

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT AND
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF ARLINGTON HEIGHTS
33 S. ARLINGTON HEIGHTS ROAD - COMMUNITY ROOM
January 7, 2019 – 7:45 PM**

President Hayes called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Hayes; Trustees Baldino, Blackwood, LaBedz,
Rosenberg, Scaletta, Sidor, Tinaglia

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Village Manager Randy Recklaus; Assistant Village Manager,
Diana Mikula

OTHERS PRESENT: Grace Baldino, George Theodossopoulos and
John Sellis

A. Interview of Grace Baldino for appointment to the Youth Commission – term ending 4/30/2019

Trustee Baldino recused himself, as he knows the candidate. Mayor Hayes introduced Grace Baldino and highlighted her background. Trustee Scaletta and Trustee Tinaglia asked Grace about her experience on the school paper and as a youth representative with her church. Trustee Sidor asked Grace if there is one issue that she sees youth struggling with. Grace mentioned vaping as something she sees as an issue for teens.

Trustee Scaletta moved to concur in the Mayor’s appointment of Grace Baldino to the Youth Commission with term ending 4/30/19. Trustee Sidor seconded the motion.

THE FOLLOWING VOICE VOTE WAS RECORDED:

7 AYES

0 NAYS

1 RECUSED

The motion passed.

B. Consideration of recommending to the Liquor Commissioner the issuance of a Class “AA” liquor license to Timios Enterprises Corp. dba Palm Court Restaurant and Banquets, located at 1912 N Arlington Heights Road, upon surrender of the current liquor license issued to this address.

The Mayor called George Theodossopoulos forward and swore him in. Mr. Theodossopoulos introduced himself as the President of Timios Enterprises Corp. and current owner of Palm Court Restaurant.

Diana Mikula presented the staff report on Timios Enterprises Corp. Ms. Mikula stated this is an ownership change. Mr. Theodossopoulos does have 100% ownership interest in the

restaurant as well as the property. They are seeking the same liquor license as the previous license for this location. The hours are well within the hours for a Class AA license with Saturday night closing at midnight being the latest. This address does have three liquor violations however; Mr. Theodossopoulos does not have any violations and he is Bassett Certified. Ms. Mikula stated that she did a walk through and the floor plan is consistent with the submitted floorplan. Ms. Mikula state that upon a satisfactory liquor interview, it would be appropriate to issue a class "AA" liquor license to Timios Enterprises Corp. dba Palm court Restaurant and Banquets upon surrender of the current license issued to this location.

Mayor Hayes interviewed Mr. Theodossopoulos. The Mayor asked if he will be on site or splitting his time between other locations. Mr. Theodossopoulos stated he would be on site and have three other managers as well. Mayor Hayes asked if he plans to keep the current business model. He believes that the restaurant is an institution and has served the community well. Mr. Theodossopoulos said there would not be any major changes in the business plan. The Mayor then asked him to explain his plan to prevent the sale of liquor to minors. Mr. Theodossopoulos stated that they would card everyone under the age of 40 years, they will continue with training and new staff will have to be Bassett certified.

Trustee Scaletta asked about where the prior liquor violations had occurred at Palm Court. Former owner, John Sellis said that he knew one of the violations took place at the bar. Trustee Tinaglia asked Mr. Theodossopoulos if he was familiar with the process of spotters coming in to test for underage liquor sales. Mr. Theodossopoulos said he is familiar with the process and takes it very seriously and will continue to be sure that staff is continuously trained.

Trustee Scaletta moved, seconded by Trustee Baldino to recommend that the Village Board of Trustees recommend to the Liquor Commissioner the issuance of a Class "AA" liquor license to Timios Enterprises Corp., dba Palm Court Restaurant and Banquets located at 1912 N. Arlington Heights Road, upon surrender of the current liquor license issued to this address.

THE FOLLOWING VOICE VOTE WAS RECORDED:

8 AYES

0 NAYS

The motion passed.

C. OTHER BUSINESS – There was no further business.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Scaletta moved, and Trustee Sidor seconded the motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.