

CITY OF MUNFORD BEER BOARD

MINUTES – August 24, 2020

City of Munford Beer Board – Special Called Meeting and Public Hearing – *Monday, August 24, 2020, 7*:00 p.m., Municipal Building, 70 College Street, Munford, Tennessee.

Present: Mayor Dwayne Cole; Aldermen Jack Bomar, Ray Deneka, Lonnie Glass, Glenn Turner and Bob Wilson.

Absent: Alderman Sue Arthur

Permit Holders Present:

MD Robiul Islam.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Cole called the Beer Board meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. He stated that the meeting had been properly advertised. The purpose of the meeting was to review of the Off-Premises Beer Permits for BD Food and Gas Mart and Bangali Enterprises in Munford who is currently in violation of those permits by selling beer to a minor:

II. REVIEW OF VIOLATION

Mayor Cole asked Chief Baskin to give an overview of Operation Broken Bottle that took place on July 31, 2020. Detective Bert Zickefoose led the operation. Captain Baskin summarized the events and findings of the operation. Seven stores selling beer off-premises in the city were visited, all refused the sale of an alcoholic beverage to a minor with the exception of BD Food & Gas Mart and Bangali Enterprises, both owned by MD Robiul Islam. At Bangali Enterprises Clerk Kevin Sigler was issued a citation to appear in the General Sessions Court of Tipton County. At BD Food and Gas Mart, Clerk Michael David Sellers was also issued a citation to appear in the General Sessions Court of Tipton County.

The owner, MD Robiul Islam, of both stores explained he does train his employees himself and covers the selling of beer to a minor. Mr. Islam could not provide proof he is currently in compliance with the Responsible Beer Vendor Program. He went onto explain the many problems he was having in retaining his employees for any length of time.

The board is authorized to revoke the permit, suspend the permit or impose a civil penalty not to exceed \$1,000 for "responsible vendors" and not in excess of \$2,500 for permit holders not in compliance with a responsible vendor status for each offense involving a sale of beer to a minor-Tenn. Code Ann57-5-108(a) (1)(A) and (B). Any fine imposed by this board is required to be paid within seven (7) days.

Alderman Turner made a motion to fine each establishment \$500, due within seven days, as well as require Mr. Islam and his staff to complete the Responsible Beer Vendor Program within thirty days. Motion was seconded by Alderman Bomar. Motion carried with all present voting aye.

There was no other business on the agenda. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Dwayne Cole, Mayor

Sherry Yelvington, City Recorder/Treasurer