## LIQUOR AND BEER MEETING LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO TWO RIVERS CONVENTION CENTER, 159 MAIN STREET

### MINUTES

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1999, 8:00 A.M.

I. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> – The meeting was convened at 8:02 a.m. Those present were Hearing Officer Phil Coebergh, Assistant City Attorney John Shaver and Senior Administrative Assistant Christine English.

#### II. APPLICATIONS TO RENEW LIQUOR AND BEER LICENSES

1. C & F Food Stores Incorporated dba C & F Food Stores No. 9, 2847 North Avenue, 3.2% Beer Off Premise

Frank Childs, representing C & F Food Stores, was present. The application was in order and approved.

2. Bookcliff Oil Incorporated dba BGS, 2896 North Avenue, 3.2% Beer Off Premise

The application was in order and approved.

3. Redlands Green Wave dba Redlands Liquor, 2516 Broadway #13, Retail Liquor Store

The application was in order and approved.

#### III. APPLICATIONS FOR RENEWAL AND REPORT OF CHANGE IN CORPORATE STRUCTURE

1. Beye Lotz Grand Junction VFW Post #1247, 1404 Ute Avenue, Tavern

Jr. Vice Commander:Joseph Thomas Frost replaces Kenneth LargentTrustee:Fred W. Kline, Jr. replaces Donald Cole

The applications were in order and approved.

- 2. Bookcliff Country Club Incorporated dba Bookcliff Country Club, 2730 G Road, Hotel-Restaurant
  - Director: Robert Arnold Butler replaces Brian Mahoney
  - Director: Judith Ann Tremblry Jepson replaces Larry Johnson

Director: Lena Marie Watson replaces Kevin Shean

Mimi King, office manager, was present. The applications were in order. Mr. Shaver noted that the Police report on Mr. Butler revealed a DWAI. Mr. Butler did disclose this on his individual history. The dates on the Police report are not consistent with Mr. Butler's disclosure, but upon consultation with the City Clerk's office, it has been determined that they are the same offense. Mr. Shaver recommended approval. Mr. Coebergh concurred and the applications were approved.

## IV. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL AND DECISION ON CAUSE FOR LATE FILING

1. P & S Incorporated dba Orchard Mesa Lanes, 295 27 Road, Hotel-Restaurant License expires December 7, 1999, Renewal filed November 5, 1999

Kathy Singer, bookkeeper, and Eric Loeb, owner, were present. Ms. English read into the record the letter of explanation (see attached). Mr. Shaver asked Ms. Singer what additional information she had brought with her today. Ms. Singer stated she brought another letter that shows the dates she was out of town. Mr. Shaver recommended that good cause be found for the late renewal. The licensee does not have any prior history of this nature. Mr. Shaver noted the renewal application states it needs to be filed 45 days prior to the expiration date which makes it a couple a weeks late and not a couple of days as the letter of explanation states. Mr. Coebergh concurred with Mr. Shaver and stated the state statute requires the filing to be done in a timely manner. The application was in order and approved.

2. Sumiko Boyd dba Suehiro Japanese Restaurant, 541 Main Street, Hotel-Restaurant License expires December 5, 1999, Renewal filed November 12, 1999

There was no one present representing Sumiko Boyd. Ms. English noted this was the second year of late filing for this establishment. A letter of explanation was submitted and read into the record (see attached). Mr. Coebergh asked if a letter was sent to the applicant indicating someone needed to be present at the hearing. Ms. English stated she had spoken to Mr. Boyd at the time he filed the late renewal and told him someone needed to be present representing Suehiro's. Also, when the agenda was sent to the applicant, a note was attached stating someone needed to be present at the hearing.

Mr. Shaver stated, consistent with the past practice of the Authority, an appearance by the applicant is required. Mr. Shaver recommended, at this point, that good cause not be found and to continue this to the next scheduled meeting to compel the attendance of the licensee. State statute requires the renewal application be sent to the physical address of the licensee and yet this was sent to their accountant in Colorado Springs.

Mr. Coebergh concurred and requested a letter be sent to the licensee indicating the need for their presence at the next meeting which is December 15, 1999.

## V. DECISION AND RESOLUTION OF FINDINGS RE: APPLICATION FOR NEW LICENSE

1. Karbar Incorporated dba Capers on Colorado, 359 Colorado Avenue Suite 102, Hotel-Restaurant

President/Treasurer:Barry Turner, 3915 Applewood Street, Grand JunctionVice President/Secretary:Karen Turner, 3915 Applewood Street, Grand Junction

Barry and Karen Turner were present. The application was in order. Ms. English read into the record the report to the Licensing Authority (see attached). All final inspections need to be completed prior to issuance of the license.

Mr. Shaver asked who had conducted the survey and if the results read into the record were true and accurate. Mr. Turner stated his wife, Karen Turner, conducted the survey and the results were accurate. It was difficult to get people to sign the petition but the verbal responses were very positive. This will be an upscale cocktail lounge and restaurant serving lunches and dinner.

Mr. Shaver recommended approval pending final inspections by the Health, Fire and building departments. Mr. Coebergh concurred and the application was approved and a resolution to that effect is to be prepared.

VI. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> – The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

# NEXT REGULAR MEETING – December 15, 1999

#### 11/5/99

To Whom It May Concern:

We apologize for filing the licenses a few days late. It was my responsibility to have them filed. I had every intention of having them filed 45 days ahead, however, there was a death in my family (my aunt) and I had to leave the state.

As soon as I returned, I filed the paperwork with your office. I hope you will understand why they were late.

Thank You,

<u>/s/ Katherine Singer</u> Katherine Singer Accounting November 11, 1999

Received November 12, 1999

This letter is an explanation of the late filing of the liquor license for Suehiro Japanese Restaurant at 541 Main Street in Grand Junction, Co. The application was first sent to the restaurant's account, Wyckoff & Associates, in Colorado Springs, which caused a delay. When it arrived in Grand Junction the previous manager, Paul A. Yokomiro, did not treat the matter with a sense of urgency. The owner, Sumiko Boyd, was unaware of the situation until arriving back from Japan after a four month stay there. I apologize for the inconvenience this has caused.

<u>/s/ Christopher A. Boyd</u> Christopher A. Boyd Manager

Memo to:	Local Licensing Authority

From: Christine English, Acting City Clerk

Date: November 16, 1999

Subject: Application by Karbar Incorporated for a Hotel and Restaurant Liquor License at 359 Colorado Avenue under the trade name of Capers on Colorado

Karbar Incorporated filed an application with the Local Licensing Authority on October 20, 1999, for a new Hotel and Restaurant liquor license, for the sales of malt, vinous and spirituous liquors by the drink for consumption on the premises at 359 Colorado Avenue under the trade name of Capers on Colorado. The application and supplementary documents were reviewed, found to be in order and accepted. The application has been forwarded to the state for a concurrent review. The hearing date was set for December 1, 1999. The Notice of Hearing was given by posting a sign on the property on November 19, 1999 and by publishing a display ad in <u>The Daily Sentinel</u> on November 19, 1999.

In order to address the reasonable requirements of the neighborhood and the desires of the adult inhabitants of the neighborhood, the applicant conducted a survey and defined the neighborhood as the area bounded by Chipeta Avenue on the north, 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue on the south, 9<sup>th</sup> Street on the east and Rockaway Avenue (if extended) on the west and included both sides of the streets as the outer boundaries. The results of that survey are as follows:

1. As an owner of property in the neighborhood, an employee of or business lessee of property in the neighborhood, and/or an inhabitant residing in the neighborhood for more than six months each year, I believe the reasonable requirements of the neighborhood are already being met by other existing outlets.

YES:	0
NO:	41

2. As an inhabitant who resides in the neighborhood more than six months each year, it is my desire that the license be issued.

YES:	11
NO:	0
NOT APPLICABLE:	0

No letters of opposition or counterpetitions have been filed to date.

The Grand Junction Police Department has investigated the corporate officers for local criminal history and none was found. The fingerprints have been forwarded onto C.B.I. for further processing. A report has been requested from the Grand Junction Fire Department to ensure compliance with Life and Safety codes. The Health Department will be inspecting the premises for compliance with health codes. The Code Enforcement Division will inspect the premises to ensure that the diagram submitted matches the physical layout and that the Notice of Hearing is posted in a timely manner. A Certificate of Occupancy has been requested from the Mesa County Building Department. This will need to be filed in this office prior to the issuance of the license.

The number of similar-type outlets in the survey area is as follows:

Hotel and Restaurant - 13 (Blue Moon Bar & Grill, Colorado Catfish & Bar B Que, The Corral, Crystal Café & Bake Shop, Dolce Vita, Eagle Café, il Bistro Italiano, Junct'n Square, Los Reyes, Sports Page, Suehiro Japanese Restaurant, Two Rivers Convention Center and The Winery)

The number of similar type outlets in a one mile area in addition to the above are:

Hotel and Restaurant – 9 (Big Cheese Pizza, Chef's, The Crab Shack, Cruisers Southwestern Café, Dos Hombres, Far East, Fiesta Guadalajara, Old Chicago, and Pancho's Villa)

That concludes this report.

cc: Applicant John Shaver, Assistant City Attorney Julia Marston, Grand Junction Police Department File