

MINUTES

LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING

6:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 16, 2024

Via ZOOM

The License Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, May 16, 2024, via ZOOM. Present were Commissioners, Jeffrey Charnel, Robert P. Simpson, Scott D. Uhlman, Janet Landerholm. Also, present were License Agent David Farrell, Deputy Chief Williams, and Executive Assistant Silvia Carvalho.

- 1. Approval of the Minutes of the License Commission Meeting of April 18, 2024, and the Special Meeting of April 30, 2024.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the previously mentioned meeting of April 18, 2024, and the Special Meeting of April 30, 2024. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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- 2. Approval of the following police officers as license agents for the month of May 2024: Lieuts. Paul Bonanca, David Farrell, and William Schlieman; Sgts. Christopher McDermott, Timothy Stanton, and Matthew Graham; Captain John Hallisey; Dets. Eric Clark, Thomas Hyland, Donald Macmillan, James Cronshaw, Ryan Quirk, Michael Micciche.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the license agents as listed for the month of May 2024. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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- 3. Hearing on a request from TE Brockton Food, Inc., dba Sakura Japan for a Common Victualer license at 468 Pleasant Street, Brockton, MA.**

Present was no one.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to move the agenda item to the end of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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4. Hearing on a request from 65 Court Street, LLC for a Transfer of a Class II Used Car Dealers license at 65 Court Street, Brockton, MA

Present was no one.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to move the agenda item to the June 20, 2024, meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

5. Hearing on a request from New England Pro Baseball, LLC, dba New England Knockouts/Brockton Rox, Manager Kathleen McMahon makes application for an All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant, Common Victualer, and Entertainment license at 1 Feinberg Way, Brockton, MA.

Present was Ms. Kathleen McMahon of 9 Day Street, Norfolk, MA, and Mr. John Wilson of 1046 Lisbon Street, Morris, IL.

Ms. McMahon and Mr. Wilson informed the board that they updated the advertisement and the abutter notices. They will be selling beer and wine out of the main concession stand during the baseball season and they are hoping for 73 rainless games. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. Mr. Eval Silvera of 115 Cypress Drive, Brockton, MA came forward in support of the application. He stated that they are painting the dugouts, and it is a great atmosphere and he is in favor of the board granting them a permanent liquor license. He closed that portion of the meeting, and opened it up to the Commissioners.

Deputy Chief Williams stated that they have done a great job up there, and he has no objections. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department. Chairman Charnel stated that he has been up there and they run a tight ship. He informed them that they are not to serve alcohol during the high school games. He then asked them what type of entertainment they were looking for? They informed him that they would hold concerts and will work with the city if necessary.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant, Common Victualer, and Entertainment license. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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6. Hearing on a request from Saint Patrick's Parish- Mirian Porter for a Special Event Permit for a Multicultural Festival to be held at 335 Main Street on June 2, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Present was Ms. Mirian Porter of 440 Battles Farm Extension, Brockton, MA.

Ms. Porter stated that this is a welcome to summer event for the parishioners and they collaborate with groups and sing, there will be food, but no alcohol. They use the event to fundraise and raise money for the church. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners. Deputy Chief Williams had no objections and the plan was adequate. Lt. Farrell had no objections, he did look over the plan.

Chairman Charnel stated that this is an annual event, and there has never been any issues. He asked her how many people they expected? and she replied that it would be the same as last year about 78 people.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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7. Hearing on a request from George's Northern Lights, Inc. dba George's for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Eine and Malt Beverages and a Special One Day Permit for Outdoor Day Parties to be held at 228 Belmont Street on the following dates;
May 25, rain date May 26
June 1 & 29, rain dates June 2 & 30
July 6 & 27, rain dates July 7 & 28
August 10 & 31, rain dates August 11 & September 1
September 7 & 28, rain dates September 8 & 29

Present was Mr. Hamilton Rodrigues of 95 Rockland Street, Canton, MA.

Mr. Rodrigues informed the board that the May 25th event is off the list and he would like to change the June 2nd date to June 1st. Commissioner Simpson opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners. Commissioner Uhlman stated that Mr. Rodrigues knows that he is not to take alcohol from inside the establishment outside or vice versa. Deputy Chief Williams stated that there were no issues at the first event and hopefully that will carry to the next event. Lt. Farrell stated that the same recommendations should remain in place as before.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the permits for June 1 & 29, with rain dates of June 2 & 30. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present. Chairman Charnel recused himself.

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8. Hearing on a request from Brockton VFW Post for a Special Event Permit and Permission to serve alcohol outdoors for a Car Show/Burnout to be held at 283 North Quincy Street, on June 22, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Present was Mr. Robert Graham of 6 Alphonse Road, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Graham stated that this is an antique car show and burnout that is held in their parking lot. They normally hold the event in July, but they are having it early this year. As in years past they will have a police detail on the day of the event, and concrete barriers for public safety. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners. Commissioner Uhlman asked Mr. Graham how he plans on keeping alcohol away from the people doing the burnouts? He replied they will have wristbands.

They are extending alcohol service outdoors for the day and alcohol will be in plastic cups. Deputy Chief Williams had no objections from the Fire Department. There was a complaint last year that it started too early, but he believes 11:00 a.m. is fine. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department, it is an annual event.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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9. Hearing on a request from Brockton Beer Company, LLC, dba Brockton Beer Company, for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a series of Beer Garden events that include entertainment to be held. At 121 Main Street-Lot B1, on Saturdays from June 1, 2024, to September 28, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Present was Mr. Eval Silvera of 115 Cypress Drive, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Silvera stated that the event is a PROVA like event to be held with live music, and beer service using a kegerator. They would like to move the start date to June 2nd instead of June 1st. The mayor has also requested that they serve beer for the marvelous Mavin Hagler event on June 13th. They will have a barrier in the parking lot for the duration of the events. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners. Commissioner Uhlman asked Mr. Silvera if he had his Farmers Brewers license? and transport license. He replied, yes. He stated that all he needed was a Special Event license.

Deputy Chief Williams stated that it is subject to city approval and they would have to provide appropriate documentation. Lt. Farrell had no objections, he did ask him how many people they expected each night and what time the music would end? He replied 30-50 people. The music should end around 9:00-10:00 p.m. It is also subject to sign offs by city departments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the Special Event Permit, subject to permission from the city and they provide insurance. If there is an incident all future dates will be cancelled until they appear before the commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Simpson and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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10. Hearing on a request from Brockton Beer Company, LLC, dba Brockton Beer Company, and the African American Association of Brockton for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages, and a Special Event Permit for a Juneteenth Cultural Event/March to be held from Fredrick Douglass Way to Brockton Fairgrounds- 460 Belmont Street, on June 15, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Present was Ms. Cynthia and Jamie Hodges of 17 Stebbins Avenue, Brockton, MA and Mr. Eval Silvera of 115 Cypress Drive, Brockton, MA.

Ms. Hodges informed the board that they are planning a march from Fredrick Douglass Way to the Brockton Fairgrounds for a Juneteenth Celebration. There will be picnic tables set up for food and there will be entertainment. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners. Commissioner Uhlman informed Ms. Hodges that all they need is a Special Events permit, because Brockton Beer has a license to transport their own alcohol.

Deputy Chief Williams stated that the alcohol must be kept in the designated areas and should reflect the sketch given today. He does not believe there will be any crowd management issues. He suggested they speak to ISD before the event. Lt. Farrell stated that they should have two police details to escort the walkers. The paperwork must be changed to a Special Event Permit request.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the permit. The same stipulations should be followed as with the Brockton Fair. No loud music or boom boxes facing Belmont Street, no tailgating, ISD must be consulted prior to the event, and paperwork must be corrected with the License Commission and plans submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Simpson and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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11. Hearing on a request from Sunrise Steakhouse for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a 60th Birthday Party to be held at 587 Centre Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mrs. Aminah Pilgrim and Mr. Rubin Pierre of 30 Sinclair Road, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Pierre stated that it is actually a 70th Birthday Party, and they are requesting beer and wine for the event. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners. Commissioner Uhlman asked Mr. Pierre if he had applied to the state for a license? And he replied, no. He informed him that alcohol must be purchased through a certified wholesaler.

He stated that he would use the same supplier that the package store uses next door. He also asked him how many people they expected and he replied, 50-60. Deputy Chief Williams stated that it is a beautiful establishment, and there are no issues with the Fire Department. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department. It is beautiful, and hopefully they can get a liquor license soon.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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12. Hearing on a request from Sunrise Steakhouse for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a Garden Club Event to be held at 587 Centre Street, on June 8, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Present was Mrs. Aminah Pilgrim and Mr. Rubin Pierre of 30 Sinclair Road, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Pierre informed the board that he is requesting a one day license for a Garden Club event. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners. Commissioner Uhlman reminded him that alcohol must be purchased from a certified wholesaler. He informed the board that he did get a letter from Anne Beuregard in support of the event. They expect 30-40 people. Deputy Chief Williams stated that it is a great establishment and he has no issues. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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13. Hearing on a request from City Auto Center, Inc. for a Transfer of a Class II Used Car Dealers license at 800 Centre Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Julianio Dos Anjos of 29 Timber Way, Raynham, MA, and Mr. Fernando DeSouza of 330 Washington Street, Dorchester, MA.

Chairman Charnel asked Mr. Dos Anjos what was going on? He replied that he is transferring the business to Mr. DeSouza who will be running the same operation, fixing and selling cars. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners. Commissioner Uhlman asked Mr. Dos Anjos if he is transferring the license to a new owner? He replied, yes. Deputy Chief Williams inspected the location and everything looks good.

Some of the spaces overhang onto city property, cars must carry over to the MVR license. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department. Commissioner Uhlman asked Deputy Chief Williams if they must move the fence? Deputy Chief Williams stated that the fence is not the problem, but for liability reasons they should remain on their own property, and a handicapped sign must be mounted on to the building. Commissioner Uhlman stated that he has never had an issue there. Chairman Charnel stated that they have a good reputation, and the stipulations must remain the same as the previous license.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the Transfer of the Class II Used Car Dealers license. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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14. Hearing on a request from TE Brockton Food, Inc., dba Sakura Japan for a Common Victualer license at 468 Pleasant Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Lian En Shi, of 328 Commercial Street, Braintree, MA.

Mr. Shi informed the board that they have passed all their inspections. Chairman Charnel opened the meeting to the public and asked if there was anyone in favor or opposition, and if there were any elected officials that would like to be heard. He closed that portion of the meeting and opened it up to the Commissioners. Deputy Chief Williams had no objections from the Fire Department. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department. Chairman Charnel asked them how many seats? They replied 12 seats.


A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Common Victualer license for 12 seats pending all sign offs. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

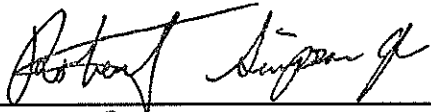
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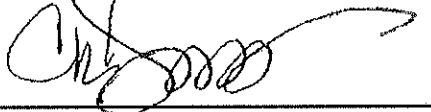


Jeffrey Charnel, Chairman

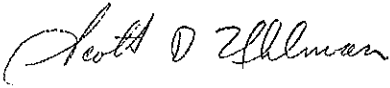
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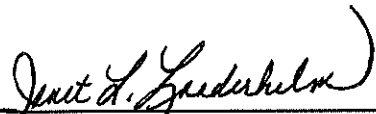
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