HISTORIC FRANKLIN TENNESSEE

City of Franklin

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Meeting Minutes

Beer Board

Tuesday, February 11, 2025 | **4:30 PM** | **Board Room**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jason Potts called the meeting to order at 04:31 PM

Board Members Present: Clyde Barnhill, Jason Potts, Greg Caesar

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Blake Harper, Jessica Davey, Cayce Anderson

SETTING OF THE AGENDA

1. **Consideration Of Changes In Agenda And Setting The Agenda**
   - **i. Discussion Of Removal Of Items From Consent/Changes Not Requiring A Vote**
   - **ii. Proposed Changes To The Agenda**
   - **iii. Approval Of Agenda As Submitted Or Changed**

   Sponsors:

   A motion was made by Vice Chair Greg Caesar, seconded by Alderman Clyde Barnhill to Approve the Agenda as Submitted. The motion passed 3-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS (Open for citizens to be heard on any issue or concern, including those related to items on the agenda. Please submit a Speaker Card at the beginning of the meeting if you would like to address the Board/Commission. If you would like to speak on an agenda item, the Chair will hold your comment until the public comment period associated with the item. As provided by law, Boards/Commissions shall make no decisions or consideration of action of citizen comments for items not on the agenda, except to refer the matter to the City Administrator/Staff for administrative consideration, or to a schedule the matter for consideration at a later date. Those addressing the Board/Commission are requested to come to the microphone and identify themselves by name and address for the official record. The Chair may restrict the period for public comment, including the length of the public comment period, the number of individuals who can speak and the length of time each individual may speak. When time allows, the standard individual public comment time is two minutes.)

Comments on agenda items may be made in person at City Hall or by emailing recorder@franklintn.gov before noon on the day of the meeting. Comments will be submitted for the record.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2. **Consideration Of Approval Of Minutes**
   January 14, 2025 Beer Board

   Sponsors:

   A motion was made by Alderman Clyde Barnhill, seconded by Vice Chair Greg Caesar to Approve the January 14, 2025 Beer Board Meeting Minutes. The motion passed 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS

3. **Consideration Of Application Of Hao Pot, LLC, D/B/A Beijing Hot Pot, 2000 Mallory Lane Suite 310, Franklin, TN 37067, Yi Qiang Chen, Managing Agent, For On Premises Consumption**

Sponsors: Billing and Licensing

Rose Ke, owner and manager of Beijing Hot Pot, was in attendance to answer any questions from the Board. Ms. Davey explained that this application is for a new business in Franklin. Ms. Ke described the cuisine and expressed excitement about bringing a new cultural dining experience to Franklin.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Greg Caesar, seconded by Alderman Clyde Barnhill to Approve the Beer Permit. The motion passed 3-0.

4. **Consideration Of Application Of Purity First Restaurants, LLC, D/B/A Pizza Twist, 1935 Mallory Lane Suite 200, Franklin, TN 37067, Sachin Garg, Managing Agent, For On Premises Consumption**

Sponsors: Billing and Licensing

Sachin Garg and Raman Verma, co-owners of Pizza Twist, were in attendance to answer any questions from the Board. Ms. Davey explained that this is an existing business with new ownership. Mr. Garg and Mr. Verma presented their alcohol consumption policy to the Board for reference.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Greg Caesar, seconded by Alderman Clyde Barnhill to Approve the Beer Permit Contingent Upon Approval of the Certificate of Occupancy. The motion passed 3-0.

5. **Consideration Of Application Of S & S Technology, LLC, D/B/A Jevo, 318 Seaboard Lane Suite 405, Franklin, TN 37067, Jeffrey F. Welk, Managing Agent, For Manufacturer's And Distributor's Permit**

Sponsors: Billing and Licensing

John Oberg, COO of Jevo, Jeffrey Welk CEO of Jevo, and Tucker Herndon, legal representative for Jevo, were all present to answer any questions from the Board. Ms. Davey explained that Jevo is seeking a manufacturer's and distributor's permit. It is all off-premises consumption. Mr. Herndon explained that manufacturing operations will occur in Franklin and distribution will go through the wholesalers.

Alderman Caesar asked if they plan to ever incorporate a tasting room for on-premises consumption? Answer: Not at this point in time.

A motion was made by Alderman Clyde Barnhill, seconded by Vice Chair Greg Caesar to Approve the Beer Permit Contingent Upon Approval of the Certificate of Occupancy. The motion passed 3-0.

6. **Consideration Of Application Of Heritage Foundation Of Williamson County, D/B/A Main Street Festival, In Front Of McCreary's Pub And On The Public Square, Franklin TN, 37064, Ian Hunt, Managing Agent, For Special Event, Event Date And Hours: April 26-27, 2025, 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM**

Sponsors: Billing and Licensing

Jayme Smith, Director of Events for the Heritage Foundation of Williamson County, was in attendance to answer any questions from the Board. Ms. Smith elaborated on the location for alcoholic beverage purchase and consumption in front of McCreary's Irish Pub & Eatery on Main Street, and she noted that the beer tent will operate as it has in years past.

A motion was made by Alderman Clyde Barnhill, seconded by Vice Chair Greg Caesar to Approve the Beer Permit. The motion passed 3-0.

7. **Consideration Of Application Of Heritage Foundation Of Williamson County, D/B/A 52nd Annual Heritage Ball, Bicentennial Park, 400 5th Avenue N, Franklin TN, 37064, Ian Hunt, Managing Agent, For Special Event, Event Date And Hours: October 4, 2025 4:00 PM - 12:00 AM**

Sponsors: Billing and Licensing

This item was addressed concurrently to item 6.

A motion was made by Alderman Clyde Barnhill, seconded by Vice Chair Greg Caesar to Approve the Beer Permit. The motion passed 3-0.

8. **Consideration Of Application Of Heritage Foundation Of Williamson County, D/B/A Pumpkinfest, In Front Of McCreary's Pub And On The Public Square, Franklin TN 37064, Ian Hunt, Managing Agent, For Special Event, Event Date And Hours: October 25, 2025 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM**

Sponsors: Billing and Licensing

This item was addressed concurrently to item 6.

A motion was made by Alderman Clyde Barnhill, seconded by Vice Chair Greg Caesar to Approve the Beer Permit. The motion passed 3-0.

9. **Consideration Of Application Of Heritage Foundation Of Williamson County, D/B/A Dickens Of A Christmas, In Front Of McCreary's Pub And On The Public Square, Franklin TN 37064, Ian Hunt, Managing Agent, For Special Event, Event Date And Hours: December 13, 2025 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM And December 14, 2025 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

Sponsors: Billing and Licensing

This item was addressed concurrently to item 6.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Greg Caesar, seconded by Alderman Clyde Barnhill to Approve the Beer Permit. The motion passed 3-0.

10. **Consideration Of Ordinance 2024-52, An Ordinance To Amend The City Of Franklin Municipal Code, Section 8-209, To Clarify The Types Of Beer Permits That May Be Issued By The Beer Board**

Sponsors: Jessica Davey, Blake Harper

A motion was made by Vice Chair Greg Caesar, seconded by Alderman Clyde Barnhill to Recommend the Ordinance for Approval to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. The motion passed 3-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Davey recognized her team for successfully collecting the annual beer privilege tax for all 250 active beer permits in the City.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Vice Chair Greg Caesar, seconded by Alderman Clyde Barnhill to Adjourn the Meeting. The motion passed 3-0.

Meeting Adjourned @ 4:56 PM

~~Jason Potts~~, Chair (acting)
Greg Caeser

Minutes Prepared by Sarah Schilling, Assistant Deputy City Recorder, City Administrator's Office - 2/20/25, 3:02PM