



## AGENDA

### VILLAGE OF CLARENDON HILLS LOCAL LIQUOR COMMISSION MEETING

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2021 at 6:00 PM**  
**VILLAGE HALL, 1 N. PROSPECT AVENUE**

**NOTICE:** Public comments and any responses that one would like read into the public meeting record be submitted by completing the Public Meeting Comment Form prior to 5 PM the day of the meeting. The form is located on our website at [www.clarendonhills.us/PublicComment](http://www.clarendonhills.us/PublicComment)

Residents may listen to the meeting by participating in a telephone conference call as follows:

Microsoft Teams meeting  
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[+1 630-884-8086,,121821276#](tel:+16308848086121821276)  
Phone Conference ID: 121 821 276#

*In light of Public Act 101-0640, which created new Section 7(e) of the Open Meetings Act, and as a Disaster Declaration has been issued by the Governor of the State of Illinois relative to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Village President has determined that an in-person meeting of the Village Board, or a meeting conducted under the Open Meetings Act requirements, relative to a quorum of the members of the Village Board having to be physically present at a meeting when some members of the Village Board are participating remotely, is not practical or prudent because of the disaster. In this regard, members of the Village Board may be participating in the meeting through a virtual meeting platform.*

#### Call to Order

1. Roll Call
2. Public Comment
3. Approval of the Local Liquor Commission Meeting Minutes of November 16, 2020
4. 1 Walker Avenue, LLC (1 Walker) request for Liquor License
5. Other Business
6. Adjournment



**MINUTES OF A  
LOCAL LIQUOR COMMISSION MEETING**

**Village of Clarendon Hills  
One North Prospect Avenue, Clarendon Hills, Illinois**

**November 16, 2020**

Local Liquor Commissioner/Village President Austin called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

**1. ROLL CALL**

Present at Roll Call: Local Liquor Commissioner/Village President Austin

Present at Roll Call (Electronically): Committee Chair/Trustee Hall and Members/Trustees Jordan and Jorissen

Also Present: Village Manager Barr

Also Present (Electronically): Assistant to the Village Manager Creer, Community Development Director Ungerleider, Police Chief Dalen, and Clerk Tandle

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Trustee Jordan moved to approve the Local Liquor Commission Minutes of January 21, 2020 (Tierra Distilling). Trustee Jorissen seconded.

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Hall and Jordan

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

**3. LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION FOR J.K. WALKERS, LLC, 1 WALKER AVENUE**

On October 2, 2020, Rajeev (“Raj”) Bhorade, petitioner and manager of J.K. Walkers, LLC, submitted a liquor license application requesting Class C and Class H liquor licenses for Walker’s restaurant and bar located at 1 Walker Avenue. Mr. Bhorade indicated that he recently purchased the building. He will continue to lease the upper levels of the building and plans to open a family-friendly restaurant/sports bar specializing in American fare.

Police Chief Dalen stated that a reference check, a fingerprint check with the Illinois State Police and a background check with the Federal Bureau of Investigation were conducted and that no criminal history was found. Mr. Bhorade has a background in restaurant ownership and management and has completed all of the steps necessary to operate Walker’s restaurant. J.K. Walkers, LLC is an active LLC with the Secretary of State and is in good standing. Mr. Bhorade had been provided a copy of the Clarendon Hills Liquor Ordinance and was advised that all management and servers must be BASSET trained. Chief Dalen did not find anything that would prohibit Mr. Bhorade from being granted Class C and Class H liquor licenses on behalf of J.K. Walkers, LLC.

Trustee Jordan moved to recommend to the Village Board that Chapter 33 of the Village Code be amended to increase the number of Class C and Class H liquor licenses for J.K. Walkers, LLC with an annual liquor license fee of \$2,500. Trustee Jorissen seconded.

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Hall, Jordan and Jorissen

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

#### 4. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Local Liquor Commission, Trustee Jordan moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m. Trustee Jorissen seconded.

On the call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Trustees Hall, Jordan and Jorissen

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

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Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF CLARENDON HILLS  
POLICE DEPARTMENT



DATE: October 12, 2021  
To: Village Manager Kevin Barr  
From: Chief Paul Dalen  
Subject: Liquor License Application – 1 Walker Avenue, LLC.

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On September 3, 2021, Niki Kounelis, petitioner and manager of 1 Walker Avenue, LLC., completed a liquor license application requesting a Class C and Class H – liquor license for 1 Walker Avenue, LLC., located at 1 Walker Ave. within the Village of Clarendon Hills. This license allows for the sale or offer for sale of alcoholic liquor for consumption on the premises of a retail establishment engaging primarily in the sale of meals for consumption on the premises as well as an outdoor service area. The petitioner is aware that a certificate of general liability and dram shop insurance will need to be provided prior to a liquor license being issued.

Detective Michalek conducted a thorough background investigation on the petitioner / applicant, Niki Kounelis. The investigation included a reference check, fingerprint check with the Illinois State Police and Federal Bureau of Investigation, LexisNexis criminal history and adverse financial search, DuPage County court history search, driving history search, Google Search, Chicago PD search, pawn shop database search and social media / LinkedIn search.

The following information was confirmed about the petitioner / applicant:

- Niki Kounelis currently manages Jameson’s Pub in Frankfort, IL. No liquor license suspensions or revocations were found.
- 1 Walker Avenue, LLC., is an active LLC with the Secretary of State.
- Niki Kounelis has read and understands the Clarendon Hills Liquor Ordinance and advised that all employees will be “BASSET” trained.

In conclusion, I did not find anything that would prohibit the applicant from receiving a Class C and Class H liquor license for 1 Walker Avenue, LLC.