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For a leading case on a municipality's authority to regulate beer, see the Tennessee Supreme Court decision in <u>Watkins v. Naifeh</u>, 635 S.W.2d 104 (1982).

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- 8-101. Beer business lawful. It shall hereafter be lawful to transport, store, sell, distribute, possess, receive or manufacture beer of alcoholic content as is allowed by the statutory laws of the State of Tennessee, or any other beverages of like alcoholic content, within the corporate limits of the City of Minor Hill, subject to all of the regulations, limitations, and restrictions hereinafter provided, and subject to the rules and regulations promulgated by authorized public officials or board. (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993)
- **8-102.** Beer board established. There is hereby established a beer board to be composed of the board of mayor and aldermen of the City of Minor Hill, and these shall constitute the governing body of the beer board. A chairperson shall be elected annually by the board from among its members. All members of the board shall serve without compensation. (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993, as replaced by Ord. #8-102-103, Aug. 2011)
- 8-103. <u>Meetings of the beer board</u>. All meetings of the beer board shall be open to the public. The board shall hold regular meetings following each regular meeting of the city council at the city hall whenever there is business to come before the beer board. A special meeting of the beer board may be called by its chairperson provided he or she gives a reasonable notice thereof and the board may adjourn a meeting at any time to another time and place. (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993, as replaced by Ord. #8-102-103, Aug. 2011)
- 8-104. Record of beer board proceedings to be kept. The city clerk shall make a record of the proceedings of all meetings of the beer board. The record shall be a public record and shall contain at least the following: The date of each meeting; the names of the board members present and absent; the names of the members introducing and seconding motions and resolutions, etc., before the board; a copy of each such motion or resolution presented; the vote of each member thereon; and the provisions of each beer permit issued by the board. The city clerk shall also maintain an up-to-date list of all beer permit holders. (Ord. #____, Oct. 1993)
- 8-105. Requirements for beer board quorum and action. The attendance of at least a majority of the members of the beer board shall be

required to constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business. Matters before the board shall be decided by a majority of the members present if a quorum is constituted. Any member present but not voting shall be deemed to have cast a "nay" vote. (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993)

- **8-106.** Powers and duties of the beer board. The beer board shall have the power and it is hereby directed to regulate the selling, storing for sale, distributing for sale, and manufacturing of beer within the municipality in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993)
- 8-107. "Beer" defined. The term "beer" as used in this chapter shall mean and include all beers, ales, and other malt liquors having an alcoholic content of not more than five percent (5%) by weight. (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993)
- 8-108. Permit required for engaging in beer business. No person shall engage in the storing, selling, distributing or manufacturing of beer of alcoholic content of not more than five per cent (5%) by weight, or other beverages of like alcoholic content within the corporate limits of the City of Minor Hill, until he shall receive a permit to do so from the Beer Board of the City of Minor Hill, which permit shall at all times be subject to all the limitations and restrictions herein provided. The application shall be made on such form as the board shall prescribe and/or furnish, and pursuant to T.C.A. § 57-5-101(b), and shall be accompanied by a non-refundable application fee of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00). Said fee shall be in the form of a cashier's check payable to the City of Minor Hill. Each applicant must be a person of good moral character and certify that he has read and is familiar with the provisions of this chapter. (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993)
- **8-109.** Restrictions upon granting permits. No permit shall be issued to sell any beverage coming within the provisions of this section:
 - (1) In violation of any provisions of the state law.
- (2) In violation of any rules or regulations adopted or promulgated by agencies thereof including, but not limited to, the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission.
- (3) In violation of any applicable ordinance of the City of Minor Hill including, but not limited to, the zoning ordinances. The judgment of the beer board on such matters shall be final, except as same is subject to review at law under the <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>. (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993)

8-110. Application for retail permit; requirements as to applicants; regulations to be followed and shown in the application.

- (1) That the applicant is a citizen of the United States, or if a syndicate or association, that all the members thereof are citizens of the United States.
- (2) Applicant will immediately report to the board in writing any material or substantial changes with respect to information furnished on the application. Willful failure to report such changes shall constitute a violation and shall be grounds for action by the board under § 8-124.
- (3) The location of the premises at which the business is to be operated and the said place of business is not within 400 feet for packaged beer and 2,000 feet for taverns of any school, church or other place of public gathering nor will said location cause congestion of traffic.
 - (4) The owner or owners of such premises.
- (5) The names and addresses of all other persons or firms who have any financial interests whatsoever in the beer business proposed to be established.
- (6) That applicant will operate the business in person or by agent, but that applicant will devote a minimum average of 40 hours per week on the premises to the supervision and operation of said proposed business.
- (7) That no person will be employed in the storage, sale or manufacture of such beverages except those who are citizens of the United States.
- (8) That the applicant will not engage in the sale of such beverages except at the place or places for which the beer board has issued permit or permits, to such applicant.
- (9) That no sale of such beverages will be made except in accordance with the permit granted.
- (10) That if the application is for a permit to sell, not for consumption on the premises, that no sale will be made for consumption on the premises; that no consumption will be allowed on the premises thereof.
- (11) That no sale will be made to minors, and that the applicant will not permit minors or disorderly or disreputable persons to loiter around the place of business.
- (12) The applicant will be responsible for any gambling on his premises and his permit subject to revocation by reason of the same.
- (13) The applicant will not allow any liquor with alcoholic content greater than five percent (5%) to be consumed on his premises.
- (14) That the applicant must secure a certificate or a statement from the health department or health officer that the premises which the application covers meet the requirements of this title.
- (15) The application shall be submitted to the city clerk at least fifteen (15) days prior to the beer board meeting at which it is to be considered. The city clerk shall, within five (5) days after receipt of an application, notify each member of the beer board of such an application.

- (16) The application must be accompanied by a certificate, signed by the mayor or city clerk, attesting to the good moral character of the applicant or any agent operator.
- (17) No permit shall be issued by the beer board until the application therefor shall have been subscribed to and approved in writing by the city attorney. However, the city attorney is only authorized to disapprove applicants when there is a failure to comply with a city ordinance or state law governing the issuance of permits.
- (18) If applicant is no longer actively engaged in the business for which the permit is issued, applicant agrees to surrender the permit to the board or to the city clerk immediately; applicant understands and acknowledges that his/her failure to do so will subject him/her to liability for a penalty of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per day for each day the business is operated under his/her license after he/she is no longer actively engaged in the business. A permit holder not devoting a minimum average of forty (40) hours per week on the premises supervising the operation of the business shall be deemed by the board to be no longer actively engaged in the business.
- (19) All tavern or beer establishments shall have a working phone installed in the place of business. (Cell phones are not acceptable.) (Ord. #____, Oct. 1993, as amended by Ord. #____, June 1999, and Ord. #____, April 2002)
- 8-111. Beer permits shall be restrictive. All beer permits shall be restrictive as to the type of beer business authorized under them. Beer permits for the retail sale of beer may be further restricted by the beer board so as to authorize sales only for off premise consumption. It shall be unlawful for any beer permit holder to engage in any type or phase of the beer business not expressly authorized by his permit. No one individual may hold more than one type of license at any time. A single permit may be issued for on premises and off premises consumption. (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993)
- 8-112. <u>Permits not transferable; limitation of permits at one location</u>. Beer permits are not transferable, saleable or assignable from one person or entity to another or from one location to another. No more than three permits may be issued within a single calendar year at the same location. (Ord. # , Oct. 1993)
- **8-113. Duration of permit**. Permits issued pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall be issued for an indefinite period of time. Operations may be reviewed by the beer board from time to time and at least on an annual basis. (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993)
- **8-114.** <u>Display of permit</u>. The permit required by this chapter shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises of the permit holder, together

with all other permits, licenses, and stamps as required by law. (Ord. #____, Oct. 1993)

- 8-115. Privilege tax. There is hereby imposed on the business of selling, distributing, storing or manufacturing beer a privilege tax of one hundred dollars (\$100). Any person, firm, corporation, joint stock company, syndicate or association engaged in the sale, distribution, storage or manufacture of beer shall remit the tax January 1, 1994, and each successive January 1, to the City of Minor Hill, Tennessee. At the time a new permit is issued to any business subject to this tax, the permit holder shall be required to pay the privilege tax on a prorated basis for each month or portion thereof remaining until the next tax payment date. (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993)
- 8-116. Interference with public health, safety, and morals **prohibited**. No permit authorizing the sale of beer will be issued when such business would cause congestion of traffic or would interfere with schools, churches, or other places of public gathering, or would otherwise interfere with the public health safety and morals. In no event will a permit be issued authorizing storage, sale or manufacture of beer at places within 400 feet for packaged beer and 2000 feet for a tayern, of any school, church or other place of public gathering, pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated. § 57-5-105. The distance shall be measured in a straight line from the nearest point on the property line upon which sits the building from which the beer will be manufactured, stored or sold to the nearest point on the property line of the hospital, school, church or other place of public gathering if a valid permit had been issued to any business on that same location as of January 1, 1999, unless beer is not sold, distributed or manufactured at that location during any continuous six month period after January 1, 1999. (Ord. #____, Oct. 1993, as replaced by Ord. #___, June 1999)
- 8-117. <u>Issuance of permits to persons convicted of certain crimes prohibited</u>. No beer permit shall be issued to any person who has been convicted for the possession, sale, manufacture, or transportation of intoxicating liquor or any crime involving moral turpitude within the past ten (10) years. No person, firm, corporation, joint-stock company, syndicate, or association having at least a five percent (5%) ownership interest in the applicant shall have been convicted of any violation of the laws against possession, sale, manufacture, or transportation of beer or other alcoholic beverages or any crime involving moral turpitude within the past ten (10) years. (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993)
- **8-118.** <u>Issuance of permits to hotels, clubs, etc</u>. It shall be lawful for the beer board to issue a permit for the sale of any beverage coming within the provision of this chapter, to hotels, motels, clubs, or lodges, subject to the limitations and restrictions contained in the state law, and the rules and

regulations promulgated thereunder, and subject to all the limitations and restrictions contained in the permit provided by this chapter. (Ord. #____, Oct. 1993)

- 8-119. Retail premises; restrictions, frontage, curtains, blinds, etc., exceptions. No permit to sell at retail coming within the provisions of this chapter, shall be issued for the operation of any place except one with enough of the front enclosed in glass of such design that the interior can be easily seen from the sidewalk or street in front of such place. No curtains, drapes, shades, blinds, screens or other things shall be used in the front of any place that hinders a clear and unobstructed view of the interior of such place from the sidewalk or street in front of such place. All places shall be adequately lighted. (Ord. #____, Oct. 1993)
- 8-120. <u>Sanitation for premises covered by on premises permit</u>. Any person holding a permit under this chapter for sale for consumption on the premises shall keep and maintain the premises in a clean and sanitary condition. (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993)
- 8-121. Minor, fraudulent evidence of age, etc., misdemeanor. It shall be unlawful for any minor to purchase, attempt to purchase or to possess any such beverage covered under this chapter, or for anyone to purchase such beverage for a minor. It shall be unlawful for any minor to present or offer to permit, his agent or employee, any written evidence of his age which is false, fraudulent, or not actually his own, for the purpose of purchasing or attempting to purchase such beverages. Any minor who acts in violation of any one or more of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and if eighteen (18) years of age, or more, shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00); if seventeen (17) years of age, or less, he shall be taken before the juvenile judge for appropriate disposition. (Ord. #____, Oct. 1993)
- 8-122. <u>Investigation of applicant, agent and/or employees</u>. Applicants for a retail permit under this section are subject to be investigated by municipal, county and state authorities, and any agent of said applicant, or his employees must register with the Police Department of the City of Minor Hill prior to beginning work, submit such information and records as the beer board may require and secure a permit from said police department. In addition, all employees of retail beer permit holders must have an up-to-date health card before accepting employment as required by State Public Health Department for Food Handlers. (Ord. #____, Oct. 1993)
- **8-123.** Prohibited conduct or activities by beer permit holders. It shall be unlawful for any beer permit holder to:

- (1) Employ any person convicted for the possession, sale, manufacture or transportation of intoxicating liquor or any crime involving moral turpitude within the past ten (10) years.
- (2) Employ any minor under eighteen (18) years of age in the sale, service or dispensing of beer at retail.
- (3) Make or allow any sale of beer between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 6:00 A.M. on Monday through Friday mornings; between 1:00 A.M. and 6:00 A.M. on Saturday and Sunday mornings; from 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. on Sunday, except sales for packaged beer only and not for on premises consumption. During daylight saving time taverns will be allowed to remain open and sales allowed until 12:00 midnight on Sundays. For the remaining part of the year, no sales will be allowed after 9:00 P.M. on Sundays. No person or persons shall be allowed on the premises (defined as the building and immediate parking area surrounding same) for a period to continue more than thirty (30) minutes after the required closing times except the beer permit holder and one (1) designated employee whose name has been furnished in advance and in writing to the city clerk or a police commissioner.
- (4) Allow any loud, unusual or obnoxious noises to emanate from his premises.
- (5) Make or allow any sale of beer to a person under the minimum age allowed by Tennessee law to purchase beer; or to allow any such person to loiter in or about the place of business.
- (6) Make or allow any sale of beer to any intoxicated person or to any feeble minded, insane, or other mentally incapacitated person.
- (7) Allow drunk or disreputable persons, or persons of questionable character to loiter about his premises.
- (8) Serve, sell or allow the consumption on his premises of any alcoholic beverage with an alcoholic content of more than five (5%) percent by weight.
- (9) Fail to provide and maintain separate sanitary toilet for men and women.
- (10) Fail to allow Minor Hill City Police or any other law enforcement officer, or beer board member, to enter and check any business at any time where establishment has municipal beer license. Failure to permit same shall constitute cancellation of beer license by beer board after appropriate hearing.
- (11) It shall be unlawful for any person to transport from any point within or without this state to another point within this state, any beer and/or other beverages on which the tax imposed has not been paid to the City of Minor Hill.
- (12) Allow pool and billiard playing or video games in the same room where beer is sold and/or consumed. Beer may be sold in a pool room or game room only if a partition or wall separates the place of sale from the pool or game room. The hours of closing for pool rooms or video game rooms shall be 9 P.M. on Sunday (12 midnight during daylight saving time), 12 midnight on Monday,

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights of each week and 1 A.M. on Saturday and Sunday mornings of each week. (Ord. #____, Oct. 1993, modified, as replaced by Ord. #8-123, Sept. 2011)

8-124. <u>Suspension and revocation of beer permits</u>. All permits issued by the beer board under the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to suspension or revocation by said board for the violation of any of the provisions of the State Beer Act or any of the provisions of this chapter. Suspension or revocation proceedings may be initiated by the police or by any member of the beer board and the board is vested with full and complete power to investigate charges against any permit holder and to cite any permit holder to appear and show cause why his permit should not be suspended or revoked.

Complaints filed against any permit holder for the purpose of suspending or revoking such permits shall be made in writing and filed with the board. When the board shall have reason to believe that any permit holder shall have violated the provisions of the State Beer Act or any of the provisions of this chapter, the board is authorized to notify the permitee of said violations and to cite said permitee by written notice to appear and show cause why his permit should not be suspended or revoked for such violations. Said notice to appear and show cause shall state the alleged violations charged and shall be served upon the permitee either by registered letter or by a member of the police department. This notice shall be served upon the permitee at least five (5) days before the date of the hearing. At the hearing the board shall publicly hear the evidence both in support of the charges and on behalf of the permitee. After said hearing, if the board determines that the charges have been sustained, said board shall suspend the permit as follows:

For a first offense the minimum period of three consecutive calendar days. For a second offense occurring within 90 days of the prior offense the minimum suspension shall be a period of 15 calendar days.

For a third offense occurring within 180 days of the second offense as described in the preceding paragraph the minimum suspension period shall be 30 consecutive calendar days.

The board may, in its discretion suspend for any of these offenses for a substantially longer period of time. In addition, the board may revoke the permit.

The beer board may, at the time it imposes a revocation or suspension, offer a permit holder the alternative of paying a civil penalty not to exceed \$1,500.00 for each offense of making or permitting to be made any sales to minors or, a civil penalty not to exceed \$1,000.00 for any other offense. If a civil penalty is offered as an alternative to revocation or suspension, the holder shall have seven (7) days within which to pay the civil penalty before the revocation or suspension shall be imposed. If the civil penalty is paid within that time, the revocation or suspension shall a deemed withdrawn.

The action of the beer board in said hearings shall be final, subject to review by the court as provided in the State Beer Act. When the permit is revoked, no new permit may be issued hereunder for the sale of beer at the same location until the expiration of one (1) year from the date the revocation became final. (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993)

- 8-125. <u>Limitations on number of permits: retail off premises restrictions</u>. (1) At no time shall the number of beer permits issued by the beer board and outstanding in the City of Minor Hill for off premises consumption exceed two (2).
- (2) "Package beer" is defined as beer (defined § 8-107) sold for off premises consumption.
- (3) Permits for the off premises sale of beer shall be issued according to the following classes and limitations:
 - (a) Off premises where beer is sold at a grocery (food store). Grocery shall mean a business establishment whose primary business is the retail sale of food merchandise and household items. Beer shall not be sold for consumption on the premises of grocery stores.
 - (b) Off premises where beer is sold at a prepared food business. This shall mean an establishment whose business is the sale of prepared food to be consumed off the premises as defined by this section. (Ord. #____, Oct. 1993)
- **8-126.** On premises restrictions. At no time shall the number of beer permits issued by the beer board and outstanding in the City of Minor Hill for taverns exceed six (6).
- (1) In cases of waiting lists, applicants for already established businesses will hold priority over unestablished businesses.
- (2) In the event of the death of a beer permit holder, his successors shall have first option on the available license. (Ord. #____, Oct. 1993)
- **8-127.** Penalty for violations. Each day's violation of each or any provisions of this chapter by any permit holder, or each sale made in violation of any provisions of this chapter shall constitute a separate misdemeanor which shall be punishable by a fine of not less than one dollar (1.00) or more than one thousand and five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) or by suspension or revocation of the permit issued hereunder, or by such fine or suspension or revocation. (Ord. #____, Oct. 1993)
- 8-128. Employees liable for violations. Any employee of any permitee who violates the provisions of this chapter or any provision of the State Beer Act while so employed by such permitee shall be guilty of a misdemeanor which shall be punishable by a fine of not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00). (Ord. #_____, Oct. 1993)

8-129. <u>Telephone</u>. All beer taverns are required to have a phone installed. This is to be an installed phone, not a cell phone. (as added by Ord. #8-819, April 2002)

CHAPTER 2

INTOXICATING LIQUORS

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- **8-201.** Alcoholic beverages subject to regulation. It shall be unlawful to engage in the business of selling, storing, transporting or distributing, or to purchase or possess alcoholic beverages within the corporate limits of the city except as provided by Tennessee Code Annotated, title 57, and by rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and as provided in this chapter. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)
- 8-202. Application for retail liquor store certificate. For the retail sale of alcoholic beverages at a liquor store, a Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission retail license is required. As a condition precedent to the issuance of a retail license by the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission, an applicant for a license is required to obtain a certificate of compliance from the city, to be filed with the state application, as provided in Tennessee Code Annotated, § 57-3-208. The application for a certificate of compliance shall be submitted by the applicant to the city recorder, on forms prescribed and furnished by the city, including the following information:

- (1) Name, age and address of the applicant.
- (2) Number of years of residence in Giles County.
- (3) Occupation or business and length of time engaged in such occupation or business.
- (4) Whether or not the applicant has been convicted of a violation of any state or federal law or of the violation of this code or any city ordinance, and the details of any such conviction.
 - (5) If employed, the name and address of employer.
 - (6) If in business, the kind of business and location thereof.
- (7) The address of the proposed store for the sale of alcoholic beverages.
- (8) The name and address of the owner of the property for which the certificate is sought, which shall be accompanied by evidence that the owner has agreed to allow the proposed retail store to be operated on the property upon issuance of a license.
- (9) If the applicant is a partnership, the name, age and address of each partner, and his occupation, business or employer. If the applicant is a corporation, the name, age and address of the stockholders and their degrees of ownership of stock in the corporation.
- (10) Further documentation. The application shall be accompanied by a copy of each questionnaire form and other material to be filled out by the applicant or each member of the applicant group with the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission in connection with the same application and shall be accompanied by one (1) copy of a scale plan drawn to scale of not less than one inch equals twenty feet (1" = 20') giving the following information:
 - (a) The shape, size and location of the lot which the liquor store is to be operated under the license,
 - (b) The shape, size, height and location of all buildings whether they are to be erected, altered, moved or existing upon the lot,
 - (c) The off-street parking space and off-street loading and unloading space to be provided including the vehicular access to be provided from these areas to a public street.
- (11) <u>Fee</u>. A two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) non-refundable application fee shall be paid at time of initial application or renewal. Said fee shall be in the form of a cashier's check made payable to the City of Minor Hill. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)

8-203. Full and accurate disclosure, verification of application.

(1) Misrepresentation of a material fact, or concealment of a material fact required to be shown in the application for a certificate, shall be a violation of this chapter. The city may refuse to issue a certificate if, upon investigation, the city finds that the applicant for a certificate has concealed or misrepresented in writing or otherwise any material fact or circumstance concerning the operation of the business, or if the interest of the applicant in the operation of

the business is not truly stated in the application, or in case of any fraud or false swearing by the applicant touching any matter relating to the operation of the business. All data, written statements, affidavits, evidence or other documents submitted in support of an application are a part of the application.

- (2) If the provisions of this section are alleged to have been violated, the board of mayor and aldermen may by majority vote revoke any certificate which has been issued, after first providing an opportunity for the applicant or certificate-holder to refute such allegations and to show cause why the certificate should not be revoked.
- (3) The information in the application shall be verified by the oath of the applicant. If the applicant is a partnership or a corporation, the application shall be verified by the oath of each partner, or by the president of the corporation. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)
- **8-204.** Residency requirement. Permit holder must be a bonafide resident of the State of Tennessee. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017, and replaced by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2018 *Ch4_10-2-18*)
- 8-205. Applicant to agree to comply with laws. The applicant for a certificate of compliance shall agree in writing to comply with state laws, federal laws, ordinances of the city, and rules and regulations of the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission, regarding the sale of alcoholic beverages. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)
- **8-206.** Action on application. applicant to appear. (1) Every application for a certificate of compliance shall be referred by the city recorder to the chief of police for investigation who shall submit his findings to the board of mayor and aldermen within thirty (30) days of the date each application was filed.
- (2) An applicant for a certificate may be required to appear in person before the board of mayor and aldermen for such reasonable examination as may be desired by the board prior to issuance. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)
- 8-207. Requisites for certificate approval. A certificate of compliance shall be granted or denied by the board of mayor and aldermen within sixty (60) days after the application for the certificate is referred to the chief of police based on compliance with all regulations set forth in this chapter, as well as the following findings:
- (1) That the applicant or applicants who are to be in actual charge of the business have not been convicted of a felony within a ten (10) year period immediately preceding the date of application and, if a corporation, that the executive officers or those in control have not been convicted of a felony within a ten (10) year period immediately preceding the date of the application;

- (2) That the applicant or applicants have secured a location for the business which complies with all restrictions of any ordinance adopted by the city, as to the location of the business;
- (3) That the applicant or applicants have complied with any ordinance of this chapter regulating the number of retail licenses to be issued within the jurisdiction. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)
- 8-208. Certificate expiration. A certificate of compliance shall expire and become void if the applicant to whom the certificate was granted fails to apply for a liquor store retail license from the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission within six (6) months of the date of the certificate, or if the liquor store for which a certificate was granted is not in operation within twelve (12) months following the issuance of the certificate; provided, however, that the board of mayor and aldermen may, upon written request of the applicant, extend the expiration date of a certificate for up to three (3) additional months in the event of circumstances beyond the applicant's control, as determined in the sole discretion of the board of mayor and aldermen. If a certificate becomes void, no new certificate may be issued to the same applicant unless a new application is submitted and all applicable requirements of this chapter are met at the time the new application is received. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)
- 8-209. <u>Certificate renewal</u>. A certificate of compliance shall be renewed by the board of mayor and aldermen provided the applicant continues to meet the standards under which the initial certificate of compliance was issued; and further provided that a completed form of application for renewal, on a form to be provided by the city, with the requisite renewal fee as set forth in § 8-202(11), is paid to the city recorder, and as determined to continue to comply with all requirements for issuance. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)
- 8-210. <u>State license required for liquor store sales</u>. It shall be unlawful to operate a liquor store and sell alcoholic beverages in the city except in compliance with all state laws, federal laws, ordinances of the city, and rules and regulations of the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)

8-211. Conveyance of ownership prohibited, relocation of store.

- (1) No sale, transfer or gift of any interest of any nature, either financial or otherwise, in a liquor store shall be made.
- (2) A liquor store shall not be moved from its approved location to another location without the issuance of a certificate of compliance by the board of mayor and aldermen for the new location. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)

- **8-212.** Restrictions on licenses. No more than one (1) establishment for retail liquor shall be allowed within the city limits. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017, and replaced by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2018 *Ch4_10-2-18*)
- 8-213. Only one establishment to be operated by retailer. No retailer shall operate, directly or indirectly, more than one (1) place of business for the sale of alcoholic beverages in the city. The word "indirectly," as used in this section, shall include and mean any kind of interest in another place of business by way of stock, ownership, loan, partner's interest or otherwise. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)
- 8-214. Retail stores to be on ground floor, entrances, building limitations. No liquor store shall be located anywhere on premises in the city except on the ground floor thereof. Each such store shall have only one (1) main entrance; provided, that when a store is located on the corner of two (2) streets, such store may maintain a door opening on each such street. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)
- **8-215.** Sales for consumption on premises. No alcoholic beverages shall be sold for consumption on the premises of the seller. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)
- 8-216. Radios, amusement devices and seating facilities prohibited in retail establishments. No radios, pinball machines, slot machines or other devices which tend to cause persons to congregate in such place shall be permitted in any liquor store establishment. No seating facilities shall be provided for persons other than employees. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)
- 8-217. <u>Liquor store inspection fee</u>. There is hereby imposed an inspection fee in the maximum amount allowed by <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, § 57-3-501 on licensed retailers of alcoholic beverages (liquor stores) and upon retail food store wine licenses located within the corporate limits of the city. It is the intent of the board of mayor and aldermen that the said <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 57, chapter 3, inclusive, shall be effective in the city, the same as if said code sections were copied herein verbatim. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)
- 8-218. Privilege tax on retail sale of alcoholic beverages for on premises consumption. (1) Pursuant to the authority contained in Tennessee Code Annotated, title 57, chapter 4, inclusive, is hereby adopted so as to be applicable to all sales of alcoholic beverages for on premises consumption within the city. It is the intent of the board of mayor and aldermen that the said

<u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 57, chapter 4, inclusive, shall be effective in the city, the same as if said code sections were copied herein verbatim.

- (2) Any person exercising the privilege of selling alcoholic beverages for on premises consumption in the city shall remit annually to the city recorder the appropriate privilege tax on or before January 1 of each year. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)
- 8-219. <u>Revocation procedures</u>. Whenever the board of mayor and aldermen find that a licensee has been, or is, in violation of the provisions of <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, title 57, chapter 1, or the provisions of this chapter, they shall certify such violation to the state alcoholic beverage commission, in such form as the commission requires, which shall have the responsibility for determining whether the offender's license shall be suspended or revoked. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)
- **8-220.** General penalty, continuing violations. (1) The violation of any provision of this chapter shall be punishable by a penalty of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each separate violation; provided, however that the imposition of any such penalty under the provisions of this chapter shall not prevent the revocation of any permit or license for violation of any provision.
- (2) Each day that any violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.
- (3) Upon conviction of any person under this chapter, it shall be mandatory for the city judge to immediately certify the conviction, whether on appeal or not, to the Tennessee Alcoholic Beverage Commission. (as added by Ord. #8-200, Jan. 2017)