



**Indian Woods Community Association
Special General Membership Meeting
Saturday – July 10, 2010 – 11:00 AM – Edgebrook Public Library**

I. President Walsh Called the Meeting to Order

II. Roll Call

Board Members

Present:

Donald W. Walsh
Michael C. Kendall
Joyce Hutchinson
Jonathan Sladek
Patrick J. McCann
Jim Oehler
Wayne Przyby
George Hagopian

III. Invited Guests:

- a. Larry Reskie from the Alderman's office
- b. Mr. Thomas Trier - tavern permit applicant

IV. Community Crime Issues:

- a. Recent crimes reported:
 - i. Two recent car break-ins on Indian Rd.
 - ii. Attempted home burglary on Rosedale near Linder.
- b. Any suspicious activity please call 911
- c. Home vandalized at Ardmore and Linder. Suspected group of teens - Police investigating the issue.
- d. Activity has occurred both at night and during the day. Keep your cars and homes locked, even at home or in the backyard.
- e. Tips:
 - i. don't give criminals any invitations
 - ii. close the garage doors
 - iii. keep doors locked
- f. Utility worker scams going around. If any worker shows up at your door uninvited, ask worker for badge and number to call and check on service worker. Don't let anyone in your house that is not invited or authorized. Scam artists will show up in official looking work vehicles.
- g. Don Walsh has met with Police officials and CAPS department officials about recent crime issues. Police resources are
- h. Ray Hilstrom: Reports on vandalism at his house. Mid teens kids (boys and girls) with alcohol.
- i. Larry Reskie 45th Ward: Be careful of the scam artists. Call Forest Preserve police for any issues in the woods. People are cutting through the woods to and from Forest Glen.

V. Public Community Hearing on Proposed Tavern at 5721 N Central Avenue:

- a. Residents near Central and Ardmore received postcards noting request for tavern permit. Concerned residents contacted president Walsh.
- b. Don reached out to Alderman's office who put the IWCA board in touch with tavern applicant Thomas Trier. Don and Patrick took a site visit of the building and business plan. Also visited Mr. Trier's other tavern at Central and Irving Park. President Walsh commented that the facility was clean and in good order.
- c. Patrick comments on visit to tavern. High end establishment with small storefront in the front with Tavern in the back. Clean and well kept.
- d. Michael Kendall concurs with Don and Patrick.
- e. Police department records indicate low occurrence of events in the previous 5 years of activity. Bar closed due to illegal gambling machine.
- f. Mr. Trier presents business plan:
 - i. Brother of previous owner - haven't spoken with him ,Dennis 'Dino' Trier, in 15 years.
 - ii. MCM pub and eatery (3906 N Cicero and Irving Pk Rd) is the other location. Restored old building. Establishment has full camera security.
 - iii. States that he has a clean business record for the last 30 years. 4010 Armitage and Pulaski establishment.
 - iv. Sponsor of local sports teams - 16th district police team.
 - v. Wants to clean up the place
 - vi. Hands on operator who will be watching the area closely. Security cameras.
 - vii. Package goods store: groceries, wine, lottery, ice cream, beer.
 - viii. Parking: Repair shop across the street has allowed parking.
 - ix. Hours: 11am to 12am or 2am.
 - x. Capacity: 75 persons.
 - xi. Kitchen: No plans right now, but maybe in the future.
 - xii. Smoking policy: City policy to be enforced.
 - xiii. Entrance: in the front only.
 - xiv. Intends to keep out the 'bad' or 'unruly' people.
 - xv. Andrikopoulos family residents adjacent to facility are concerned based on prior activity. Mr. Trier assures the group that he will run an orderly operation.
 - xvi. Alley cut through is causing a large problem with neighborhood. Many residents commented on this subject.
 - xvii. Mr. Trier is 'willing to work with the residents.'
 - xviii. Ray Hilstrom reports on activity during previous bar operations - trouble with rowdy activities outside of the establishment.
 - xix. Mr. Trier would consider shorter hours of operation.
 - xx. Renting from Milton 'Nick' Alkox for 8 months now, who owns all of the storefronts. 10 year lease pending liquor license.
 - xxi. Restaurant/Food license is difficult to obtain - due to health standard inspections. But tavern license is also difficult to obtain.
 - xxii. Alderman's office: Alderman wants to hear from community association, and will go with their decision. Suggests that Mr. Trier provide contact information for residents to contact in the future with concerns.
 - xxiii. Mr. Trier would support closing down the alley/shortcut to Colletis, but has no direct control over the subject. Community needs to discuss with Colletis and storefront ownership.
 - xxiv. Police officer who resides on Manton reports that the problem with the package goods is the section 8 housing residents purchasing goods late at night. Problem with cut through can only be resolved by closing alley to Colletis.
- g. City Council hearing on July 16th at 2pm. Alderman's office suggested this be postponed.

VI. IWCA Membership vote to approve or disapprove the proposed permit

- a. President Walsh to send results of resident poll to Alderman's Office.
 - i. Reading of letter to be sent to the Alderman.
- b. Results:
 - i. 10 voted to approve tavern establishment
 - ii. 15 voted to disapprove tavern establishment
- c. Residents living within the 250' zone have additional ability to discuss with Alderman.

VII. Next General Membership Meetings per By-Laws:

- a. September 21, 2010
- b. January 18, 2011

VIII. Adjourn 12:30 PM

Respectfully submitted:

(s) Secretary Jonathan Sladek

Jonathan Sladek – IWCA Secretary

SUBMITTED: July 10, 2010

BOARD

APPROVED: _____