

MINUTES
LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING
6:00 P.M.
Thursday, July 18, 2024
Via ZOOM

The License Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, July 18, 2024, via ZOOM. Present were, Commissioners Jeffrey Charnel, Robert P. Simpson, Scott D. Uhlman, Christina Derome, and Janet Landerholm, Executive Assistant Silvia Carvalho, Lt. David Farrell, and Deputy Chief Williams.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the License Commission Meeting of June 20, 2024, and the Special Meeting of June 12, 2024.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the previously mentioned meeting of June 20, 2024, and the Special Meeting of June 12, 2024. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm 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 July 2024; Lieuts. David Farrell, and William Schlieman; Sgts. Matthew Graham, and Rich Colon; Captain John Hallisey and William Hallisey; Dets. Thomas Hyland, Ryan Quirk, Michael Micciche, George Almeida, Ernie Bell, Santiago Cirino, Tim Donahue, Joe Miranda, Matt Murphy, Shannon O' Donnell, Mike Bunker, William Devine, Matt Farrell, Frank Lopez, Gary Mercurio.

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

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3. Hearing on a request from George's Northern Lights, Inc., dba George's for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages, and a Special Event Permit for Outdoor Day Parties to be held at 228 Belmont Street on the following dates;
September 7 & 8, rain dates September 8 & 29

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

Mr. Rodrigues informed the board that this is the last event of summer. He was in front of the board last month and the August dates were not approved. He is looking to get approvals for August 10th and 31st. Commissioner Uhlman asked Mr. Rodrigues if he had secured police details for the past events? He replied that it has been hard getting police details for his events, because they do not want to cover

these types of events, and when he calls no one answers the phone. Commissioner Uhlman stated that he heard that the event ran past the allotted time and the police had to respond. Mr. Rodrigues stated that it has been difficult getting the patrons to leave, and he had to personally pull the plug on the music. Commissioner Uhlman informed Mr. Rodrigues that the music must be turned off a half hour before the close of the event. Commissioner Simpson informed Mr. Rodrigues that he is a licensed establishment and he must keep the outdoor activities separate from indoors.

Lt. Farrell stated that he had no objections and he did check the police response, everything was shut down, and attempts were made to get details. Deputy Chief Williams stated if Mr. Rodrigues would be cooking outside he would need necessary permits, there is to be no special effects, and a crowd manager must be present. Mr. Rodrigues informed the board that August 27th is a family fun day and they will be cooking inside not outdoors, and will have a bounce house. Deputy Chief Williams informed him that a bounce house is not regulated.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve August 10th and August 31st. All provisions set forth by the Deputy Chief must be adhered to, and a detail must be secured. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present. Chairman Charnel recused himself.

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4. Hearing on a request from Sunrise Steakhouse for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a series of Cultural Celebrations to be held at 587 Centre Street, on the following dates;

July 20, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

July 27, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Present was Mr. Ruben Pierre of 30 Sinclair Road, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Pierre informed the board that they are hosting events to celebrate heritage month, and they invite customers to taste different things that they serve. 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 would be using a grill? And he replied that he is an established steakhouse, and will be cooking indoors. Commissioner Uhlman asked him who he uses as a distributor? He replied Horizon.

Commissioner Landerholm asked Mr. Pierre to please state the dates again, he stated that he missed the meeting last month and some of the dates have past. Chairman Charnel informed Mr. Pierre that he is only allowed 30 a year, and it is in his best interest to apply for a full liquor license. He also informed him that once he has applied for a full liquor license, he will no longer be eligible for one day licenses.

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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A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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5. Hearing on a request from Sunrise Steakhouse for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a Poetry Series to be held at 587 Centre Street, on the following dates;
July 19, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
July 26, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Present was Mr. Ruben Pierre of 30 Sinclair Road, Brockton, MA.

6. Hearing on a request from Sunrise Steakhouse for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a Sunday Brunch Series to be held at 587 Centre Street, on the following dates;
July 21, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
July 28, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Present was Mr. Ruben Pierre of 30 Sinclair Road, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Pierre informed the board that he would like to remove July 19th and July 21st. He is no longer holding those events. He stated that he had submitted applications with August dates, and wanted to know if he could have them approved. 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.

The Commissioners asked Silvia if she had seen the applications, because they do not see August dates. Silvia informed them that she did not receive any applications with August dates, everything she did get was distributed to the board. Lt Farrell and Deputy Chief Williams had no objections.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve July 26, and July 28, August 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25. If there are any infractions all future dates will be suspended, new paperwork must be turned in. 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 Brockton Arts, Inc. for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a Film Screening Series to be held at Enso Gallery- 86 Centre Street, on the following dates;
August 2, 2024, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
September 6, 2024, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
October 4, 2024, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
November 1, 2024, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
December 6, 2024, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Present was Mr. Arnie Danielson of 603 Summer Street, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Danielson stated that Mr. Rolly Blanchette a professor is hosting a film screening and they would like to give away popcorn and candy. They expect 35-50 people, and the cap is 50. There will be a crowd manager present and they are TIPS Certified. 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 hearing and opened it up to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Uhlman asked Mr. Danielson what movie is he showing? and he replied he did not know, all he does know is that he is working with the Massasoit Film Society, and the Library. Lt. Farrell and Deputy Chief Williams had no objections.

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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8. Hearing on a request from Fiesta Shows for a Special Event Permit for a Brockton High School Carnival to be held at 470 Forest Avenue, on the following dates;

July 31, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

August 1, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

August 2, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

August 3, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

August 4, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Present was Mr. John Flynn of 32 Stard Road, Seabrook, NH.

Mr. Flynn informed the board that they are a traditional carnival company with rides and games looking to host a carnival at Brockton High School. They would like to modify the hours of operation from a 11:00 p.m. closing to 10:00 p.m., and start time of 5:00 p.m. July 31st to August 2nd. There will be private security, as well as police details, admission will be charged at the entrance, and bags will be checked. They event is similar to other events they have held at the Westgate Mall in the past.

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 stated that he met with the sponsor of the event and went over the sketch of where it will be, which is the BHS parking lot. They did send over the emergency plan as well. Two firefighters are to be on duty when they are open to the public. Lt. Farrell stated that they must have 3 police officers from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., and 2 police officers from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Chairman Charnel asked them if an ambulance must be present for the duration of the event? and Deputy Chief Williams stated that the firefighters on duty will suffice. Chairman Charnel asked Mr. Flynn if the state inspects the rides? And he replied yes, the Department of Public Safety comes out on opening day, they are also inspected by the city, building, health, and electrical. School Committee member Tony Rodrigues of 18 Cushing Road, Brockton, came forward in favor of the applicant. His non-profit organization the Brockton Buccuneers Football Group is hosting the event at Brockton High School,

and he hopes that the proceeds will be accepted as a donation to the Brockton Education Foundation, so that it will benefit the Brockton Public Schools.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the permit with the amended hours, and the stipulations set forth by Fire and Police, and all city sign-offs. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present. Commissioner Landerholm recused herself.

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9. Hearing on a request from the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a Greek Food Festival to be held at 457 Oak Street, on the following dates;
September 19, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
September 20, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.
September 21, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.
September 22, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Present was No one.

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

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10. Hearing on a request from MGC Auto Sales, Inc., to amend a parking plan on an existing Class II Used Car Dealers license at 772 North Main Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Claudinei Oliveira and Sara Fonseca of 5 Park Street, Rockland, MA.

Mr. Oliveira and Ms. Fonseca informed the board that they would like to change the way they park cars on the lot, the way it is now is not working for them. 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 stated that he went out here today and the measurements on the drawing are not acceptable, and are not drawn to scale.

He did give them a list of things they need to do, including placing a HP sign on the building. They have a dumpster that is taking up a lot of space, and that needs to be addressed. They need to have someone measure the space and have the lines drawn properly. The spaces should be 9x18 and the HP, should be 10x18. Deputy Chief Williams informed the board that this originally came in as a Quality of life complaint, they had too many cars crammed into a 180 sq. foot space. They must have an engineered plan drawn to scale. Lt. Farrell stated that everything was covered he could not tell if there was enough space.

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

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11. Hearing on a request from 1637 Main Street Realty Partners, LLC to amend a parking plan on an existing Class II Used Car Dealers license at 1637 Main Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Jeremy De Barros of 177 Braemoore Road, Brockton, MA.

Mr. De Barros informed the board that he is trying to amend an existing parking plan, and that he plans on selling the business. The plan that he submitted changes the number of cars from 13 to 23 as it was originally. 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 Ullman asked Mr. De Barros which plan he should be looking at because each one has a different total. Mr. De Barros apologized and stated it should be 24.

Deputy Chief Stated that he approved the plan and it is the one that is stamped by the engineer. He stated that he has been working with them to get a plan that works. He measured the spaces and it all fits. The dumpster on the corner of Main and Sylvia Avenue must be fenced in per city ordinance. Mr. DeBarros stated that he does not have a dumpster, maybe it was there while they were working on the building. Chairman Charnel stated that the plan is fine.

A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the amended plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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12. Hearing on a request from the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a Greek Food Festival to be held at 457 Oak Street, on the following dates;
September 19, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
September 20, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.
September 21, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.
September 22, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Present was Mrs. Paula Tsitsopoulos of 457 Oak Street, Brockton, MA.

Mrs. Tsitsopoulos informed the board that this is their annual food festival, which has been held for over 30 years. They share their culture and food in efforts to raise money for the church, and play background music during the day, and live music on the weekend. They will have a crowd manager present and police details. NE Electric will be used for extra parking during 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. Deputy Chief Williams had no objections, and Lt. Farrell stated that he had no objections and police detail is required.

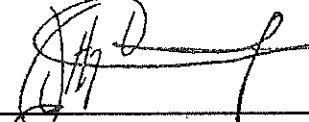
A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to approve the permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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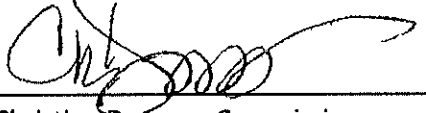


Jeffrey Charnel, Chairman

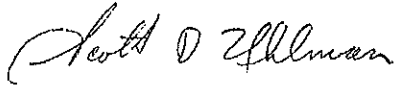
APPROVED



Robert P. Simpson, Commissioner



Christina Derome, Commissioner



Scott D. Uhlman, Commissioner