

BEER BOARD HEARING

October 19, 2020

A meeting of the Germantown Beer Board was held on Monday, October 19, 2020, at 3 p.m. via live streaming. Meeting electronically was necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mayor Mike Palazzolo was present and presiding.

The following Beer Board members were present: Scott Sanders, Mary Anne Gibson, Dean Massey, Forrest Owens and Rocky Janda. Staff present: Michele Betty, Tony Fischer, Patrick Lawton and Mac McCarroll.

Call To Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

Statement from Mayor Palazzolo

All local governing bodies in the State of Tennessee have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Germantown is no exception. In an effort to carry out its governance and operational responsibilities lawfully, and effectively, while also considering the protection of public health, safety and welfare, the Germantown City Administration has taken steps to conduct Board of Mayor and Aldermen and other public meetings electronically. These actions were taken in response to Governor Bill Lee's Executive Order No. 60, an order extending Executive Order No. 16, previously extended by Executive Order No. 34, previously extended by Executive Order No. 51, which suspended the requirements of the Tennessee Open Meetings Act to the extent necessary to allow governing bodies subject to the act to meet and conduct essential business by electronic means.

The Germantown Board of Mayor and Aldermen has determined that meeting electronically is necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of its citizens in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. Further, notice of such electronic meetings has been, and will continue to be, published in the same manner as is currently used for regular meetings. The public is also, and will continue to be, able to view the agenda and have live access to the actual meetings by electronic means, by logging in to Germantown's web site, and by clicking the appropriate link. Video recordings of the meetings will be made available as soon as practicable after each meeting on the City's website at www.germantown-tn.gov.

These measures are temporary, and are due to expire on October 28, 2020, unless further action is taken by Governor Lee.

Establishment of Necessity to Conduct the Beer Board Public Hearing Electronically

The new provisions of Executive Order No. 16 require that the members of the governing body must make a determination at the outset of the meeting, by vote or otherwise, that conducting the meeting by electronic means is necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of Tennesseans in light of the COVID-19 outbreak.

Motion by Ms. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Owens, to conduct the meeting by electronic means to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of Tennesseans in light of the COVID-19 outbreak.

Point of Inquiry by Mr. Massey: Why is the Board voting for this now? Mayor Palazzolo stated the Governor's Executive Order No. 16 requires a determination by the Board to hold the meeting electronically.

ROLL CALL: Sanders-yes, Gibson-yes, Massey-yes, Owens-yes, Janda-absent. Motion approved.

Set Agenda

The Board was asked to set the agenda for the meeting.

Motion by Mr. Sanders, seconded by Mr. Massey, to approve the October 19, 2020 agenda.

ROLL CALL: Sanders-yes, Gibson-yes, Massey-yes, Owens-yes, Janda-absent. Motion approved.

Alderman Janda joined the meeting.

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Public Hearing - Beer Permit – On-premise Application - Hilton Garden/Home 2 Suites

The City has received a request from Desai Hotel Group, LLC for a permit to sell beer for on-premise consumption at Hilton Garden Inn & Home 2 Suites, located at 6811 TraVure Drive South.

Mayor Palazzolo opened the floor for the public hearing. Having no one come forward, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Motion by Mr. Sanders, seconded by Mr. Janda, to approve the request of Desai Hotel Group, LLC for a permit to sell beer for on-premise consumption at Hilton Garden Inn & Home 2 Suites, located at 6811 TraVure Drive South.

ROLL CALL: Sanders-yes, Gibson-yes, Massey-yes, Owens-yes, Janda-yes. Motion approved.

Public Hearing – Temporary Beer Permit – On-premise Application – Heart & Soul Catering

The City has received a request from Heart & Soul Catering for a temporary permit to sell beer for on-premise consumption at the Republican Party Fundraiser, to be held on October 23, 2020, at the Great Hall & Conference Center, 1900 S. Germantown Road.

Mayor Palazzolo opened the floor for the public hearing. Having no one come forward, the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Motion by Ms. Gibson, seconded by Mr. Janda, to approve the request of Heart & Soul Catering for a temporary permit to sell beer for on-premise consumption at the Republican Party Fundraiser, to be held October 23, 2020, from 4:30 p.m. until midnight, at the Great Hall & Conference Center, 1900 S. Germantown Road.

ROLL CALL: Sanders-yes, Gibson-yes, Massey-no, Owens-yes, Janda-yes. Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned.

Mike Palazzolo, Mayor

Michele Betty, City Clerk/Recorder