Meeting Date: 3/26/12
Agenda Item: #6a

Mission Statement
Delivering quality services in a courteous, cost-effective and efficient manner.

VILLAGE BOARD MEETING STAFF REPORT

REPORT TO: President Burt McIntyre and Village Board of Trustees

REPORT FROM: Chris Haltom, Executive Director of Administrative Services

AGENDA ITEM: Review and take action on Ordinance 2012-05 regarding closing hours for sellers of fermented malt beverages and intoxicating liquor

POLICY ISSUE
Should the Village Board amend the ordinances to change the closing hours of retail sales of beer and liquor to match the state statutes?

RECOMMENDED ACTION BY VILLAGE BOARD
Village staff recommends the Village Board approve Ordinance 2012-05. If the Board agrees, the following motion could be made:

"I move to approve Ordinance 2012-05 changing the closing hours of retail sales of beer and liquor."

POLICY ALTERNATIVE(S)
The Village Board could take no action and maintain the current closing hours.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

FISCAL IMPACT:

1. Is There A Fiscal Impact? No
2. Is it Currently Budgeted? N/A
3. If Budgeted, Which Line?

FICSAL SYNOPSIS:

There is no impact on the budget related to this issue.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION
At the March 12, 2012 board meeting, I gave a report on the changes in state statutes to allow for an earlier starting time of retail sales of beer and liquor. The village can maintain a more strict starting and ending time for these establishments than state law allows should the board desire. The board gave me direction at the last meeting to go ahead with amending our ordinance to allow the ordinances to match the state statutes.

I have prepared the attached ordinance amendment that would make all closing hours for retail sales of beer and liquor to match the state statutes.

ATTACHED INFORMATION
I. Ordinance 2012-05

ATTACHMENT I

ORDINANCE NO. 2012-05

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND RECREATING SECTION 6-95 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF HOWARD RELATING TO CLOSING HOURS FOR RETAIL SALES OF FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGES AND INTOXICATING LIQUORS

THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF HOWARD, BROWN COUNTY, WISCONSIN DOES ORDAIN THAT SECTION 6-95 IS REPEALED AND RECREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. SECTION 6-95: The village hereby adopts state statutes 125.32(3) and 125.68(4), and any future amendments, relating to closing hours for Class "A", Class "B" "Class A", "Class B" and "Class C" sales of fermented malt beverages and intoxicating liquor.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication.

Dated this 26th day of March, 2012

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Burt McIntyre, Village President

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Christopher A. Haltom, Village Clerk

Date of publication: _____