**VILLAGE OF HARRISTOWN SPECIAL MEETING**

**JUNE 21, 2022    5:30 PM**

**185 N KEMBARK, DECATUR, IL 62522**

**Meeting called to Order at 5:30 PM by Mayor Evelyn Deverell.**

**Present: Trustees Teresa Acree, Larry Ditty, Les Jenkins, Kourt Mooney, Jay Trusner and Kevin Vessels; Mayor Evelyn Deverell.**

**Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Visitors were invited to speak. These included Steve Shepherd (5110 W Main); Ed German (255 N Twin Lakes); Doris Mabry (not a resident); Larry Nave (206 S Anchor); Dan Sigmon (4820 W Main); Pam Shepherd (5110 W Main) and Brian Keller (102 S Meridian).**

**Mayor Deverell introduced Mike Sorrentino, Chairman of the Zoning and Planning Commission. Four other members of this Commission were also present. Mr. Sorrentino reported on the Variance Hearing held June 16, 2022 at the property at Western and Harristown Boulevard. This Hearing was for a variance of the distance a Craft Growery can be from residential property in the Village. Mr. Sorrentino reported that 500 feet was the original intention of the Village in the Cannabis Ordinance 22-03. The recommendation of this Commissision is to allow a variance of 500 feet. The vote of this Commission was 5 in favor, 0 opposed.**

**Mayor Deverell asked if the Board of Trustees had any questions. As there were none, a call for a motion was made. Trustee Jenkins moved, Trustee Mooney seconded, to approve this variance. A voice vote was taken: Trustee Acree-Yes; Trustee Ditty-No; Trustee Jenkins-Yes; Trustee Mooney-Yes; Trustee Trusner-Yes; Trustee Vessels-Yes. The motion passed by a vote of 5 in favor, 1 opposed.**

**Liquor License Applictions were disussed. The first was for West End Liquor (to be located at 4390 W Main). The Manager of the store, Amy addressed the Board with some concerns about hours of operation. Mayor Deverell stated that the Village follows the Ordinances and currently a drive-up window can operate until 2 AM. Trustee Mooney asked about the Village Liquor Commissioner and their authority to address problems. Mayor Deverell is the Liquor Commissioner and has authority to oversee liquor licensees. The Mayor also asked the Manage about security measures for this new store. Many cameras will be in place, both for inside the store and at the drive-thru. The video feed is monitored by West Main’s home office and the Macon County Sheriff’s Department is notified of any illegal activities.**

**A call for a motion was made by the Mayor. Trustee Vessels moved, Trustee Jenkins seconded, to approve this Liquor License (a Class B). A voice vote was taken: Trustee Acree-No; Trustee Ditty-Yes; Trustee Jenkins-Yes; Trustee Mooney-Yes; Trustee Trusner-No; Trustee Vessels-Yes. The motion passed by a vote of 4 in favor and 2 opposed.**

**A Liquor License for Billingsley Enterprises was discussed. This discussion centered on which Class License is needed. After much discussion, the Board of Trustees feels a Class E License will cover all operations this Business will conduct.**

**The last item to be discussed was the vacancy in the Village Office. Mayor Deverell supplied a sample classified ad to be placed for this clerical position. Trustee Trusner moved, Trustee Mooney seconded, to approve this ad with one minor correction. The vote was 6 to 0 in favor. This ad will be placed in the Herald & Review and Sentinel newspapers as soon as possible. Interviews will then be scheduled.**

**Trustee Acree moved, Trustee Vessels seconded, to adjourn. The vote was 6 to 0 in favor. Mayor Deverell adjourned the meeting at 6:15 PM.**