

MINUTES
LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING
6:00 P.M.
Thursday, December 19, 2024
Via ZOOM

The License Commission held its regular monthly meeting on Thursday, December 19, 2024, via ZOOM. Present were, Commissioners Jeffrey Charnel, Robert P. Simpson, Scott D. Uhlman, Janet Landerholm, Christina Derome, Katrice Gerald, Executive Assistant Silvia Carvalho, Lt. David Farrell, and Deputy Chief Williams.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the License Commission Meeting of November 21, 2024.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the previously mentioned meeting of November 21, 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 December 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, Chris Perez, Derek Salamone.

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

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3. Hearing on a request from Signature Healthcare for a Special Event Permit for a Champions Fighting Cancer Walk to be held from Brockton High School to Signature Healthcare to be held on May 4, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Present was Ms. Valerie Flynn of 23 Sylvia Avenue, Brockton, MA.

Ms. Flynn informed the board that this is an annual event and they have held in the city for the last 25 years. There will be a rolling start with no street closures, starting at Brockton High School and ending at Signature Healthcare on Centre Street. They have raised four million dollars for the cause and will be working with a party rental company to obtain the propane permit.

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. Deputy Chief Williams had no objection, it is an annual event. Lt. Farrell stated that they are working with Captain Porcarro on public safety. Chairman Charnel informed the board that they do great work!

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

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4. Hearing on a request from Soiree District for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a fundraising Event to be held at 1274 Main Street, on December 20, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Present was Mr. David Vincent of 37 Barry Street, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Vincent stated that he is the owner of the business lounge and they provide professional entrepreneurs a place to meet where they can have business mixers at night. He was recently approached by Tony Rodrigues to host a fundraiser for his campaign and would like to have his supporters come to his space. The event is from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., and they are requesting a one-day liquor license to serve his constituents.

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 stated that when he went by the location it says it is a cell phone store and a donut shop. Chairman Charnel replied, that the cell phone shop is gone, and he is in that space now. Mr. Vincent stated that they are trying to be like Panera and Starbucks, a hybrid work location.

Commissioner Simpson informed him that he must purchase the alcohol from a certified wholesaler and asked him if he has one lined up? Deputy Chief Williams stated that he went there yesterday, and it is not designed as an assembly space, but for this event with 70 attendees it should be fine. It must be limited to that number. 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 Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present with Commissioner Landerholm voting in the negative.

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5. Hearing on a request from HMI Promz, News/Downstairs Café, for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a 4th Anniversary of the Radio/TV station to be held at 1 Centre Street, on December 20, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

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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6. Hearing on a request from Brockton Arts, Inc., for a Special One Day Permit to Sell All Alcoholic Beverages for an Artists Reception to be held at the Enso Gallery- 86 Centre Street, on January 4, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Present was Mr. Rolly Blanchette of 89 W. High Street.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm 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 All Alcoholic Beverages for a Film Night to be held at Enso Gallery- 86 Centre Street, on January 10, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Present was Mr. Rolly Blanchette of 89 W. High Street.

Mr. Blanchette stated the first event is an art reception and they will be providing charcuterie refreshments and beer and wine for the guests. The second event is a movie night where they expect 15-20 people, they put down 40-50 seats on the application. The beer and wine will be given to the guests, it is promotional event to get people to see the gallery. 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. Blanchette what movie they were showing? He replied, an Alan Ladd movie, it caters to an older audience. The Commissioner also asked him why they do not have local producers participate? He stated that they are trying to collaborate with Massasoit Community College to bring in some of the local producers to their facility. Deputy Chief Williams had no objections, they always do a good job. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department.

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

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8. Hearing on a request from Venue 727, LLC for a Change of Hours on an All Alcoholic Beverages General on Premises license at 340 Warren Avenue, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Joao Andrade of 340 Warren Avenue, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Andrade stated that he is requesting a change in his hours of operation from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m., many of his customers are requesting a 2:00 a.m. closing for their 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 hearing and opened it up to the Commissioners. Commissioner Uhlman asked Mr. Andrade if they have a 2:00 a.m.? Deputy Chief Williams had no objections as long as they stay within the rules. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department. Chairman Charnel stated that 2:00 a.m., licenses are usually given.

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

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9. Hearing on a request from Dr. Ellie Paris, LLC for a Common Victualer license at 278 Main Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Dr. Ellie Paris of 278 Main Street, Brockton, MA.

Dr. Paris stated that she has opened a social impact book store in downtown Brockton, catering to education and community building. She is a college professor and she would like to help those aspiring to read and to invest in education. She is honored to be in the city and everyone has been very supportive. They would like to serve ice cream, juices, grilled cheese sandwiches, etc. 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 inspected the location prior to the opening, and fourteen seats would be the max for that space. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Common Victualer license with fourteen seats maximum. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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10. Hearing on a request from Sunrise Steakhouse, LLC dba Sunrise Steakhouse, Manager- Ruben Pierre makes application for an All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant, and Entertainment license at 587 Centre Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Ruben Pierre of 33 Sinclair Road, Brockton, MA.

Mr. Ruben stated that he is seeking approval to provide entertainment and to host live Jazz music Friday through Saturday. His restaurant is upscale and they would like to get a full liquor license, so they can offer a full range of beverage options. He would also like to apply for outdoor seating, so they can provide a unique experience. 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 Simpson asked Mr. Pierre if he has a patio area? He replied, yes, they have the space to place seating outdoors. Deputy Chief Williams stated that he has no objections to the interior, he is not sure that the outdoors is built to code. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department, it is a

very nice restaurant. Chairman Charnel informed Mr. Pierre that he must turn in all documentation to the License Commission. Commissioner Uhlman informed Mr. Pierre that he is no longer eligible for one-day licenses, it is forbidden by statute.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant, and Entertainment license provided all documentation has been turned in to the License Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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11. Hearing on a request from 500 Cars, LLC, for a Transfer of a Class II Used Car Dealers license at 8 Montello Street, Brockton, MA.

Present was Mr. Elchin Pashayev of 212 Arborton Way, Burlington, MA, and Mr. Movlan Aliyev of 52 Ridgewood Road, Milton, MA.

Mr. Pashayev had one of the managers assist him due to a language barrier. Mr. Aliyev informed the board that Mr. Pashayev signed a lease at 8 Montello Street, and has acquired a bond and has turned in all documentation to the License Commission. They would like to sell second hand vehicles in the spaces allowed. 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. Nessen what is happening now?

Mr. Nessen replied, that he is leasing his property located at 8 Montello Street to a new tenant. The other tenant did not make it. Commissioner Uhlman informed him that the parking is not correct. Deputy Chief Williams stated that the parking plan is not the same as May 2023, and he had an extensive conversation about making changes. Lt. Farrell had no objections from the Police Department. Chairman Charnel stated that there have been many transfers at that location, is it the place or the people? Mr. Nessen stated that the last person that was in there was never there, the one before them was there for five to six years. He found this person and he sounds professional.

He does not want to see the building empty and would like them to operate a clean business. Chairman Charnel asked him if he has any experience selling cars? He replied, eight years in his country and eight months here in America. The Chairman also asked him if he will be hiring staff? he replied one salesman, two detail guys, and himself. Commissioner Uhlman thanked Mr. Nessen, he never had any problems with him. Chairman Charnel stated that he wants businesses to be successful.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the Transfer of the Class II Used Car Dealers license based on the plan from the prior transfer. 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 HMI Promz, News/Downstairs Café, for a Special One Day Permit to Sell Wine and Malt Beverages for a 4th Anniversary of the Radio/TV station to be held at 1 Centre Street, on December 20, 2024, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Present was Mr. Claude Bellevue of 248 Austin Street, Hyde Park, MA.

Mr. Bellevue informed the board that this is the 4th anniversary of his radio/tv station and he would like to have a license to sell liquor at the event. He is in the process of opening the location. 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 board informed Mr. Bellevue that All Alcohol is not allowed unless he is a non-profit. Deputy Chief stated that he has a few rooms in the basement that need improvement, and not everything has been corrected. He has until December 23, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. to get it all done. He is requesting 35 people and that is a once in a lifetime on Christmas eve event, so that is ok. Chairman Charnel stated that he is ok with it as long as Deputy Chief Williams says it is. He informed him that he must purchase his alcohol from a certified wholesaler.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the permit subject to final approval from the Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhlman and made unanimous by vote of the members present with Chairman Charnel voting in the negative.

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13. Renewal of All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurants.

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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A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the renewal of All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant licenses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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14. Renewal of Wine and Malt Restaurants

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. 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 Simpson to approve the renewal of Wine and Malt Restaurant licenses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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15. Renewal of All Alcoholic General On-Premise

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

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A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the renewal of All Alcoholic General On-Premise licenses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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16. Renewal of All Alcohol Package Store

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

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A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the renewal of All Alcohol Package Store licenses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landerholm and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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17. Wine and Malt Package Stores

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

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A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the renewal of Wine and Malt Package Store licenses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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18. All Alcoholic Clubs

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. 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 Simpson to approve the renewal of All Alcoholic Club licenses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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19. Famer Brewery Pouring Permit.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to approve the renewal of the Famer Brewery Pouring Permit. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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20. Common Victualer licenses

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. 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 Simpson to approve the renewal of Common Victualer licenses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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21. Licenses to Sell Second Hand Motor Vehicles (Class I and II)

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. 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 Simpson to approve the renewal of Class I and II Used Car Dealer licenses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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22. Licenses for Class III Motor Vehicle Junk Dealer (Class III)

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. 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 Simpson to approve the Class III Motor Vehicle Junk Dealer (Class III) licenses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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23. Lodging House Licenses

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. 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 Simpson to approve the renewal of Lodging House licenses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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24. Entertainment Licenses

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. 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 Simpson to approve the renewal of Entertainment licenses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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25. Automatic Amusement Device Licenses

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. 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 Simpson to approve the renewal of Automatic Amusement Device licenses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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26. Late Night Business Permits

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. 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 Simpson to approve the renewal of Late Night Business Permits. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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27. Marijuana License Renewals

A motion was made by Commissioner Simpson to take the agenda items collectively. 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 Simpson to approve the renewal of Marijuana licenses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Derome and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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28. Set fee for a new license class (Farmer Brewery Pouring Permit) and address future License Commission Fees and Late Fees.

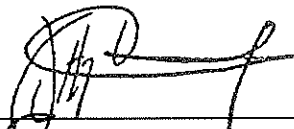
A motion was made by Commissioner Uhlman to set the fee for the Farmer Brewery Permit at \$1,500 and to place the License Commission Fees and Late Fees as old business on the January agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Simpson and made unanimous by vote of the members present.

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

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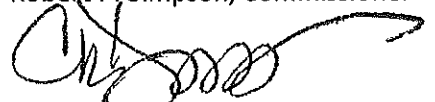
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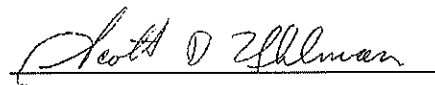


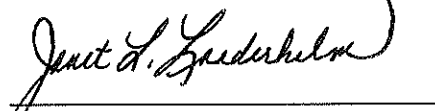
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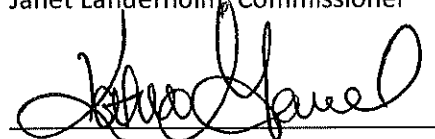
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