

CITY OF NEWTON
BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS
Chair, Kathleen M. McCarthy, Dina Conlin & Gloria M. Gavris

June 16, 2015 meeting minutes

Business meeting called to order at 7:10 pm

May 19, 2015 Minutes approved with a vote of 2-0 (Commissioner Gavris was not present at meeting)

The question the applicant from the JCC needing a common victuallar license was not answered, will be placed on agenda next month for continued discussion

Upcoming meeting dates; July 21, August 18, September 22 Hearing Dates – confirmed with a vote of 3-0

Classification on Non-Profit Organizations – there should be verification for those applicants claiming nonprofit status. Applicant should submit their 501 c 3 certification or other documentation. Office staff will check with legal to see what verification is needed. Nonprofit status will be added to application checklist - approve with vote of 3-0

Conditions for Special Hearings- what should be the policy was discussed, examples: if missing information, if person misses the deadline, policy ‘if missing deadline’ more likely it would be no, on a rare occasion, the special hearing would be considered.

Any Other Business – Sgt. Cupoli says there were 2 reported violations for Auburndale Market and Murrays Liquor details will be forthcoming,

7:30 P.M. – Regular Meeting of the Board

NOTICE OF HEARING ON ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF M.G.L. CHAPTER 138 AND THE CITY OF NEWTON BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS REGULATIONS:

AUBURNDALE WINE & SPIRITS: 2102 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE (MICHAEL O’CONNELL)

Representatives from Auburndale Wine and Spirits introduced themselves to the board to discuss violations the occurred on April 23, 2015.

Sgt Cupoli read the report of violation from Newton Police regarding underage alcohol purchase.

Auburndale Wine and Spirits responses: They have been operating for 21 years without a single violation. They do not dispute the findings in the Newton Police Department. Going forward no out of state licenses will be accepted and increased signage will be posted. Everyone appearing under age of 30 will be asked for ID. All Groups will be asked for ID. The employee that violated the policy was given one month’s suspension. All employees must use the scanner for all ID’s. Scanner has been in place for approx. 3 years. Retraining of all employees plus a TIPS recertification from a 3rd party company has begun. A sincere apology was given to the board with assurance it will not happen again.

Commissioner Conlin suggested a policy manual should be developed with an employee signature acknowledging they understand the policy and understand the ramifications if not followed.

A warning was given - vote 3-0

ONE DAY TEMPORARY PERMITS:

Application filed by Newton Food Pantry, Regina Wu, 1608 Beacon Street, Waban, MA 02468. For a One Day Wine and Malt Permit, for Fundraiser on Thursday, October 15, 2015 from 6:30 P.M. to 9:30 P.M. To be held at The Windsor Club, 1601 Beacon Street, Waban, MA 02468.

Estimated Attendance: (200) Ages 21+

Vote 3-0 contingent on receiving an updated insurance certificate and police detail will be required (send email confirmation to office)

Application filed by Elena Taycher, 337 Kenrick Street, Newton, MA 02458. For a One Day Wine and Malt Permit, for Family Celebration on Saturday, October 24, 2015 from 6:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. To be held at The Windsor Club, 1601 Beacon Street, Waban, MA 02468.

Estimated Attendance: (60) Ages All

Vote 3-0 contingent on receiving an updated insurance certificate

Application filed by Dinny Starr, 47 Caroline Park, Waban, MA 02468. For a One Day All Alcohol Permit, for Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, December 12, 2015 from 5:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. To be held at The Windsor Club, 1601 Beacon Street, Waban, MA 02468.

Estimated Attendance: (150) Ages All

Vote 3-0 contingent on receiving an updated insurance certificate

Application filed by Ilana Steel, 75 Devonshire Road, Waban, MA 02468. For a One Day All Alcohol Permit, for Clambake on Friday, July 24, 2015 from 7:00 P.M. to 11:30 P.M. To be held at The Windsor Club, 1601 Beacon Street, Waban, MA 02468.

Estimated Attendance: (100) Ages 21+

Vote 3-0 contingent on receiving certification that it is a nonprofit and copy of TIPS certification

Wine and malt approved if not

SEASONAL FARMER'S MARKET WINERY:

Application filed by Lexington Consulting Group, Inc., d/b/a Turtle Creek Winery, Kip Kumler, P.O. Box 601, Lincoln, MA 01773. Seasonal Farmer's Market Winery (Newton Farmer's Market). Event will take place on Saturdays from June 20th, 2015 to October 10th, 2015, 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. To be held at Elm Street, West Newton, MA 02465.

Vote 3-0

NEW OFFICERS/DIRECTORS:

Application filed by Ambrose D. Cedrone Lodge #1069, d/b/a Sons of Italy in America, Robert DiStefano/Kenneth Reisman, 196 Adams Street, Nonantum, MA 02458. New Officers/Directors (See List). To be exercised at 196 Adams Street, Nonantum, MA 02458.

Vote 3-0 to confirming officers and directors

Vote 3-0 to ratify the prior vote that approved the manager

CHANGE OF MANAGER AND TRANSFER OF STOCK:

Application filed by Hopster's LLC, d/b/a Hopster's Brew and Boards, Lee Cooper/Karen Cooper/John Connell, 112 Water Street, 2nd Floor, Boston, MA 02109. Change of Manager: Old Manager – Gretchen Wilson, New Manager – Danielle Bax. Transfer of Stock: Lee Cooper to Karen Cooper (100%). To be exercised at 292 Centre Street, Newton Corner, MA 02458.

Vote 3-0 to ratify the prior vote that approved the change in manager

Vote 3-0 to transfer stock

TRANSFER OF ALL ALCOHOL LICENSE, COMMON VICTUALLER, AND WEEKLY ENTERTAINMENT:

Application filed by WY Seafood LLC, d/b/a Shaking Crab, Kevin Quinn Duong/Andrea Kor, 128 Lincoln Street, Suite 103, Boston, MA 02111. Transfer of All Alcohol License, Common Victualler, and Weekly Entertainment. Previous Owner: Francesca Pizzeria, Inc. New Owner: WY Seafood LLC. Entertainment will consist of Televisions and Recorded Music. Seating: 45. Hours of Operation from: Monday – Saturday 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Midnight, Sunday 11:00 A.M. to 12:00 Midnight. 7 Days. To be exercised at 203 Adams Street, Nonantum, MA 02458.

Vote 3-0 entertainment

Vote 3-0 transfer of license contingent upon updated insurance certificate, proof of the advertisement

Application filed by Win & Yan, Inc., d/b/a New Sapporo Restaurant, Yan Zhen Wei/Andrea Kor, 128 Lincoln Street, Suite 103, Boston, MA 02111. Transfer of All Alcohol License, Common Victualler, and Weekly Entertainment. Previous Owner: KOAM Trading, Inc. New Owner: Win & Yan, Inc. Entertainment will consist of Televisions and Recorded Music. Seating: 52. Hours of Operation from: Monday – Saturday 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Midnight, Sunday 11:00 A.M. to 12:00 Midnight. 7 Days. To be exercised at 81R Union Street, Newton Centre, MA 02459.

Vote 3-0 transfer of license insurance copy of the advertisement

Vote 3-0 entertainment

BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED AT JULY 21, 2015 HEARING:

Need for JCC to have a common victuallar license, violations to be heard regarding Murrays Liquors and Auburndale Market

Respectfully submitted
Linda Walsh
Interim Administrative Director