

CITY OF MUNFORD BEER BOARD

MINUTES – October 25, 2021

City of Munford Beer Board – Special Called Meeting and Public Hearing – *Monday, October 25*, 2021, 7:00 p.m., Municipal Building, 70 College Street, Munford, Tennessee.

Present: Mayor Dwayne Cole; Aldermen Sue Arthur, Jack Bomar, Ray Deneka, Lonnie Glass, Deborah Reed and Glenn Turner.

Absent:

Permit Holders Present:

Rick Morris

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Cole called the Beer Board meeting to order at 7:04 pm. He stated that the meeting had been properly advertised. The purpose of the meeting was to review of the Off-Premises Beer Permits for Fastimes#5 in Munford who is currently in violation of this permit by selling beer to a minor:

II. REVIEW OF VIOLATION

Mayor Cole asked Chief Baskin to give an overview of Operation "Friday Night Lights" that took place on September 24, 2021. Detective Daniel Hamm led the operation. Captain Baskin summarized the events and findings of the operation. Five 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 Fastimes #5, owned by James Vandergrift and Richard Morris. At Fastimes # 5 Patience Danielle Glass was issued a citation to appear in the City Court of Tipton County.

The owner, Rick Morris, explained the extensive training each of his employees has regarding sale of alcohol and tobacco to minors prior to employment, the monthly training, and surprise "customers" they send to test the clerks sporadically. Fastimes does not participate in the Responsible Beer Vendor Program due to its high cost. He went onto explain the many problems he was having in retaining his employees for any length of time or even getting applicants to apply for the positions.

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 Deneka made a motion to fine the establishment \$500, due within seven days. Motion was seconded by Alderman Reed. Motion carried with all present voting aye.

There was no other business on the agenda. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Dwayne Cole, Mayor

Sherry Yelvington, City Recorder/Treasurer