

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION
VILLAGE OF WHEELING
BOARD ROOM - 2 COMMUNITY BOULEVARD
COOK AND LAKE COUNTIES, WHEELING, IL
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2026**

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Horcher called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Presentation of flags by the Wheeling Honor Guard.

3. Roll Call

Clerk Brady called the roll.

Present: Pat Horcher, Mary Krueger, Mary Papantos, Ray Lang, Dave Vogel, Joe Vito, Jim Ruffatto

Absent:

4. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes of a Special Meeting of December 15, 2025

Chairperson Horcher asked for a motion to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion by Dave Vogel, seconded by Mary Papantos.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

Yes: Pat Horcher, Mary Krueger, Mary Papantos, Ray Lang, Dave Vogel, Joe Vito, Jim Ruffatto

No: None

B. Approval of Minutes of a Special Meeting of January 5, 2026

Chairperson Horcher asked for a motion to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion by Mary Papantos, seconded by Mary Krueger.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

Yes: Pat Horcher, Mary Krueger, Mary Papantos, Ray Lang, Dave Vogel, Joe Vito, Jim Ruffatto

No: None

5. Citizen Concerns & Comments

Municipal Code 2.03.060(b) Subjects of Orders of Business. Citizen Concerns and Comments. Members of the public may address the committee with comments regarding only those items that are relevant to village business. Issues relevant to Village business are defined to mean information about Village events; issues that the public body has the authority to address; items listed on the agenda; and items or issues previously voted on by the Village Board or that the Village Board has the authority to consider or vote on in the future. No citizen shall speak for more than five minutes without consent of the committee. The village president shall strictly restrain comments and questions to matters that are relevant to village business and shall not permit repetitious comments or arguments. Members of the general public who wish to address the board must sign the request to speak form prior to the commencement of the public meeting.

None

6. New Business

All Listed Items for Discussion and Possible Action

A. Consideration of a Request for a Class I Liquor License from Saint Joseph the Worker Parish for an Event to Be Held on February 20 and 27 and March 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2026

Clerk Brady read the title into the record. Village Manager Jon Sfondilis introduced the item and noted that there are no

conditions for approval. Henry Hackney, Jr., from St. Joseph the Worker Parish, was present and answered a question from the Commission.

Chairperson Horcher asked for a motion to approve.

Motion by Jim Ruffatto, seconded by Ray Lang.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

Yes: Pat Horcher, Mary Krueger, Mary Papantos, Ray Lang, Dave Vogel, Joe Vito, Jim Ruffatto

No: None

7. **Old Business**

None

8. **Executive Session**

None

9. **Action on Executive Session Items**

None

10. **Adjournment**

Chairperson Horcher asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion by Mary Krueger, seconded by Jim Ruffatto.

Final Resolution: Motion carried by voice vote, all ayes. The meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Yes: Pat Horcher, Mary Krueger, Mary Papantos, Ray Lang, Dave Vogel, Joe Vito, Jim Ruffatto

No: None

Kathryn M. Brady, Village Clerk

Approved this 3rd day of March 2026, by the Chairperson and Commissioners.