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Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting

Date 9/12/2023

City Council Chambers

Members Present: Mike Fitzsimmons, Chairperson
Nancy Binder, Member
Kenneth Arsenault, Member
John Czasnowski, Lieutenant
Ashley Metivier, Clerk

Attendees Present: Stacey Kazinskas, Moon Hill Brewing
Sara Brown, Fitness Concepts
Leonette Roy, Annunciation Parish
Alex Jarvis, Golf Rx

Call to Order: 4:30pm
Opening Announcements

Minutes:

Approval of the June 13, 2023, meeting minutes.

Hearings:

Stacey Kazinskas presented Oktoberfest requests. This event is set to take place on September 30, 2023, through Parker Street, from 11am-8pm.

Stacey proposed a change from last year, one of which would include extending the "No Alcohol Beyond This Point" to the end of Parker, beyond the parking lot of what was Bank of America, where there will be a kids' activity section, as opposed to the previous stop point of Orpheum Park. Lieutenant Czasnowski explained their available staffing of officers would not allow for proper manpower beyond that of what is typically done. Increasing the alcohol consumption point would require more officers on than they would have available. It was decided to use Orpheum Park as the stop point for where alcohol could be carried. Six officers, working 3:3, with staggered shifts will work the event. It was also mentioned Moon Hill Brewing will have ten members of their own staff as security, those who have worked the events many times previously. Conversation continued on police manpower. Lt. Czasnowski described their plan to have officers at West Street parking lot and roaming. Last call will be around 7:00pm in hopes to have everything cleared out by 9:00pm.

Fabulous Fall Festival will also be running from 10:00am-4:00pm on Main Street, which would be a nonalcohol area. Lt. Czasnowski said they would be able to accommodate an officer there as well.

Moment given for other vendors to speak; no one stepped forward.

All Board members voted in favor of approving requests for 1-Day Oktoberfest event for Moon Hill Brewing, Red Apple Farm Cidery, Decanted Wine Truck, River Styx Brewing, Tavern 13, and Acadian Club. Reminder issued to post license in serving area.

Sara Brown appeared to represent Fitness Concepts with their request for a 1-Day license to serve beer/cider. Event to be held is Fall Fitness Fusion: Barre, Yoga, & Brews, on October 5th, running from 4:00pm-8:00pm, with about 100 attendees expected. Each participant is offered 1 beer, 1 cider, with no option for more. All Board members voted in favor of approving the request.

Leonette Roy, Annunciation Parish, presented to request 1-Day for their Fall Bazaar and Turkey Raffle. This event is to be held on October 15th, from 5:00pm-9:00pm, with approximately 100 attendees expected. Opportunity given for any questions, comments, concerns. All Board members voted in favor of approving the request.

Alex Jarvis, Golf Rx, appeared for an Annual Malt & Wine license. This will be an indoor virtual golf establishment, consisting of three simulator bays with a lounge area. Beer, seltzers, and wine would be served. Alex spoke with Members to explain the layout of the facility, located at 109 Main Street, Unit #2. Seasonally, hours would be 10:00am-10:00pm. Parking technicalities and options were explored. Board members took a moment to look over the application packet and its supporting documentation. Resident Nancy Brown, a neighboring property, spoke on behalf of her parking concern and that her dog may become vocal and "drive everybody insane". This was pleasantly discussed and did not create a need for any additional steps or precautions to be taken by business owner, Alex Jarvis. All Board members voted in favor of approving the request.

Old Business: No old business was discussed.

New Business: No new business was discussed.

Date of next regular meeting: Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at 4:30pm

Adjournment: - Motion to adjourn by Kenneth Arsenault, seconded by Nancy Binder, meeting adjourned by Chair Fitzsimons.

Approved by:



Date Approved:

10/11/23