



**Village of Algonquin  
Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting  
February 13, 2024  
Ganek Municipal Center  
2200 Harnish Dr. Algonquin, IL**

Trustee Brehmer, Chairperson, called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**AGENDA ITEM 1:** Roll Call to Establish a Quorum

Present: Trustees, Jerry Glogowski, Brian Dianis, Laura Brehmer, Maggie Auger, Bob Smith, and Clerk, Fred Martin.

Absent: Trustee John Spella and President Debby Sosine

A quorum was established

Staff in Attendance: Tim Schloneger, Village Manager; Dennis Walker, Police Chief; Patrick Knapp, Deputy Community Development Director; and Kelly Cahill, Village Attorney.

**AGENDA ITEM 2:** Public Comment

None

**AGENDA ITEM 3:** Community Development

None

**AGENDA ITEM 4:** General Administration

Mr. Schloneger:

**A. Consider Amending Chapter 33 Liquor Control and Liquor Licensing, of the Algonquin Municipal Code Reducing the Number of Liquor Licenses in Certain Classes**

In accordance with an ordinance passed in 2013 limiting the number of allowable liquor licenses in all classes to the number of licenses issued at that time, the attached proposed ordinance amending the number of available Class A and Class A-1 liquor licenses.

At the end of 2023, Vapari Inc. d/b/a Creekside Tap, 7 South Main Street, Algonquin closed their door permanently. This deduction in Class A licenses is to accommodate the closure, leaving 3 Class A.

Algonquin Commons, Inc. d/b/a Bulldog Pub and Ale House, 1520 South Randall Road, Algonquin has also closed their doors permanently. The deduction in Class A-1 licenses is to accommodate the closure, leaving 36 Class A-1.

Going through the liquor code and comparing it to what licenses we currently have, I would also recommend removing the 1 Class AB license leaving Zero availability. With these deductions, the Village will have no available licenses at this time.

It is the consensus of the Committee to move this on to the Village Board for approval.

**B. Consider Amending Chapter 43.39 Video Gaming Terminals and Appendix A, Definitions of the Algonquin Municipal Code**

The Village has been receiving numerous requests to implement Video Gaming type businesses within the Village. To ensure businesses are implementing Video Gaming to their Algonquin establishment as an enhancement to their current business, not as their primary business, staff is recommending adding language to the portion of the Municipal Code that covers Video Gaming requiring all establishments applying for video gaming must hold a valid Village of Algonquin liquor license not less than 1 calendar year prior to applying for a Video Gaming license. The only exception to this rule would be when a current establishment holds a gaming license and sells. The new owner would need to wait only 6 months prior to presenting an application for a video gaming license. Also, when it comes to Video Gaming Establishments, to clarify the meaning of "commercial kitchen", we recommend adding the following definition to the Algonquin Municipal Code:

*Commercial Kitchen – A kitchen designed for preparing food for sale to the public rather than food to be eaten by those who prepare it. A commercial kitchen shall include a multicompartiment sink, Type 1 hood, automatic fire suppression system, and commercial grade appliances such as a dishwasher, flat iron, oven, and fryer.*

After discussion it was decided to allow a business, that currently has gaming and is sold, to allow the new owner to have no waiting period to apply for gaming. It was the consensus of the Committee to move this item forward with the aforementioned change. .

**AGENDA ITEM 5:** Public Works & Safety

**A. Consider a Grievance Settlement Agreement with Metropolitan Alliance of Police, Algonquin Officers Chapter #78**

The proposed grievance Settlement Agreement (GSA) is pertaining to Grievance #CH78-2023-02 and the successful resolution and settlement of such.

In summary, the GSA resolves the matter of a disagreement between the VOA and Chapter 78 in regards to uniform purchases and reimbursement of certain items beyond the initial issue uniform list. Through this agreement, both parties agree to the list as documented within the GSA and the process for reimbursement as provided by the VOA.

It is the consensus of the Committee to move this on to the Village Board for approval.

**AGENDA ITEM 6:** Executive Session

None

**AGENDA ITEM 7:** Other Business

Chairperson Brehmer made mention of the Chamber Awards

**AGENDA ITEM 8:** Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairperson Brehmer adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Submitted:

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Fred Martin, Village Clerk