

MINUTES
LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING
6:00 p.m.
Thursday, August 17th, 2023
Zoom Meeting

The License Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, August 17th, 2023 via Zoom Meeting. Present were Commissioners, Jeffrey Charnel, Robert P. Simpson, Paul Studenski, Scott D. Uhlman. Also present was License Agent Paul Bonanca.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the License Commission Meeting of July 20th, 2023.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the meeting minutes of July 20th, 2023 and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman, and a unanimous vote of the members present approved the minutes.

2. Approval of the following police officers as license agents for the month of August, 2023: Lieuts. Bonanca and David Farrell; Sgts, Christopher McDermott and Timothy Stanton; Captain William Hallisey; Dets. Erin Cummings, Jackie Congdon, Eric Clark, Santiago Cirino, Thomas Hyland, Michael Bunker, Nazaire Paul, James Cronshaw.

A motion is made by Commissioner Simpson, seconded by Commissioner Studenski and is made unanimous by vote of members present.

3. Hearing on a request from Roberts Auto Body LLC for a change in business entity to incorporate dba Robert's Auto Sales on the Used Car Dealer II license located at 954 Centre Street, Brockton, MA.

Applicant is not present. Commissioner Uhlman motions to table the item until the end of the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Studenski and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was voted to approve.

4. Hearing on a request from Sodade Restaurant, Inc., dba Sodade Restaurant for a Change of Hours on an All Alcoholic Beverage Restaurant license and an Entertainment license located at 1145 Main Street, Brockton, MA.

Applicant is not present. Commissioner Uhlman motions to table the item until the end of the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Studenski and approved by a unanimous vote of all members present.

5. Hearing on a request from Saint Theresa Maronite Church for a Special One-Day Permit to Sell Alcoholic Beverages for a Lebanese Food Festival to be held at Saint Theresa Maronite Church located at 343 North Main Street on the following dates;

September 22, 2023 from 5:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight

September 23, 2023 from 12:00 noon to 12:00 midnight

September 24, 2023 from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m.

Present is Applicant Michelle Nessralla.

This is an annual festival, three days from Friday-Sunday, consisting of food, music, dancing, and drinks. This is a fundraiser to help raise money for the church and last year the event was rained out all 3 days. Chairman Charnel opens the meeting to the public and there is no one in favor or opposition. There are no elected officials present and Chairman Charnel closes this portion of the meeting and opens it up to the Commission.

Chairman Charnel states he attended this event many times and that they do a great job. Commissioner Simpson states Deputy Chief Williams of the Fire Department's concerns for a crowd manager and vehicle protection. Applicant, Michelle, states that they have two crowd managers in place and a police detail on site. Commissioner Simpson reiterates Deputy Chief William's concerns to assure there is vehicle protection on site. The applicant states they will be using vehicles as barricades out front to protect people in the case of an accident out front. Commissioner Uhlman also adds there is a chain link fence out front for support.

Motion made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve and seconded by Commissioner Studenski. Made unanimous by vote of all members present and therefore approved.

6. Hearing on a request from Brockton Firefighters Union Local 144 for a Fundraiser for Matty's Mustache Ride to be held at Brockton Firefighters Union Local 144 located at 80 Perkins Avenue on September 2, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Present is William Bassett.

Second annual event, same as last year, using outside of their property to serve alcohol. Will be following the same sight plan and same provision in place for traffic and parking. Closed to the public event, you must buy a ticket. There were no issues at last year's event, which hosted 3-400 people. Chairman Charnel opens the meeting to the public, no one in favor or opposition and there are no elected officials present. This portion of the meeting is closed and Chairman Charnel opens this portion of the meeting up to the Commissioners for questions.

Commissioner Simpson outlines the importance of a crowd manager and vehicle protection. William states the event will be blocked off with no access to vehicles and they have multiple crowd managers on site. Ride leaves from Brockton High School at 9:00 AM. Chairman Charnel states he was in attendance last year and it is a great event. Chairman states that this is a very well rounded and organized event. Commissioner Studenski says this is a fine group of people and doing a great job.

Motion made by Commissioner Simpson and seconded by Commissioner Studenski. Upon a unanimous vote of the members present it is approved 4-0.

7. Hearing on a request from Campello Veterans Firemen's Association to serve Beer & Wine for an annual Chicken Bake to be held Campello Veterans Firemen's Union Local 144 located at 224 Clinton Street on September 9, 2023 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

No Applicant present. There was a miscommunication and the applicant could not attend although they sent a letter stating that they already have a liquor license, and they would just be wanting to host the event within their fenced in property.

No members of the public in favor and none in opposition. No elected members present. Chairman Charnel closes this portion of the meeting and opens it up to the Commissioners for discussion.

Commissioner Uhlman states they have been doing this event for years with no problems. They use barricades to protect individuals. No objection by the police department according to Lieutenant Bonanca. The Fire Department requests a crowd manager and barricades.

Motion made by Commissioner Uhlman and seconded by Commissioner Studenski. A unanimous vote of the members present approves the item.

8. Hearing on a request from Nagoya Fusion, Inc. dba Nagoya for a Change of Location from 793 Crescent Street, Brockton, MA to 776 Centre Street, Brockton, MA.

Present is Atty Jeff Graeber, and Sheina the new manager.

Attorney Jeff Graeber states that Nagoya Fusion Inc, has a current location at 793 Crescent Street and they just bought the property at 776 Centre Street. They are moving their operation from Crescent Street Location to the Centre Street location, ownership and operation is staying the same it is just change of location. There will be approximately \$120,000 put up for renovations by the Husband of the manager and his brother who will be putting the funds up, not financing renovations. Renovations are mostly appearance and they state if renovations affect any exits or

egresses they will come back before the commission. Chairman Charnel opens the meeting to the public, there is no one in favor or opposition and there are no elected officials present. Chairman Charnel closes this portion of the meeting and opens it up to the Commissioners for discussion and questions.

Commissioner Simpson asks if previous owners of the Centre Street location rented or owned. Attorney states they are renting, terminating their lease and moving locations. Chairman asks about name change, there will be none. Chairman Charnel asks about alterations in the property and states that even though one may think its cosmetic, they still may have to inform the ABCC of any changes to the property. Property was previously licensed with the ABCC. Chairman Charnel not sure if alteration of premises will apply to the license. Attorney states they would just like to move for the time being and they will have an inspection before any alterations in order to amend the license with enough time. Chairman Charnel states license should be subject to all city agencies signing off that are needed ahead of opening establishment. Commissioner Uhlman asks if they will have to submit seating plans for Common Victualer application, Attorney states they are using current seating plan and if renovations change this seating plan they will resubmit the updated floor plan.

Commissioner Uhlman is clarifying this is just a transfer of liquor license in order to see that this is possible. ABCC and Commission must be notified of renovations and updated floor plan for Common Vic application. Attorney Graeber adds that they are pledging the liquor license. Commissioner Simpson asks about inspections, asks if they have ongoing construction or inspection for purchase of the property. Attorney Graeber states that when they bought the property a city worker asked to come inspect upon purchase and again for renovations.

Chairman Charnel asks what hours of operation will be. Attorney Graeber states it will be Monday through Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. and 12:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Sunday's. Attorney Graeber states they don't typically stay open until 1:00 a.m. although this is their licensed hours so they are not changing this.

Lieutenant Bonanca states there has been a dumpster outside of the new location for months and believes there must be alterations inside and they will need an updated floor plan when they apply for a Common Vic. No other objections from Lieutenant Bonanca.

Commissioner Uhlman motions to approve with pledge of liquor license from location A to B and they will need to come before ABCC and Commission for any other changes. Seconded by Chairman Charnel and a unanimous vote of the members present, it was 4-0 and it was voted, approved.

9. Hearing on a request from 220 North Main St Realty Trust for a transfer of Lodging House license to 220 N. Main St LLC located at 220 North Main Street, Brockton, MA 02301.

Applicant not present. Synthia states that the applicant said he was already approved in February and he just needs to update the board. Applicant is sick and cannot attend this meeting. Chairman Charnel suggests postponing the meeting to the next meeting.

Chairman Charnel opens the meeting to the public, no one present. No elected officials either, Chairman Charnel closes this portion of the meeting and opens it up to the Commission.

Commissioner Simpson motions to postpone the item until the next scheduled meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Studenski and made unanimous by vote of all members present.

Item #4 is postponed until the next scheduled meeting. Motion is made by Commissioner Uhlman to move the meeting and seconded by Commissioner Simpson. Approved by unanimous vote of all members present.

Agenda Item #3 is postponed until the next regularly scheduled meeting. Motion is made by Commissioner Studenski and seconded by Commissioner Simpson. Approved by unanimous vote of all members present.

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Simpson and seconded by Commission Uhlman. Approved and made unanimous by vote of all members present.

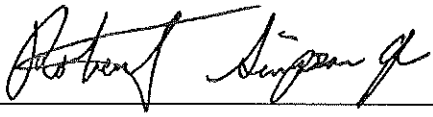
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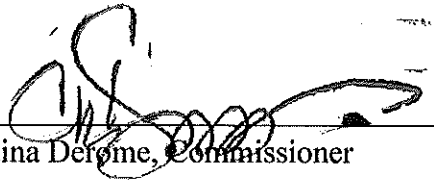


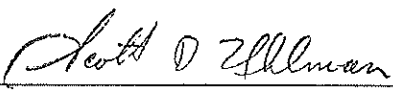
Jeffrey Charnel, Chairman

APPROVED


Paul Studenski, Commissioner


Robert Simpson, Commissioner


Christina DeFome, Commissioner


Scott D. Uhlman, Commissioner