



**PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE LIQUOR COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PEKIN, ILLINOIS,
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF CITY HALL
111 S. CAPITOL ST
ON THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2026 AT 4:00 PM
MAYOR MARY J. BURRESS PRESIDING**

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Deputy Liquor Commissioner Rob Jones.

Call to Order

Deputy Liquor Commissioner, Rob Jones, confirmed all Commission Members were physically present except for Liquor Commissioner Mary Burress who was absent. Deputy Liquor Commissioner Rob Jones opened the meeting at 4:00 PM.

Also present: Liquor Commission Secretary Nicole Stewart and City Attorneys Amalia Rioja and Dennis Reboletti.

Liquor Commission Secretary, Nicole Stewart, introduced new member Mike Behm to the Commission.

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Seth Ranney	Liquor Commission	Commission Member	Present	4:00 PM
Trent Reeise	City of Pekin	Commission Member	Present	4:00 PM
Mike Behm	City of Pekin	Commission Member	Present	4:00 PM
Jim Golianis	City of Pekin	Commission Member	Present	4:00 PM
Rob Jones	City of Pekin	Deputy Liquor Commissioner	Present	4:00 PM
Mary Burress	City of Pekin	Liquor Commissioner	Absent	-:--

Approve Agenda

RESULT:	4-0 (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Commission Member Ranney
SECONDER:	Commission Member Golianis
AYES:	Commission Member Ranney, Commission Member Reeise, Commission Member Golianis, Commission Member Behm

ABSENT: Liquor Commissioner Mary Burress

Approval of Minutes

4.1. Minutes from the December 4, 2025 Special Meeting

RESULT:	4-0 (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Commission Member Ranney
SECONDER:	Commission Member Reeise
AYES:	Commission Member Ranney, Commission Member Reeise, Commission Member Golianis, Commission Member Behm
ABSENT:	Liquor Commissioner Mary Burress

Public Input

No public input was received.

New Business

6.1. Suspension/Revocation of Liquor License: Fuentes, Inc dba Hacienda, 2912 Court Street

Violation: Incomplete and Deficient Renewal Application (Pekin City Code Section 5-2-4 - Alcoholic Liquor Application)

A motion was made by Commission Member Ranney seconded by Commission Member Reeise to continue the hearing to the regularly scheduled Liquor Commission Meeting of June 25, 2026.

RESULT:	4-0 (UNANIMOUS) CONTINUED TO JUNE 25, 2026
MOVER:	Commission Member Ranney
SECONDER:	Commission Member Reeise
AYES:	Commission Member Ranney, Commission Member Reeise, Commission Member Golianis, Commission Member Behm
ABSENT:	Liquor Commissioner Mary Burress

City Attorney Amalia Rioja explained that the item was related to the liquor license for Fuentes, Inc. dba Hacienda located at 2912 Court Street was in violation for an incomplete and deficient renewal application. Ms. Rioja spoke with the attorney representing Fuentes, Inc, Mr. Gerald Hall, prior to the hearing, and agreed to select a date for a hearing that was convenient with the licensee's schedule. Hearing was scheduled for Thursday, June 25, 2026 at 4PM during the regularly scheduled Liquor Commission Meeting.

6.2. Suspension/Revocation of Liquor License: McKenna's Gaming Enterprise, LLC dba McKenna's Gaming Cafe, 319 Court Street

Violation: Failure to Submit Required Supporting Documentation (Pekin City Code Section 5-2-4 - Alcoholic Liquor Application)

A motion was made Liquor Commission Member Ranney seconded by Commission Member Golianis to continue the hearing to allow time for review of

additional documents provided.

RESULT:	4-0 (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Commission Member Ranney
SECONDER:	Commission Member Golianis
AYES:	Commission Member Ranney, Commission Member Reeise, Commission Member Schwartz, Commission Member Heisel, and Deputy Liquor Commissioner Jones
ABSENT:	Liquor Commissioner Mary Burress

City Attorney Amalia Rioja explained that additional documentation was received earlier that day attempting to cure the deficiencies. Once the documentation has been reviewed, a decision will be made to move forward with approval or to schedule a hearing. The matter was to be deferred to the next meeting.

McKenna's owner Mr. Mahmud Mohamad stated that it was his fault and was okay with any decisions made by the Commission.

6.3. Suspension or Revocation of Liquor License: Family Dollar, LLC dba Family Dollar #24327, 1101 Derby Street

Violation: Incomplete and Deficient Renewal Application (Pekin City Code Section 5-2-4 - Alcoholic Liquor Application)

A motion was made by Commission Member Reeise seconded by Commission member Ranney to suspend or revoke the liquor license for Family Dollar LLC.

A motion was made by Commission Member Reeise seconded by Commission Member Ranney to enter into a settlement agreement with Family Dollar LLC. On roll call vote all present voted aye. Motion carried.

RESULT:	4-0 (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Commission Member Reeise
SECONDER:	Commission Member Ranney
AYES:	Commission Member Ranney, Commission Member Reeise, Commission Member Golianis, Commission Member Behm
ABSENT:	Liquor Commissioner Mary Burress

City Attorney Amalia Rioja explained that she had spoken with the attorney representing Family Dollar before the hearing and agreed to review the new documentation submitted believing it is now in compliance. One outstanding item needs confirmation regarding the LLC name. The licensee agreed to paying a \$500 late fee, a \$500 penalty and \$250 in attorney's fees and costs. Recommendation was given to issue an order outlining the agreement and issue a license assuming the outstanding issue is resolved.

Any Other Business to Come Before the Commission

Adjourn

There being no further business to come to the Commission a motion was made by Commission member Ranney seconded by Commission Member Golianis to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried viva voce vote. Deputy Liquor Commissioner Rob Jones adjourned the meeting at 4:15 PM.