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The License Commission held a Special Meeting on Thursday, April 30, 2015, in the 3rd Floor Conference Area at City Hall. Present were Chairman Henry Tartaglia; Commissioners Scott McDuffy and Joao DeAndrade. Also present was Sgt. Michael Dennehy and Administrative Assistant Bonnie Tucker. The meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m.

1. Hearing (postponed from meeting of April 16, 2015) on the request from Brockton Fair Caterers, Inc. – George Carney, Jr., Manager, 433 Forest Avenue, to amend the Entertainment license to include a Latin/Brazilian Concert Festival with Bull riding, Children's Entertainment, Pony rides, Disc Jockey and Live bands on Sunday, May 24, 2015, from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Present was George Carney, 7 Chilton Road, Marcello Malcher, 51 Cedar Street, Woburn, George Paretsis, 30 Daniels Street, Apt. 207, Malden, Rita Mondaivo, 500 Broadway, Marlboro, Ramona Stuver-Case, Lilly Rempel, 1559 Bay Street, Taunton.

Mr. Carney expressed his appreciation to the members for holding the Special Meeting and apologized for his lack of information concerning the event at the last meeting. He brought along the individuals who will be running the festival so they can explain exactly what is going to take place and answer any questions. Mr. Carney stated these people had run a similar event last August and there were no problems. They hired all of the police details requested by Lieut. Barry and the fire details requested by Lieut. Williams.

Mr. Carney stated that he has used another group to run the Brazilian Rodeo in the past, however, there were problems and they will not be returning. He requested to change the hours of the event from 10:00 a.m. which he realizes is too early on a Sunday morning. There will be people coming into the Fairgrounds at 10 a.m. but there will be no bands until after services at Our Lady of Lourdes are over. The music will end at 7:45 p.m.

Mr. Malcher thanked the Commission for having the special meeting. He presented packets with information and a layout of the Fairgrounds. He indicated the area designated for the pony rides will be moved over to the right. He stated this organization held an event last August 10, 2015. He has worked for Ms. Rita Mondaivo from Floripa Productions for the past twelve years and they present the best show for the Brazilian and Latin American Community. It is a family event and they have chosen the City of Brockton for their rodeo. He then presented a flyer and a schedule of events. The gates will be open at 10:00 a.m. and there will be a car expo. From 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., there will be a DJ at the small stage right in front of the grandstand. The local bands will play at the main stage from 2:30 to 3:30. The MC's and DJ's will be at the back stage near the parking lot left of the grandstand. It located in this area because it is as far away from the neighborhood as possible so as not to bother the neighbors.

Mr. Malcher stated they heard about another group who held a similar event last October which presented noise problems to the area. A police log from the August event showed only three calls and none were for disturbances or noise. He stated they are willing to

comply with any requests the Commission might have. He emphasized that this is a family cultural event for the Brazilian and Latin Community.

Commissioner DeAndrade then reviewed that the hours of the planned event are from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. He expressed concern with the Sunday services taking place at Our Lady of Lourdes which is located across the street and asked when the music would start. Mr. Malcher stated music by a DJ will start at 12 noon. He stated the DJ will be announcing the bull riding but there will be music in the background. It was suggested that the music be delayed until 1 or 1:30 p.m. in order for the Church services to be over. Mr. Malcher stated that the time of the music can be changed.

Commissioner DeAndrade then reviewed that the application states there will be approximately 4,000 people attending. He asked how the serving of the alcohol will be monitored in order to avoid serving minors or handoffs. Mr. Malcher stated that no one under 21 years of age can drink and anyone attending the event must be with someone older than 21 years of age. If anyone is seen handing alcohol off they will be expelled from the premise. Mr. Malcher stated that Mr. Carney is in charge of the alcohol and he knows what to do.

Mr. Carney stated they check everyone's IDs and most of the time there is a police officer by the stand. They have never had any problem. It was requested the plan show the locations where the beer will be sold from. Mr. Malcher marked on the plan the locations of the three stands where beer will be sold from.

Commissioner McDuffy stated that in the past there have been some issues which included people arriving very early and using their boom boxes. He indicated this has been controlled by the Police Department and this needs to continue. He was informed that the Forest Avenue, Belmont Street and West Street gates will be open. He stated that in the past there were problems with patrons of the event parking at Staples and at Shaws. Mr. Carney stated that was with another group. Mr. Carney indicated that if it is an issue, he will have someone over at Shaw's and Staples to keep the festival goers from parking there. Commissioner McDuffy indicated he wants to make sure that this is not a problem. Commissioner McDuffy then stated that there had been problems with loitering after the event was over.

Mr. Carney stated that last year Lieut. Hallisey made sure the place was cleared out immediately. Commissioner McDuffy wanted to make sure that the police do not leave until everyone is gone from the premise. Mr. Malcher stated they want to comply because they want their events to be in Brockton. Commissioner McDuffy indicated that their relationship and communication with the police is important and he does not want to see the progress that has been made go backwards.

Chairman Tartaglia then reviewed the stipulations which had previously been put in place by the Commission and requested they also be a stipulation for this event. The stipulations are as follow:

1. The gates have a set opening and closing time to be worked out between Police and Mr. Carney;
2. That there be some means of stopping the cars as they enter the Fairgrounds, to be worked out between the Police Department and Mr. Carney;
3. That two platoons of four officers are assigned to the parking lot area;
4. That secondary security should not be responsible for all of the security at the venue;
5. That the police officers stay on scene until everyone is gone; and
6. That all cars are turned off with the radios off once they are parked.

Both Mr. Carney and Sgt. Dennehy agreed to all of the stipulations read. Mr. Carney stated that the Police Officers assigned to the detail must be told they have to enforce the restrictions and if they are going to be there getting paid, then they have to do their job. Mr. Carney had stated earlier in the meeting that he had a problem with the Lieutenant in charge of the details at last year's event but has been told this will not happen again.

Chairman Tartaglia stated that is why Sgt. Dennehy is present so that there is no confusion as to what is being required.

Ms. Tucker stated that she also received complaints with regard to the people bringing coolers in and drinking at their cars. She reviewed that the Fairgrounds is the licensed premise and that if people are bringing alcoholic beverage in it is a violation of Mr. Carney's liquor license. Mr. Carney stated he does not want alcoholic being brought in and they are checked as they enter the parking lot. If any alcohol is found it is confiscated. Their name is taken and the alcohol is given back when they leave.

Chairman Tartaglia then brought up the issue with the noise and suggested to Sgt. Dennehy that a decibel meter be used to monitor the level of noise. Sgt. Dennehy indicated he will look into having one there. Chairman Tartaglia indicated they Board of Health has a monitor.

Mr. Carney asked for a clarification as to the time the music can start. It was agreed that if the Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes is at 11:30, the music can begin at 1:00 p.m. If the Mass is at 12:00 noon, the music must be delayed until 1:30 p.m. Everyone agreed to this.

Sgt. Dennehy then reviewed recommendations from the Police which are as follow:

1. There be twelve (12) police details beginning at 9:00 a.m. and will remain until everyone has left the premise;
2. The police details will be paid by the Brockton Fair Caterers;

3. The Entertainment will stop promptly at 8:00 p.m. or whatever time the Commission approves.

Mr. Malcher indicated that is exactly what they need. Mr. Carney stated it is fine with him. Ms. Tucker then asked for a contact number if there are problems during the event. Mr. Carney stated he will be on the premise during the event. Sgt. Dennehey stated that in addition to the police details, there will be License Agents at the event not being paid by the Brockton Fair Caterers.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDuffy to approve the request as amended with all of the specifications listed by the Commission and the police department. The motion was seconded by Commissioner DeAndrade and made unanimous by Chairman Tartaglia.

2. Any other business to properly come before the Commission.

A motion was made by Commissioner DeAndrade to adjourn the meeting which motion was seconded by Chairman Tartaglia and made unanimous by vote of Commissioner McDuffy.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry Tartaglia
Chairman

APPROVED:

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