



BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

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Daniel Sarefield, Chairman
Richard Boscardin
John Zarrella

MINUTES OF MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners was held on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 and called to order by Commissioner Sarefield at 6:03PM. Commissioner Boscardin was present and Commissioner Zarrella was absent. FPD Liaison Lieutenant Jeffrey Howe, City Clerk Joanna Bilotta, Assistant City Clerk Elizabeth McNiff were present.

I. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING(S)

The minutes of April 3, 2023 and April 7, 2023 were approved by roll call vote 2/0.

II. NEW APPLICATIONS

Monday – Saturday Entertainment Permit

Mr. Bonilla, Nashua River Brewers Festival, Beers for Good, at Riverfront Park, 35 Cushing Street, for live amplified music on Saturday, June 24, 2023, from 1:00PM to 6:00PM for approximately 800 people.

Mr. Bonilla was present at the meeting. Commissioner Sarefield reviewed application and verified times for the music.

Amended application approved by unanimous roll call vote 2/0.

Liz Murphy, Executive Director, 520 Main Street, (Johnsonia Lot), for live amplified music on Saturday, April 22, 2023, from 1:00PM – 2:00PM for approximately 100 people.

Ms. Murphy was present at the meeting. Commissioner Sarefield reviewed application and verified times for the music. The application was amended to reflect ending time of 2:30PM.

Amended application approved by unanimous roll call vote 2/0.

Special One Day Wine & Malt License

Trevor Bonilla, Nashua River Brewers Festival, Beers for Good, at Riverfront Park, 35 Cushing Street, for a Wine and Malt permit for Saturday, June 24, 2023, from 1:00PM to 6:00PM for approximately 800 people.

Mr. Bonilla was present at the meeting. Commissioner Sarefield reviewed application and verified all servers have TIP certifications.

Lt. Howe had no concerns.

Application approved by unanimous roll call vote 2/0

Desiree Moreno, River Styx Brewing, Food Truck Festival, at 166 Boulder Dr, Suite 112, for a Wine and Malt permit for Saturday, May 20, 2023, from 12:00PM to 7:00PM for approximately 200 people.

Ms. Marina was present at the meeting. Commissioner Sarefield reviewed application and verified all servers have TIP certifications, the commission reviewed the provided map of the area.

Application approved by unanimous roll call vote 2/0

Desiree Moreno, River Styx Brewing, Fashion show, at 166 Boulder Dr, Suite 112, in bar, for a Wine and Malt permit for Saturday, June 17, 2023, from 11:00AM to 11:00PM for approximately 200 people.

Ms. Marina was present at the meeting. Commissioner Sarefield reviewed application and verified all servers have TIP certifications, the commission reviewed the provided map of the area. .

Application approved by unanimous roll call vote 2/0

Nathan Glenny, Fitchburg Access Television, “Business After Hours” , a North Central MA Chamber of Commerce event, at 780 Main Street, for a Wine and Malt permit for Thursday, April 20, 2023, from 5:00PM to 7:00PM for approximately 60 people.

Mr. Glenny was present at the meeting. Commissioner Sarefield reviewed application and verified all servers have TIP certifications. The application was amended to reflect ending time of 7:30PM.

Application approved by unanimous roll call vote 2/0

Taxi Driver Permit

1. Lewis Chamberlain – City Cab, Inc.

Mr. Chamberlain was present at the meeting, Commissioner Sarefield discussed the Taxi and Livery Service Regulations.

Application approved by unanimous roll call vote 2/0.

2. Roniel Fernandez – City Cab, Inc.

Mr. Fernandez, was not present at the meeting, the commission took no action and will invite the applicant to the next meeting.

Application held by unanimous roll call vote 2/0.

3. Jacob Barney – City Cab, Inc.

Mr. Barney was present at the meeting, Commissioner Sarefield discussed the Taxi and Livery Service Regulations.

Application approved by unanimous roll call vote 2/0.

Change of Officers/Directors

99 West, LLC, DBA 99 Restaurant & Pub

Commissioner Sarefield shared that the commission received a corporate change from the ABCC for across the Commonwealth for the licensee and the ABCC has already reviewed and granted preliminary approval for the Change of Officers application.

Application approved by unanimous roll call vote 2/0.

Application for Transfer of Annual All Alcohol Beverage Licensed

Fitchburg Kappy's Inc., DBA Kappy's Fine Wine & Spirits from Fitchburg Kappy's Inc., DBA Kappy's Fine Wine & Spirits, 220 Whalon Street.

Gregory Demarcus representative for Kappy's was present at the meeting. He shared with the commission that he will not be changing anything at current location.

Application was moved to a Public Hearing on Wednesday, Monday May 1, 2023.

III. PUBLIC HEARING

Application for Transfer of All Alcohol Beverages Liquor License

Krish Liquor, Inc., from E. Failte, Inc., DBA Bill Bailey's Package Store, 25 John Fitch Highway.

Commissioner Sarefield opened the public hearing at 6:50 PM. No one spoke in favor or opposition of the application. Public Hearing declared closed at 6:51 PM.

Mr. Patel advised the commission he would not be making any major changes to the existing package store, only that he will be changing the closing hours, and extending it to 9:30 PM.

Lt. Howe had no concerns.

Application approved by unanimous roll call vote 2/0.

IV. CORRESPONDANCE

V. NEW BUSINESS

Lieutenant Howe expressed some concerns with an incident that took place at Topp's Liquors located on 128 Water Street on Friday April 14th 12:52 PM.

The Commission requested a summons hearing for the Monday May 1st meeting.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Monday, May 1, 2023

The meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Joanna Bilotta, City Clerk
Approved:



Daniel Sarefield



Richard Boscardin



John Zarrella