



# WHISTLER

## MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING OF LIQUOR LICENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2017, STARTING AT 8:48 A.M.

**At Municipal Hall – Piccolo Room  
4325 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V0N 1B4**

#### **PRESENT:**

Accommodation Sector Representative, Chair, Colin Hedderson  
Food & Beverage Sector Representative – Pubs, Mike Wilson  
Food & Beverage Sector Representative – Nightclubs, Terry Clark  
Whistler Community Services Society Representative, Cheryl Skribe  
Whistler Fire Rescue Service Representative, Geoff Playfair  
Public Safety Department Representative, RCMP, Jolaine Percival  
RMOW Staff Representative, Secretary, Frank Savage  
Liquor Control and Licensing Branch (LCLB) Inspector, Holly Glenn  
Recording Secretary, Shannon Perry

#### **REGRETS:**

Councillor, Steve Anderson  
Food & Beverage Representative – Restaurants, Vice-Chair, Kevin Wallace

#### **GUESTS:**

Colin Pyne – General Manager, Whistler Brewing Company  
Don Gordon – Sales and Marketing, Whistler Brewing Company

#### **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Moved by Mike Wilson  
Seconded by Geoff Playfair

**That** Liquor Licence Advisory Committee adopt the Liquor Licence Advisory Committee agenda of May 11, 2017.

CARRIED

#### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by Cheryl Skribe  
Seconded by Mike Wislon

**That** Liquor Licence Advisory Committee adopt the Liquor Licence Advisory Committee minutes of April 13, 2017

CARRIED

#### **COUNCIL UPDATE**

In Councillor Anderson's absence Frank Savage provided an update. Council adopted the amended Council Policy G-17 *Municipal Liquor Licensing Policy* at the May 9, 2017 Council meeting. Policy will be available to the public via the RMOW website. The amended municipal liquor licensing application fee

bylaw is scheduled for first three readings at the May 23, 2017 Council meeting and anticipated for adoption at the June 6, 2017 Council meeting.

## **PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS**

### **LLR1280 Whistler Brewing Company – Brewery Lounge Endorsement**

Frank Savage presented the highlights of a report on Whistler Brewing Company application for a brewery lounge endorsement at its Function Junction brewery.

1. Whistler Brewing Company has operated a brewery at 1015 Millar Creek Road since 2009. This application requests a brewery lounge endorsement to its beer manufacturing licence.
2. The LCLB requires a resolution from local government council addressing the same regulatory criteria as for a new liquor primary licence.
3. The municipal process requires a review by LLAC with a recommendation to municipal Council.
4. The brewery operates with a manufacturing licence, which permits them to produce beer, conduct tours, provide tastings, sell up to 375 ml of beer per day to patrons and sell beer produced on site to the public for consumption elsewhere.
5. The application being considered by the LLAC is for a brewery lounge, which can operate somewhat like a neighbourhood pub, with restrictions that only beer produced on site plus 20% other liquor may be sold.
6. The plans include both indoor and patio areas. The patio requires a municipal Development Permit and may not be part of the initial liquor licence application to the LCLB.
7. Hours of service 11 a.m. to 1 a.m.; interior occupant load is 67 persons and patio occupant load is 18 persons; minors permitted when accompanied by a parent or guardian; food and non-alcoholic beverages must be available at a reasonable price.
8. This application was referred to LLAC members for comment. No concerns were expressed. Three newspaper advertisements were placed in the local newspaper as well as a sign at the site to solicit comments from the public. Comments are due by May 20; no comments have been received to date.
9. The nearest liquor primary establishments are located at Creekside.
10. Noise impacts: There are few nearby residents, and the brewery lounge is planning to close by 10 p.m. The licence would permit the lounge to operate to 1 a.m., in accordance with municipal policy.
11. Community impacts: Craft breweries are becoming more popular, this presents an opportunity for residents and visitors to sample the beer.
12. LLAC criteria: There is no new development associated with this application. There is potential demand for this type of facility by Cheakamus Crossing residents.
13. Is this type of application a potential problem for the community? If properly managed, not likely.
14. Parking must satisfy municipal zoning bylaw requirements for parking. It is noted that the peak demand for the lounge may be later than the operating hours of surrounding businesses.
15. No traffic impacts anticipated.

16. No policing impacts anticipated.

Applicants Colin Pyne and Don Gordon presented on their lounge proposal and provided the following:

- 17. The intent of the lounge endorsement is to continue to provide a great experience to guests and residents.
- 18. Applicants advised that parking plans are under review with RMOW Planning Department. There will be approximately 22 parking stalls available for the brewery, including the tasting area and lounge.

#### **Questions & Answers:**

Q: Operation of patio – what are the intended hours of operation?

A: Sunday – Wednesday noon – 8 p.m. and Thursday – Saturday 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. The patio will be used May – October and will be closed in winter. There are no plans to have outdoor patio heaters.

Support for the brewery lounge application was expressed by LLAC members; no concerns were identified.

Moved by Geoff Playfair  
Second by Cheryl Skribe

**That** the Liquor Licence Advisory Committee support a brewery lounge endorsement for the Whistler Brewery Company, with an interior occupant load of 67 persons and a patio occupant load of 18 persons.

CARRIED

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

2017 Licensee Education Program - Liquor Primary and Food Primary

Liquor Control and Licensing Branch (LCLB) Inspector, Holly Glenn advised of upcoming training sessions on recent liquor policy changes:

- Food and liquor primary licensees: June 28, 2:30-4:30 p.m. at the Whistler Public Library, Community Room
- Food and liquor primary licensees : June 29, 2:30-4:30 p.m. at the Whistler Public Library, Community Room

Follow the link for more information and schedule.

<http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/employment-business/business/liquor-regulation-licensing/health-safety-education/licensee-education-program>

The regularly scheduled LLAC meeting of June 8 is cancelled. The next LLAC meeting (if required) will be June 22, 2017

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Terry Clark

**That** Liquor Licence Advisory Committee adjourn the May 11, 2017 meeting at 9:27 a.m.

CARRIED

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CHAIR: Colin Hedderson

SECRETARY: Frank Savage

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