

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

July 27, 2015

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jane Ellett
Tommy Goleman
Sandra Henderson
Howard Hobson

ABSENT: Marion “Bee” Meadows

OTHERS PRESENT: Bruce Fleming, Zoning Director
Brenda Fletcher
John Ellett
Heath Lord
Jennifer Lord

The Monday, July 27, 2015, Board of Adjustments Meeting was called to order by Jane Ellett. The Board approved the minutes of June 22, 2015, Board of Adjustments meeting.

The application for review was:

APPLICATION NO: PASE – 15-15000003
APPLICANT: OUACHITA BREWING COMPANY
ADDRESS: 95 McClendon Ave.
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: LOT IN SQ 1 A & E 1ST SOUTHERN ADDN BEG 125 FT W OF FRONT ST & FRTG 60 FT ON SO SIDE RAILROAD AVE, DEPTH 150 FT.
REQUEST: Planning Approval/Special Exception to allow beverage manufacture (alcoholic) in a B-3 (General Business) District for Ouachita Brewing Company at 95 McClendon Ave.

Jane Ellett asked Heath Lord to come to the podium and state his name. Howard Hobson wanted to know if this was a new company. Heath Lord told the Board that it was a new company and it was called Ouachita Brewing Company. Howard Hobson then asked if it was an LLC to which Heath Lord told the Board that it was. Jane Ellett asked Heath Lord if he was going to make and distribute from this location. Heath Lord told the Board that he was going to manufacture and partner with a distribution company, one of the (3) three in Monroe and then they would distribute on the companies behalf. Jane Ellett asked what the title of the brew would be. Heath Lord told the Board that he had several beers and one they will start out with is called LouisiAmber. Jane Ellett asked about employee’s to which Heath Lord told the Board that at this time it would be one but hoped at a later date to employee up to (5) five. Sandra Henderson then wanted to know about the manufacture if there would be any smells or explosives. Heath Lord told the Board that mainly the beer consisted of water, yeast, grain and hops. Heath Lord told the Board that yeast was the only smell and that it would not be noticeable outside. Heath Lord also told the board that this beer was his recipe. Tommy Goleman asked was it only on tap and not in the bottle or cans. Heath Lord told the Board for now it is only on tap but in the future he hoped to bottle this product. Jane Ellett then asked would he be moving elsewhere. Heath Lord told the Board eventually they would need more space and hoped that they could work something out with the landlord (Tommy Block). At this time Tommy Goleman made the motion to **Approve the request** pending the outcome of the Ordinance Amendment of Sec 12:5016 (3) to be heard by the City Council on August 11, 2015. Sandra Henderson seconded. All in favor, motion approved.

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned.