## CUMRU TOWNSHIP BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TRANSFER OF LIQUOR LICENSE FEBRUARY 19, 2019

A public hearing of the Cumru Township Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Ruth O'Leary at 6:46 p.m. Other Commissioners in attendance were Sheri Hoover, William B Miller and David J. Batdorf. Vice President Edward L. Gottschall was absent with prior notification to the Board. Also attending were Solicitor Michael A. Setley, Superintendent of Public Works Robert McNichols, Jr., Assistant Superintendent of Public Works Michael L. Yost, Business Personnel/Administrator Peggy A. Carpenter, Manager Jeanne E. Johnston, and Secretary Latoya Procopio.

Pledge to the Flag.

Mr. Setley informed the public that the public hearing was being held about a request to relocate a liquor license from Jake's Place in Hamburg, Pa to Giant at 600 East Lancaster Avenue, Reading, Pa 19607.

## **PUBLIC**

Attendance: Robert Moyer of 61 Andrew Drive, Cathy Goss of St. Francis Home, James Williamson of 1461 Old Lancaster Pike, and Dennette Keller of 280 Pennwyn Place.

Mr. Setley invited public comment, but no one indicated a desire to speak. Mr. Setley asked if the Board of Commissioners had any comments, questions, or concerns. The Board did not have any questions at that point in time.

## PRESENTATION

Attorney Ellen Freeman representing Giant was present for discussion. Scott Schaffer, a Giant Compliance Officer was also present. Ms. Freeman stated Giant has been very successful with 92 other stores that sell beer and wine. They have had zero citations since the program's inception, 10 years ago. Ms. Freeman stated Giant has a 100% carding policy and all of the employees would be RAM certified. Beer will be available for purchase to go in the amount of 192 fl oz or 2 six packs. Wine will available to go in 3000 ml or 4 bottles at the time of purchase. There will be on premises consumption available with the purchase of a meal. There is a 2 beer limit for on premises consumption. Giant will be open for purchase of alcohol Monday to Saturday 7:00am to 10pm and Sunday from 9:00am to 10:00pm.

Ms. Freeman presented a floor plan to the Board of Commissioners. No new construction is planned for the existing store; Giant will be condensing the floral section of the store to accommodate the sale of beer and wine. Mr. Batdorf questioned if hard liquor will be available for purchase. Ms. Freeman stated the sale of distilled spirits will not be permitted.

Mr. Setley solicited questions from the public and the Board a second time. There were none.

ON MOTION OF MR. BATDORF, SECOND OF MR. MILLER, A UNANIMOUS VOTE TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF A RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE NO. R-16069 INTO CUMRU TOWNSHIP.

## CORRESPONDENCE

- A) Proof of publication for a public hearing re: transfer of liquor license.
- B) Request Letter by Giant Food Stores, LLC, dated 12/26/2018
- C) Draft resolution to transfer the restaurant liquor license no. R-16069

ADJOURNMENT ON MOTION MR. BATDORF, SECOND OF MR. MILLER, A UNANIMOUS VOTE TO ADJOURN THE HEARING AT 6:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Latoya Procopio Secretary