

**LIQUOR AND BEER MEETING
LOCAL LICENSING AUTHORITY
CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO
MUNICIPAL HEARING ROOM, CITY HALL, 250 NORTH 5TH STREET**

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2012, 2:00 P.M.

I. **CALL TO ORDER** - The meeting convened at 2:00 p.m. Those present were Hearing Officer Mike Grattan, City Attorney John Shaver, and Deputy City Clerk Juanita Peterson.

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

1. JNS Inc., dba Tavern on the Point, 2938 North Avenue, Unit D, Grand Junction, CO 81504-2968, Tavern

No one was present representing the applicant.

The application for renewal for JNS Inc. dba Tavern on the Point was found to be in order and approved.

2. Dancing Spirits, LLC dba Horizon Liquor, 715 Horizon Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81506, Retail Liquor Store

No one was present representing the applicant.

The application for renewal for Dancing Spirits, LLC dba Horizon Liquor was found to be in order and approved.

3. Rush Corporation dba Kokopelli Liquor, 2996 D Road, Unit A, Grand Junction, CO 81504, Retail Liquor Store

Bradley Rush, Owner, was present representing the applicant.

The application for renewal for Rush Corporation dba Kokopelli Liquor was found to be in order and approved.

4. Carino's Italian Kitchen Inc., dba Carino's Italian, 2480 Highway 6 & 50, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Hotel and Restaurant

No one was present representing the applicant.

The application for renewal for Carino's Italian Kitchen Inc. dba Carion's Italian was found to be in order and approved.

III. APPLICATIONS TO RENEW LIQUOR AND BEER LICENSE WITH OUTDOOR DINING LEASE

1. Dynamic Adventures Limited dba Le Rouge, 317 Main Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Hotel and Restaurant with Outdoor Dining Lease

No one was present representing the applicant.

Ms. Peterson reported the application for renewal for Dynamic Adventures Limited dba Le Rouge was turned in timely but there are issues with the Health Department. They will re-inspect on March 12, 2012 to see if the 14 critical violations are cleared up.

Hearing Officer Grattan said to continue this to the next meeting which is March 21, 2012 to make sure they are in compliance and ask the applicant to be present if they are not.

IV. APPLICATIONS TO RENEW LIQUOR AND BEER LICENSES WITH TASTING PERMIT

1. Planet Wines, LLC dba Planet Wines, 420 Main Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Retail Liquor Store with Tasting Permit

No one was present representing the applicant.

The application for renewal and the tasting permit for Planet Wines, LLC dba Planet Wines was found to be in order and approved.

V. APPLICATION TO CHANGE TRADE NAME

1. Main Street Management dba Main Street Suites, 225 Main Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Tavern

New Trade Name: Fairfield Inn and Suites

No one was present representing the applicant.

The application for change in trade name was found to be in order and approved.

VI. APPLICATIONS FOR REGISTRATION OF NEW MANAGER

1. Outback Steakhouse of Florida, LLC dba Outback Steakhouse - #0621, 2432 Hwy. 6&50, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Hotel and Restaurant

Bryan Rohrbacher, 2343 Rattlesnake Ct., Grand Junction, CO 81507, replaces Ryan Elmore

No one was present representing the applicant.

The application for registration of new manager was found to be in order and approved.

2. The Grand Inn, LLLP dba Holiday Inn Hotel and SuiteS Grand Junction, 2751 Crossroads Blvd., Grand Junction, CO, 81506, Hotel and Restaurant

Tammy Sue Mower, 2854 ½ Hill Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501, replaces Tami Ivey

Tammy Mower, new general manager, was present.

The application for registration of new manager was found to be in order and approved.

3. Red Robin International, Inc. dba Red Robin America's Gourmet Burgers and Spirits, 2530 Rimrock Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Hotel and Restaurant

Bryan M. Jancich, 2054 Bookcliff Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501, replaces Roger Perry

Bryan M. Jancich, new general manager, was present.

The application for registration of new manager was found to be in order and approved.

VII. APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT

1. Grand Junction Lodge No. 270, Loyal Order of Moose, 567 25 ½ Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505 – Dancing with the Stars on March 25, 2012 from 6:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m., 567 25 ½ Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505

Secretary/Event Man.: Dennis J. Tobin, 2676 H Rd. Grand Junction, CO 81506

Dennis Tobin, Secretary/Event Manager was present.

City Attorney Shaver asked the applicant why they were applying for this Special Events Permit? Mr. Tobin stated they were approached to use the facility for this event and it would be open to the public. This is one of the largest dance floors in the valley.

Hearing Officer Grattan stated that the issuance of this special event permit is in compliance with applicable laws subject on the criteria of the statute.

City Attorney Shaver concurred. The application for Special Events Permit for the Grand Junction Lodge No. 270, Loyal Order of Moose was found to be in order and approved.

VIII. APPLICATION FOR NEW LICENSE – RESOLUTION AND FINDINGS AND DECISION - CONTINUATION

1. Tepanyaki Japanese Steak House, LLC dba Tepanyaki Steak House & Sushi Bar, 752 ½ Horizon Drive, Grand Junction, CO 81506, Hotel and Restaurant

Managing Member: Sable H. Voo, 276 East 4960 North, Provo, UT 84604
Member: Duong A. Sy, 276 East 4960 North, Provo, UT 84604

Hearing Officer Grattan wanted on the record that he has represented the applicants for contract and trademark issues but only advised them to see the City Clerk's Office for their liquor license application.

Ms. Peterson said the applicant did not get the premises posted or turn in the needs and desires survey so would like this to be continued until March 21, 2012.

Hearing Officer Grattan agreed to continue until that time. City Attorney Shaver concurred.

Ms. Peterson said the applicant was provided with a new notice to post the premises with the new hearing date along with new survey petitions.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

1. DSDJ Entertainment, Inc. dba The Red Room, 103 N. 1st Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501, Hotel and Restaurant

Review to verify there is a firm plan in place to meet the food requirement as per the State Statute

Ms. Peterson reported that Mr. Weaver has turned into the City Clerk's office a completed application for a new Tavern Liquor License. The application is pending acceptance.

Mr. Weaver was present and said that there is legislation SB12-118, that might eliminate the 25% food requirement for hotel-restaurant liquor licenses.

Ms. Peterson copied the draft bill for both Hearing Officer Grattan and City Attorney Shaver but they only received it at the beginning of this meeting.

Mr. Weaver said he has hired a new chef and will start serving lunches and dinner but with the economy the way it is, it will be difficult to meet the 25% food requirement as the law is now.

City Attorney Shaver said his office would follow up on this and find out the final outcome of this Bill in the House. Both agreed that Mr. Weaver has acted in

good faith to resolve this matter but if this repeals the 25% food service there would be no need to do a transfer of ownership. City Attorney Shaver will update the Authority when the final bill is signed by the Governor.

X. **ADJOURNMENT** – 2:40 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – March 21, 2012