

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OPEN SESSION
ILLINOIS LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 13, 2020
JAMES R. THOMPSON CENTER
100 WEST RANDOLPH ST. ROOM 9-040
1:00 PM
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The regular meeting of the Illinois Liquor Control Commission was held at the James R. Thompson Center, Chicago, Illinois 60601 Room 9-040 pursuant to notice.

Call the Roll:

Cynthia Berg, Chairman
Donald O'Connell, Commissioner
Thomas Gibbons, Commissioner
Melody Spann Cooper, Commissioner
Julieta LaMalfa, Commissioner
Patricia Pulido Sanchez, Commissioner
Steven Powell, Commissioner

Also Present:

Chimaobi Enyia, Executive Director
Thomas Schlenhardt, Associate Director
Dusanka Marijan, Licensing Administrator
Pamela Paziotopoulos, Deputy General Counsel
Richard Haymaker, Attorney
Michelle Flagg, Industry Education Director
Dean Argiris, Administrative Assistant
Meagan Sharkey, Acting Commission Secretary

I. Approval of Minutes

- a. A motion was made by Commissioner Gibbons to approve the release of the minutes of the January 14, 2020 Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Spann Cooper. Commissioner Powell abstained from voting. The motion was unanimously approved.

II. Director's Report

- a. Director Enyia congratulated the Licensing Division on the record high of online renewals completed in December 2019.
- b. Director Enyia informed the Commission of the Administrative Services new hire, Barbara Carlisle. Barbara is located in the ILCC Springfield Office.

- c. Director Enyia informed the Commission of the new Lawyer brought on board, as well as two Field Agents.
- d. Director Enyia announced the Quantity Discounting Rule at JCAR, awaiting public comments.

III. Enforcement Division

- a. The ILCC completed 101 SAM compliance checks, 14 failed. Nine compliance checks were repeat violators, 2 violated again. This gives a repeat violator compliance rate of 78%.
- b. The Enforcement Division reported ongoing hiring for Underage Participants.
- c. The Enforcement Division is participating in meetings to foster relationships with other law enforcement agencies.

IV. Licensing Division

- a. The percentage of online renewals is 85%, a 2.3% decrease from January 2019.
- b. Mrs. Marijan also provided a report of all new licenses issued for January 2020.
- c. In January 2020, the ILCC issued 219 new licenses across all categories.

V. Industry Education

- a. The total number of BASSET applicants trained in January 2020 was 7,126.
- b. The total number of BASSET applicants in the look up is 293,488.
- c. The Industry Education Division attended IDOT, IL State Board of Education, and Secretary of State Campaigns.
- d. BASSET course was presenting in Libertyville.
- e. The ILCC Industry Education spoke at the IL Municipal Clerks Conference in Mt. Vernon.

VI. Legal Division

- a. A motion was made by Commissioner O'Connell to approve the Administrative Law Judge default recommendations. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Pulido Sanchez. The motion was unanimously approved.
- b. A motion was made by Commissioner O'Connell to approve the dismissal of Kenneth Allen v. Rock Island 19APP17. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Spann Cooper. The motion was unanimously approved.
- c. A motion was made by Commissioner O'Connell to deny the Petition for Rehearing of Edwardsville Petroleum, LLC. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Spann Cooper. The motion was unanimously approved.
- d. A motion was made by Commissioner O'Connell to reverse the decision of the local liquor commissioner denying the request to change the name on the license, remand the local liquor commission to hold a hearing on the underlying license application, and licensee shall remain open until such time as the local commission has issued or denied the application. The motion was seconded by Commission Spann Cooper. The motion was unanimously approved.
- e. A motion was made by Commissioner Powell to continue the discussion of Instant Redeemable Coupons to the March 11, 2020 Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gibbons. The motion was unanimously approved.

VII. Public Comment

VIII. Closing Remarks and Adjournment to Hearing

- a. Commissioner Spann Cooper made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Commissioner O'Connell. Motion unanimously approved.

ATTEST:

Meagan Sharkey, Acting Commission Secretary