceedings to go first and then hold the show cause hearing after the preliminary hearing had been held. Attorney Cobb further advised that the preliminary hearing would be held at the end of the month. The attorneys that were present had no objections to the city attorney's recommendation. Board member Rahm made a motion to delay the show cause hearing until the next Beer Board Meeting, which will be held on September 4, 2007, following the City Council Meeting. Board member Bray seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

## **BEER APPLICATIONS:**

Chairman Dodd presented an application for Alfia Jivan for a business known as Jackson Convenient Store LLC, located at 1291 North Highland Avenue, for “selling, storing and distributing for consumption off the premises.” Ms. Alfia Jivan and Mr. Shivinder Sofat were present. On the motion of Board member Rahm, seconded by Chairman Dodd, the application was unanimously approved.

Chairman Dodd presented an application for a business known as El Mezcal Grocery Store, located at 621 Old Hickory Boulevard, for “selling, storing and distributing for consumption off the premises.” Ms. Suje Castro, owner, was present. On the motion of Board member Rahm, seconded by Board member Bray, the application was unanimously approved.

Chairman Dodd presented an application for Pamela Long for a business known as Katz and Hounddawgs, located at 697 South Royal Street, for “selling, storing and serving on the premises where sold.” Ms. Pamela Long was present. On the motion of Board member Bray, seconded by Board member Rahm, the application was unanimously approved.

Chairman Dodd presented an application for Jill Mendoza for a business/organization known as the Jackson Downtown Development Corporation for a permit to “sell, store and serve beer on the premises where sold” for events hosted by the Jackson Downtown Development Corporation. Ms. Jill Mendoza was present and advised that the request was for two (2) events, the Bluesfest held at the Farmer’s Market in June 2008 and the Business After Hours Block Party held on September 6, 2007, at the corner of Liberty Street between College Street and East Lafayette Street. Ms. Mendoza asked if she could get one permit to cover all events hosted by the Jackson Downtown Development Corporation. Ms. Mendoza was advised that a permit to sell beer would need to be obtained for each event that was hosted by the Jackson Downtown Development Corporation. On the motion of Board member Rahm, seconded by Board member Bray, the application for a permit to “sell, store and serve beer” at the Business After Hours Block Party was unanimously approved.

Chairman Dodd presented an application for Chris Coughlin for a business/organization known as the West Tennessee State Fair for a special occasion

permit to “sell, store and serve beer” at an event to be held at the Jackson Fairgrounds Park on September 11-16, 2007. Mr. Chris Coughlin was present. On the motion of Board member Bray, seconded by Board member Rahm, the application was unanimously approved.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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JOHNNY DODD, CHAIRMAN