

Minutes of the Liquor Control Review Board
Tuesday, March 28, 2017 - 7:30 p.m.
Village Hall - Room 215

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Victoria Scaman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
2. **Roll Call:**
Present: Chair Victoria Scaman, Members Ron Orzel, Lyn Conniff, and Jane Miller

Absent: Phil Keeku

Also Present: Business Services Manager Loretta Daly and Village Attorney Paul Stephanides.

3. **Agenda Approval**

It was moved by Member Orzel and seconded by Member Miller to approve the Agenda as presented. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved.

4. **Public Comment**

None.

5. **Approval of Minutes**

It was moved by Member Miller and seconded by Member Conniff to approve the minutes of the Liquor Control Review Board (“LCRB”) meeting of February 28, 2017 as presented. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved as presented.

6. **New Business**

A. **Application of Nueva Era Restaurant B-4 Liquor License**

AJ Bhatia introduced himself and provided background on Nueva Era Restaurant’s application (Latin fusion concept) at 107 N. Oak Park Avenue. Roberto Avila introduced himself as manager and chef and provided background on his other restaurants: Al Tiro Latin Fusion Restaurant (Mexican, Italian, Spanish and South American products, as well as organic). They have restaurants in Geneva (opened in March 2013) Roscoe Village (opened in May 2015, and West Chicago (opened in March 2016) and those restaurants are doing well. Nueva Era Restaurant will have seating for 60-70 people. There will be a bar with wine, beer and craft drinks (cocktails). Bhatia was asked if he was the applicant (individually), to which he stated that he has a corporation (Nueva Era), and he is the 100% shareholder of the corporation. He also has four Taco Bell restaurants in Iowa. There will be no outdoor seating.

It was moved by Member Orzel and seconded by Member Conniff to approve a B-4 liquor license for the applicant Nueva Era at 107 N. Oak Park Avenue.

The roll call was as follows:

AYES: Members Scaman, Orzel, Conniff, and Miller

NAYS: None

The Motion was approved.

B. Application of Two Brothers Restaurant

Gabe Nanni introduced himself as Director of Restaurant Operations for Two Brothers and he provided background on Two Brothers Restaurant's application. The location will be at 100 South Marion. It will be a full-service restaurant and bar. No brewing of beer will take place at the premises. Beer will be sold at the premises and will be brewed at Two Brothers' location in Warrenville, Illinois. They have four other restaurants: The Tap Room (Warrenville), Roundhouse (Aurora), Two Brothers Reserve (Scottsdale), and Craftsman (Naperville). Regarding the floorplan, they will not be changing the patio or seating at the bar. Mr. Nanni will be the General Manager of the restaurant. There will be a café space, bar and dining room. There will be seating for 100 persons inside the restaurant and 30 persons outside. All servers will be BASSET certified. The proposed Ordinance creates a B-5 liquor license classification to allow the retail sale of alcoholic liquors for off-site consumption and the service of alcoholic liquors for on-site consumption. Two Brothers plans to open before Memorial Day, 2017. Gabe Nanni will be the initial General Manager of the restaurant.

A motion was made by Member Orzel and seconded by Member Conniff to recommend adoption of the Ordinance creating a B-5 liquor license classification.

The roll call was as follows:

AYES: Members Scaman, Orzel, Conniff and Miller

NAYS: None

The motion was approved.

A motion to approve a B-5 liquor license for Two Brothers Restaurant Group, LLC at 100 South Marion Street was made by Member Miller and seconded by Member Orzel

The roll call was as follows:

AYES: Members Scaman, Orzel, Conniff and Miller

NAYS: None

The motion was approved.

C. April 2017 Renewals

The April 2017 annual liquor license renewals were presented. A motion was made by Member Miller and seconded by Member Orzel to approve the annual renewals.

The roll call was as follows:

AYES: Members Scaman, Orzel, Conniff and Miller
NAYS: None
The motion was approved.

7. **Old Business**

None.

8. **Administrative Report**

None.

9. **Board Member Comments**

None.

10. **Adjournment**

It was moved by Member Miller and seconded by Member Conniff to adjourn. A voice vote was taken and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul L. Stephanides, Board Liaison and Recording Secretary