IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

Order No:

In the Matter of Scheduling a Hearing on the Appeal of the Sheriff's Recommendation on the Liquor License Application of Lona and Mike Owens (Dexter Lake Café)

WHEREAS, the Sheriff of Lane County recommended disapproval of the liquor license application of Lona and Mike Owens for the Dexter Lake Café;

WHEREAS, LM 16.120(5) permits a person aggrieved by the Sheriff's recommendation, within 10 days of the date of the Sheriff's recommendation, to request a hearing to appeal the Sheriff's recommendation;

WHEREAS, Lona and Mike Owens made a timely request for hearing; and

WHEREAS, LM 16.120(5) provides for a hearing before the Board or its designee,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a hearing on the Owens' appeal is set for 10 a.m. on October _____, 2004 at 125 E. 8th Avenue, Eugene, Oregon;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT Jeff Towery shall hear and decide the appeal as the Board's designee, with authority to act on behalf of Lane County. Based on criteria made applicable by statutes and OLCC rules, the designee may recommend to OLCC either approval or denial of the license application; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT the Board's designee or the County Administrator shall cause not less than 10 days' notice of the hearing to be sent by mail to Lona and Mike Owens, with a brief statement of the grounds alleged as the basis for the Sheriff's refusal to recommend issuance of the license.

Dated this	day of October 2004.
	Bobby Green, Sr., Chair Lane County Board of Commissioners

Fax Cover Sheet

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Send to:	From:
Lane County Commissioners	Lona & Mike Owens
Attention: Bobby Greene	Date: 10-07-04
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Comments:

Re: Liquor License Denial / Appeal

Dexter Lake Café PO Box 246 Dexter, OR 97431 541-937-2244

10-7-04

To: Lane County Commissioners

Re: Liquor License Denial by Dennis Ewing - Special Operations

Dear Lane County Commissioners:

This is my written request to you for a hearing.

Per OLCC any past convictions I have are too old to have influence on my application for a Liquor License. Pauline Loreke has told us that she has approved our application. She spent some time at our café getting to know and understand our goals and us.

Our plan for this license is to serve fine beers and wine to our dinner guests on Friday and Saturday evenings from 5-8pm. We will have very strict policies on the amount customers will be served. And no one will drink without eating dinner. We have no intention of opening any kind of bar or tavern at any time.

I have been a model citizen here in Dexter for nearly 17 years. I spent 10 years founding and building the Dexter Library. I was on the Fire Dept. for 6 years, and left a Captain. I have volunteered for Oregon State Parks for 5 years organizing the July 4th Fundraising Event.

After this many years of serving this community, I do not believe my distant past should have any influence on the Sheriff's decision.

According to Lane County Manual 16.210 (sub. a) the Sheriff MAY deny an applicant. It does not say he SHALL deny.

Michael B. Owens Dexter Lake Cafe

cc: Pauline Loreke OLCC October 1, 2004



Ms. Lona E. Owens Mr. Michael Owens 39128 Dexter Rd. Dexter, Oregon 97431

Re: Liquor License Application

Dear Ms. and Mr. Owens:

I am in receipt of your Oregon Liquor License Application dated 8-28-04 and noted received by the OLCC on 9-24-04

A standard background check of Mr. Owens indicates a history of alcohol involvement and a felony conviction. Per Lane Manual 16.120 sub (4), I am unable to recommend approval based on "A felony conviction of the applicant, or any officer or director of the applicant" [sub (a)] and "...involvement by the applicant, or any officer or director of the applicant, in incidents involving drugs or alcohol" [sub (d)]. Per the aforementioned references, my recommendation to the OLCC will be "Denied".

Please understand you may make a written request to the Board of County Commissioners, within 10 days of the above date, for a hearing before the Board or a designee to be held in accordance with Lane Manual 16.120, sub (5). The request for hearing shall state the reasons why you believe the Sheriff's recommendation is erroneous.

Should you require additional information regarding this recommendation, please feel free to contact me by mail or call (541) 682-4141.

Sincerely,

Jan Clements, Sheriff

By: Dennis Ewing, Lieutenant, Special Operations

Police Services Division

Dennie Towns

cc: OLCC