

Minutes of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for their meeting held on Tuesday, December 19, 2017, at the Weymouth Town Hall, Chambers located at 75 Middle Street, Weymouth, MA

Attendance (present): Chairman Daniel McCormack, Director of Public Health; Jeffrey E. Richards, Director of Municipal Licenses & Inspections, Clerk; Police Chief Richard Grimes; Fire Chief Keith Stark; Fire Captain Justin Myers; Licensing Officer Edward Chase and Solicitor Joseph Callanan (absent): Chairperson Kathleen A. Deree, Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM.

**APPLICATION OF HATTER 18, LLC D/B/A MAD HATTER CAFÉ FOR AN ALL ALCOHOLIC RESTAURANT LICENSE TRANSFER FROM HAJJAR CORP. D/B/A HAJJAR'S AT 969 WASHINGTON ST.**

Attorney Caccavaro was present representing Mad Hatter Café, LLC.

Mr. Richards read the departmental referrals in to the record, stating Officer Chase reported no public safety objection provided that all requirements of the Licensing Board are met and by the applicant and all inspections are successfully complete. The Health Department reported if the license is issued, a permit to operate a food establishment must also be obtained. Plans, application and fee must be submitted. The establishment must be inspected prior to opening. Mr. Richards reported that a Certificate of Inspection and Certificate of Occupancy would be required as well.

Attorney Caccavaro stated the restaurant would be purchased and they are looking to do renovations in February. They would like to expand their operations, lounge, dining facilities and function facilities.

Mr. Richards asked whether they would be maintaining the current location.

Attorney Caccavaro replied they would be as well keep their Mad Hatter name.

Mr. Richards asked what improvements were proposed for Hajjars.

Attorney Caccavaro replied the site plan and floor plan was submitted as well as the estimate for contractor fees. The seating won't change.

Mr. McCormack stated architectural sketch and final plans are to be submitted to everyone when submitting for a Building Permit.

Mr. Richards asked if they would be continually operating.

Attorney Caccavaro stated they would potentially close for renovations in February for seven to ten weeks.

Mr. Richards stated that it was a great location and has been frequented for years.

Captain Myers had been at the restaurant recently and everything appeared to be up to code.

Mr. McCormack stated a change of equipment would require plan submittal and review by the Health Department.

Mr. Richards stated the same for the Building Department. Signs require permits.

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

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the All Alcohol License transfer. Chief Stark seconded and it was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

**APPLICATION OF HATTER 18, LLC D/B/A MAD HATTER CAFÉ FOR A COMMON VICTUALLER LICENSE AT 969 WASHINGTON ST.**

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the Common Victualler license. Chief Stark seconded and it was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

**APPLICATION OF THE ALUMNI 836 LLC D/B/A THE ALUMNI FOR A CHANGE OF STOCKHOLDERS AND BENEFICIAL INTEREST ON THEIR ALL ALCOHOLIC RESTAURANT LICENSE AT 836 WASHINGTON ST.**

Mr. Richards stated the hearing was advertised and they are looking for a change of stockholders and beneficial interest on the establishment of The Alumni 836 LLC d/b/a The Alumni at 836 Washington St.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION for the approval. Chief Stark seconded and the motion was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

## **CALENDAR YEAR LICENSE RENEWALS**

- **All Alcoholic Restaurant**

Mr. Richards read the inspectional report from Officer Edward Chase regarding All Alcoholic Restaurant licenses, which stated Gourmet Oriental, 625 Washington Street; Passport, 61 Washington Street; and Tio Juan's Margaritas Mexican Restaurant, 765 Bridge Street will not be renewing their respective licenses.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve all the All Alcoholic Restaurant license renewals with the exceptions noted. Chief Stark seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

- **All Alcoholic Club**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating all All Alcoholic Club licenses were in compliance with their licenses.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the All Alcoholic Club license renewals. Chief Stark seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **All Alcoholic Package Store**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating All Alcoholic Package Store licenses were in compliance with their licenses.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the All Alcoholic Package Store license renewals. Chief Stark seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **Wine & Malt Restaurant**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating Wine & Malt Restaurant licenses were found to be in compliance with their licenses.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the Wine & Malt Restaurant license renewals. Chief Stark seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **Farmer Brewery Malt Pouring**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating Farmer Brewery Malt Pouring license were found to be in compliance.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the Farmer Brewery Malt Pouring license renewal. Chief Stark seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **Wine & Malt Package Store**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating Wine & Malt Package Store licenses were in compliance.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the Wine & Malt Package Store license renewals. Chief Stark seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **Common Victualler**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report, which stated as a result of his inspection all license holders were found to be in compliance with their licenses. The only exceptions which will not be renewing their respective licenses are: Friendly's Ice Cream, 415 Washington Street; Tio Juan's Margaritas Mexican Restaurant, 765 Bridge Street; Passport, 61 Washington Street; Gourmet Oriental, 625 Washington Street.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the Common Victualler license renewals with the

exceptions noted. Chief Stark seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **Food Vendor**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating that all Food Vendor licenses were found to be in compliance.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve Food Vendor license renewals. Chief Stark seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **Annual Entertainment**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating that all Annual Entertainment licenses were found to be in compliance with their licenses.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve Annual Entertainment license renewals. Chief Stark seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **Sunday Entertainment**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating based on a list supplied by the Licensing Board an inspection of all holders of Sunday Entertainment licenses was carried out. As a result of this inspection all license holders were found to be in compliance with their licenses. The only exceptions are the following which will not be renewing their respective licenses: Gourmet Oriental located at 625 Washington Street.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve Sunday Entertainment license renewals with the exception noted. Chief Stark seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **Video Game**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating as a result of the inspection all license holders were found to be in compliance with their licenses. The only exceptions are the following which will not be renewing their respective licenses: Gourmet Oriental, 625 Washington Street

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve Video Game license renewals with the exceptions noted. Chief Stark seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **Coin-Operated Device**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating all Coin-Operated Device licenses were found to be in compliance.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve Coin-Operated Device license renewals. Chief Stark seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **Pool Table**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating Pool Table licenses were inspected and were found to be in compliance.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve Pool Table license renewals. Chief Stark seconded.  
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **Juke Box**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating all Juke Box licenses were found to be in compliance. The only exceptions are the following, which will not be renewing their respective licenses: Tio Juan's Margaritas Mexican Restaurant, 765 Bridge Street; gourmet Oriental, 625 Washington Street.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve Juke Box license with the exceptions noted. Chief Stark seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **Class I Auto Dealer**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating as a result of the inspection all license holders were found to be in compliance with their Class I Auto Dealer licenses.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve Class I Auto Dealer license renewals.  
Chief Stark seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **Class II Auto Dealer**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating as a result of the inspections of all Class II Auto Dealer licenses all were found to be in compliance. The only exception are the following which will not be renewing their respective license: Michelle's Used Cars, 398 Bridge St.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve all Class II Auto Dealer license renewals with the exceptions noted. Chief Grimes seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

- **Lodging House**

Mr. Richards read Officer Chase's report stating all holders of a Lodging House license were found to be in compliance.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve Lodging House license renewal. Chief Stark seconded.  
UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

Mr. Richards stated they received correspondence from the Brian Connolly, CFO showing that there were a number of licensees with respective balances. The list was read into the record. They will be addressed on a later date.

## **APPROVALS**

- Minutes: November 21, 2017

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the minutes of November 21, 2017. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

- One-Day Liquor Permit: Cocktails, LLC

Mr. Richards stated the request from Cocktails, LLC was for a birthday party to take place at the Pond Plain Association on January 20, 2018 from 6 PM – 11 PM.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION of approval. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

- Extension of Package Store Hours Request for New Year's Eve: Weymouth Elks #2232, 1197 Washington St.

Mr. Richards stated a request was received from the Weymouth Elks for an extension of hours on New Year's Eve, December 31, 2017. They were requesting an extension to 2 AM.

Mrs. VanWinkle stated they had applied and had been approved for an extension in the past.

Mr. Richards asked if anyone had any comments.

Chief Grimes replied he had no issues.

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to approve the request for an extension of the closing hour until 2 AM. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

- Next Meeting:

Mr. Richards stated the next meeting would be held on Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at 2 PM. He made a MOTION of approval. Chief Stark seconded and the motion was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

- Closure Notice: Aral Management Group d/b/a Friendly's Ice Cream #206, 415 Washington St.

Mr. Richards noted that correspondence was received from Friendly's, stating that they had closed their location on 415 Washington Street, Weymouth, MA.

- Surrender of Licenses: Riverway Restaurant Group, Inc. d/b/a Margaritas Mexican Restaurant, 765 Bridge St.

Mr. Richards acknowledged that the Riverway Restaurant Group Inc. d/b/a Margaritas Mexican Restaurant at 765 Bridge Street, Weymouth, MA had closed their restaurant on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Richards made a MOTION to adjourn at 2:25 PM. Chief Stark seconded the motion and it was UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa VanWinkle  
Recording Secretary

Approved:

Date:

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Jeffrey E. Richards, C.B.O., Clerk, Director of Municipal Licenses & Inspections