# ERIE LIQUOR LICENSE AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES June 18, 2021 1:00 P.M.

# Municipal Court Building 1000 Tellen Ave, Erie, CO 80516

### I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Municipal Judge Teresa Ablao called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 18, Minutes 2021
Judge Ablao approved the minutes.

### III. PUBLIC HEARINGS

 a. Application for Special Event Permit for Firecracker Run Erie Rotary Charity Fund, Inc.
 PO BOX 482
 Erie, CO 80516

Action: Judge Ablao opened the Public Hearing at 1:02 p.m. on the application submitted by Robert Freeston, Treasurer for Erie Rotary Charity Fund. Also presented at the hearing were representatives from Firecracker Run: B. Hensen and David Janowiec. Attorney Kristin Brown represented the Town of Erie. Judge Ablao asked about the relationship between Rotary Fund and Firecracker Run. The event is a family oriented 4K run and has been successfully happening for the past 8 years. Rotary Fund benefits from the sales of the liquor. There will be food available to purchase and members of the Rotary Fund will serve alcohol and have server training. Contacts for this event are Sam Lyons and David Janowiec. The fencing for the area will be a 4x10 pedestrian rail.

No one from the public was there to speak for or against the application.

**Action:** Judge Ablao, the licensee meets the reasonable requirements of the Town and the requirements of State law, and based upon these findings, Judge Ablao approved the special event permit for Erie Rotary Charity Fund, Inc. This hearing closed at 1:10 p.m.

## b. Briggs Entertainment Association

PO BOX 1111

Erie, CO 80516

Modification of Premises – Entertainment District License for the following area: Addition of 555 Briggs Lot

Farmer's Market

Lot between Old Mine and The Miner's Tayern

Action: Judge Ablao opened the Public Hearing at 1:11 p.m. on the application submitted by Katy Dukes on behalf of Briggs Entertainment Association. Attorney Kristin Brown represented the Town of Erie. Katy described the lot between Old Mine and The Miner's Tavern as Rockton Software, business owned by Mark Rockwell. Katy withdrew the request to add the lot to Briggs Entertainment Association because Rockton Software does not hold a liquor license.

Katy also withdrew the 555 Briggs lot addition to the Briggs Entertainment Association because there was no proof provided for the needs and desires of the neighborhood.

Katy requested to add the Farmer's Market area to Briggs Entertainment Association by reading the letter from the Association. Kristin Brown spoke regarding the history of why Farmer's Market wasn't added to the Association due to COVID restrictions. Ms. Brown requested to add more security in and around the area due to the increase in public attendance. She further pointed out that it is the responsibility of the Association to monitor intoxicated people and the removal of trash.

Scott Skiba, owner of Birdhouse, spoke regarding improving communication between the members of Briggs Entertainment Association. He was unaware of the addition of the 555 Briggs lot and Rockton Software until today, day of the hearing.

Bianca Retzloff, owner of the 24 Carrot, spoke regarding her involvement with the Association since 2017, how the Farmer's Market was smaller and now with increased population, the process and communication should be improved.

Ms. Brown spoke regarding Annual Report and beginning next year, it should include what worked and what didn't work during the season.

No one from the public was there to speak for or against the application.

**Action**: Judge Ablao, the licensee meets the reasonable requirements of the Town and the requirements of State law, and based upon these findings, Judge Ablao approved serving alcohol inside the addition of the Farmer's Market to Briggs Entertainment Association only. This hearing closed at 1:10 p.m.

### IV. ADJOURNMENT

**ACTION**: With no other matters to address, Judge Ablao closed the Public Hearing and adjourned the June 18, 2021 meeting of the Erie Liquor Licensing Authority at 1:37 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Municipal Judge Teresa Ablao, Erie Liquor Licensing Authority

Attest:

Heidi J Leatherwood, Secretary to the Authority