

Minutes of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for their meeting held on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, at the Weymouth Town Hall, Chambers located at 75 Middle Street, Weymouth, MA

Attendance: Voting Member (present): Acting Chairman, Daniel McCormack, Director of Public Health; Jeffrey E. Richards, Director of Municipal Licenses & Inspections, Clerk; Fire Chief Keith Stark; Police Chief Richard Fuller (absent): Chairperson Kathleen A. Deree, Town Clerk

Non-voting: Town Solicitor Richard McLeod and Marsha Geronaitis, Paralegal

Acting Chairman McCormack called the meeting to order at 2 PM.

APPROVALS

- Minutes: October 25, 2022

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the minutes of October 25, 2022. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

APPLICATION OF LORENE VO D/B/A BOBA LATTE FOR A FOOD VENDOR LICENSE AT 27 WASHINGTON ST.

Mr. Richards said the Food Vendor License application was for the following hours of operation: Sunday 11 AM – 6 PM and Monday through Saturday from 11 AM – 8 PM. The menu consists of Boba Tea, drinks and desserts. The site is part of an existing location. The floor plan is existing and the operation will be under a change of ownership.

Mr. McCormack stated the Health Department application has been completed. It would require an inspection prior to operation.

Mr. Richards stated taxes were reported as current by the Tax Office.

Mr. Richards announced the public hearing; no one spoke.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the Food Vendor License for 27 Washington Street. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

APPLICATION OF HARBORSIDE NUTRITION, LLC D/B/A BLEND FOR A COMMON VICTUALLER LICENSE, 100 PLEASANT ST.

Mr. Richards said the Common Victualler License application included a newly revised floor plan for 19 seats and the hours of operation as: Monday through Friday from 7 AM – 6 PM and Saturday and Sunday from 8 AM – 3 PM. Menu is to include protein shakes and herbal teas.

Mr. McCormack reported no concerns. The Health Department received their applications and the site would be subject to an inspection prior to operation.

Mr. Richards announced the public hearing for comment; none.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION of approval for the Harborside Nutrition, LLC d/b/a Blend for the location of 100 Pleasant Street. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

APPLICATION OF **BEACH PAWS, LLC D/B/A SPORTS EMPORIUM** FOR A TRANSFER OF THE ALL ALCOHOLIC RESTAURANT LICENSE OF WEEZIE INC. AT 220 BRIDGE ST.

Mr. Richards said they were going to miss the Cliff Hanger. They have had no issues with the Cliff Hanger. He remembered the days of the smoker in the back. Days have changed. He read a few items into the record: The property owner has a few minor tax issues that would need to be taken care of. The location has 75 seats with outside seating. It is in a B-2 Limited Business Zone. The applicant is required to get an Occupancy Permit and a Sign Permit.

Mr. Richards stated a neighbor reported no issues at all for the restaurant. The Police and Fire Departments reported no issues.

Mr. McCormack reviewed the Health Department's application, stating that a few noted Sports Emporium and others The Sports Emporium. He wanted to make sure all the permits were the same d/b/a.

Ms. Mary Shultz, owner, stated it should be The Sports Emporium.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the transfer of the liquor license to Beach Paws, LLC d/b/a The Sports Emporium at 220 Bridge Street. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

APPLICATION OF **BEACH PAWS, LLC D/B/A SPORTS EMPORIUM** FOR A COMMON VICTUALLER LICENSE AT 220 BRIDGE ST.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the Common Victualler License application of Beach Paws, LLC d/b/a The Sports Emporium at 220 Bridge St. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

APPLICATION OF **BEACH PAWS, LLC D/B/A SPORTS EMPORIUM** FOR AN ANNUAL ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE AT 220 BRIDGE ST.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the Annual Entertainment License application of Beach Paws, LLC d/b/a The Sports Emporium at 220 Bridge St. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

APPLICATION OF **BEACH PAWS, LLC D/B/A SPORTS EMPORIUM** FOR A SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE AT 220 BRIDGE ST.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the Sunday Entertainment License application of Beach Paws, LLC d/b/a The Sports Emporium at 220 Bridge St. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

APPLICATION OF BEACH PAWS, LLC D/B/A SPORTS EMPORIUM FOR A JUKE BOX LICENSE, 220 BRIDGE ST.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the Juke Box License application of Beach Paws, LLC d/b/a The Sports Emporium at 220 Bridge St. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

APPLICATION OF BEACH PAWS, LLC D/B/A SPORTS EMPORIUM FOR A VIDEO GAME LICENSE, 220 BRIDGE ST.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the Video Game License application of Beach Paws, LLC d/b/a The Sports Emporium at 220 Bridge St. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

APPLICATION OF BEACH PAWS, LLC D/B/A SPORTS EMPORIUM FOR A POOL TABLE LICENSE AT 220 BRIDGE ST.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the Pool Table License application of Beach Paws, LLC d/b/a The Sports Emporium at 220 Bridge St. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- Next Meeting:

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to schedule the next meeting for Tuesday, December 20, 2022 at 2 PM and January 24, 2023. He made a MOTION of approval. Chief Stark seconded and the motion was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

- Alcohol License BOLC Criteria

Solicitor McLeod reviewed the Criteria as being drafted for the Licensing Board's deliberation for liquor license application approvals to use and consider when reviewing an application.

Mr. Richards suggested having a January window to open the application process to accept applications for a February meeting.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the second draft as submitted for the Licensing Board's Criteria Guideline for Liquor License Applications. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

- Wine & Malt Package Store License

Mr. Richards suggested that the interested parties list would be notified by January 1st to apply by

January 15th. The Licensing Board would have time to review for approval at a March meeting. If the applicant does not qualify during the application review process (i.e, criminal history review and ABCC criteria) that would immediately disqualify them from forwarding for a public hearing approval.

Acting Chairman McCormack asked for clarification how many licenses are available and the type.

Mr. Richards replied one (1) beer and wine package store license for consumption not on the premises. This is a unique situation and he doesn't feel it would happen again. Most licenses come and go as a transfer under a purchase and sales agreement.

- License Renewal Applications are due by Wednesday, November 30th

Mr. Richards thanked the Weymouth Police Department for getting the liquor license renewals out. All license renewal applications are due back to Town Hall by November 30th. Licensing Board renewal approvals would forwarded to the ABCC.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to adjourn at 2:14 PM. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa VanWinkle
Recording Secretary

Approved:

Date:

Jeffrey E. Richards, CBO, Clerk