

Minutes of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for their meeting held on Tuesday, April 20, 2010, at the Weymouth Town Hall, Chambers, 75 Middle Street

Attendance (present): Chairman Franklin Fryer; Richard Marino, Director of Health; Fire Chief Robert Leary; Police Chief Richard Grimes; Town Solicitor George E. Lane, Jr., Lisa VanWinkle, Secretary; and Licensing Officer Brian King (absent): Jeffrey Richards, Director of Municipal Licenses & Inspections

Chairman Fryer called the meeting to order at 2 PM.

APPLICATION OF TONY HAJJAR AND PETER HABIB D/B/A TWO SISTERS CATERING, FOR A FOOD VENDOR LICENSE, 969 WASHINGTON ST.

Mr. Marino stated the departmental referrals came in without objection. He noted they didn't receive one from the Fire Department from Firefighter Myers.

Chief Leary verified there were no issues from the Fire Department.

Chairman Fryer called Mr. Hajjar forward.

Mr. Tony Hajjar introduced himself and stated they have a lease agreement from Hajjars, 969 Washington Street, to cater Middle Eastern cuisine. The food will be prepared in the restaurant kitchen to be sold retail per customer order.

Mr. Marino made a MOTION to approve a Food Vendor License to Tony Hajjar and Peter Habib d/b/a Two Sisters Catering at the location of 969 Washington St. Chief Leary seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

APPROVALS

- Minutes: March 23, 2010

Chief Leary made a MOTION to approve the minutes of the March 23rd meeting. Chief Grimes seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- Meeting Schedule

Mr. Marino made a MOTION to schedule the next meeting for Tuesday, May 25, 2010 at 2 PM. Chief Leary seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

CORRESPONDENCE

- Officer King RE: Store Closure (Precious Metals License): EYE Sold It.com, 1212 Washington St.

Officer King informed the Board that the store had closed down towards the end of March. Subsequently, the business owner should have notified the Board, but has not.

Solicitor Lane suggested that a notice be sent to the business asking for the license to be turned in or that an explanation is submitted as to why the license is not being used. Notice shall include a hearing date stating the license is subject to revocation by the Licensing Board.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

- Incident at Granite Package Store of Weymouth, Inc., 622 Middle St.

Officer King summarized an incident which occurred at the Granite Package Store. Officer King stated the gentleman who purchased the alcohol made the purchase with a Massachusetts ID card. Valid forms of identification in accordance with Massachusetts General Law are: a valid Massachusetts Driver's License; a Liquor ID Card; a Passport; or active military ID card. The purchase of alcohol was made for minors (5 youths of whom were in the vehicle in which the alcohol was placed). The gentleman who made the purchase was then driven and dropped off at Walmart, 740 Middle St.

Solicitor Lane stated he reviewed the police report in relation to the incident of March 19, 2010. He stated there was no direct sale to a minor; therefore, there was no illegal sale relevant to a charge under Chapter 138. He understands that the licensee and employees are TIP's certified. He recommended that they be brought in for a discussion.

Mr. Marino made a MOTION to send a notice to Granite Package Store to appear before the Board for discussion purposes and explain their acceptable forms of ID. Chief Leary seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

Mr. Marino questioned Solicitor Lane if it would be appropriate for them to discuss the matter regarding the purpose of the individual purchasing the alcohol.

Solicitor Lane replied it is a police matter.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Marino made a MOTION to adjourn at 2:15 PM. Chief Leary seconded. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa VanWinkle,
Recording Secretary