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MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Salem Licensing Board was held on Monday, **November 28, 2016** at 6:45 p.m., at City Hall Annex, 120 Washington Street in the third-floor meeting room. In attendance: Members Paul Flores and Rick Lee, Clerk of the Board, Melissa Pagliaro and Special Investigator, Det. Sgt. Gaudet. Absent was Chairman Bob St. Pierre.

1. Application for various Street Performers Licenses. Applicants: James Manahan and Joel Richardson.

No applicants were present.

2. Application for a One Day Liquor License for December 17, 2016 from 9:30pm-12:30am for 323 people at 9 Chestnut Street, for a Holiday Dance. Applicant: Hamilton Hall.

Robin Perry from Hamilton Hall presented the application. Ms. Pagliaro said that all the paperwork was in order. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Mr. Lee seconded. Motion carries.

3. Application to amend an Entertainment License. Applicant: PLAV, Daniels Street.

Mike Sosnowski, manager presented the application. He said that the club would like to add live Entertainment to their existing license. Mr. Lee asked what he was looking to add. Mike said they would like to add a two-piece amplified band. Mr. Flores said he remembers some issue with noise there a couple of years ago, Sgt. Gaudet said there is always a potential issue when you add amplified music. Mike said he wasn't aware of any past noise issues and that he just wants to do things legally so they are right. Sgt. Gaudet said there were a couple of complaints about the PLAV last year. Mike said he wasn't aware and the outgoing lodge officers said there weren't any issues. Sgt. Gaudet said there were 3 incidents, he said it was nothing he had to bring before the Board, he just wanted Mike to be aware and he recommends a trial basis on the live music pending there are no complaints. Ms. Pagliaro said the end hours on all licenses unless they have been changed by the Board is 12:30am. Mr. Flores motioned to approve up to a two-piece live band from 4-12:30 am. Mr. Lee seconded. Motion carries.

4. Application for a One Day Liquor License for December 2, 2016 from 7-10pm for 100 people at Old Town Hall for a Private Party. Applicant: Phil Wyman.

Phil Wyman presented the application. He said it is kind of a sendoff party for him as he will soon be traveling. He said NS Bartending will be pouring for the event. Ms. Pagliaro said that all the paperwork was in order. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Mr. Lee seconded. Motion carries. Application for (2) One Day Liquor Licenses both for Salem Cinema at East India Mall on 12/8 from 7-11pm for 75 people and on 12/15 from 7-11pm for 75 people. Applicant: North Shore Bartending.

George McCabe presented the applications. Ms. Pagliaro said that all of the paperwork was in order. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Mr. lee seconded. Motion carries.

6. Application for a One Day Liquor License for High Rock North Shore on 12/3 from 6-10pm for and Art Show and Fundraiser at 57 Wharf Street for 300 people over the course of the event.

Aaron, the lead pastor at the Church presented the application. He said the event is an Art Show Concert at Ames Hall at the YMCA. Mr. Lee asked if they have arranged for a detail. Aaron said they had. Mr. Lee motioned to approve. Mr. Flores seconded. Motion carries.

7. Application for a sub licensee Fortuneteller License at Omen, Essex Street, Applicant: Christine Lenihan.

Tim Regan, Manager presented the application. He said they are just looking to add another reader for the store. Mr. Lee motioned to approve pending CORI check. Mr. Flores seconded. Motion carries.

8. Application for a Transfer of an Annual All Alcohol Liquor License and an Entertainment License, currently Fantasy Island, Inc. to Yuan's Bistro, Inc. d/b/a Fantasy Island Restaurant, 516 Loring Ave.

Attorney Kenneth Shutzer and Applicant Karen Lin presented the application. Attorney Shutzer said they are before the Board to get an approval for a Transfer of the Annual All Alcohol License. Mr. Lee asked what changes would take place. Attorney Shutzer said there would be none that it is a change of ownership and everything will stay the same and that goes for the Entertainment too. Mr. Lee motioned to approve. Mr. Flores seconded. Motion carries.

9. Application for a Change of Location and a Transfer of an Annual All Alcohol License currently Yucker's Bright Spot, 96-96 ½ North Street to Salem Flatbread, LLC, 311 Derby Street.

Attorney Jill Mann and Peter Brown presented the application. Attorney Mann said as the Board knows they were here not long ago to apply for a Seasonal License for the Derby Street restaurant. She said they have a deal to Transfer the License form Leslies Retreat on North Street to their location. Mr. Lee motioned to approve. Mr. Flores seconded. Motion carries.

10. Application for a Class III Dealers License at 15 Robinson Road. Applicant: 15 Robinson Road, LLC.

Michael Weiss presented the application. Mr. Flores asked if this was the Hutchinson old land. Michael said that it was and that he will run it in the same manner. Mr. Lee asked if it was still junk cars. Michael said that it was. Mr. Flores said he thought it as cars, junk and landscaping. Michael said it will just be junk cars. Sgt. Gaudet asked if he would be collecting scrap metal. Michael said if he can. Sgt. Gaudet warned that will attract all kinds of business and told Michael to be sure he is checking ID's, copying them and keeping the appropriate logs. Mr. Lee motioned to approve. Mr. Flores seconded. Motion carries. 11. Vote of the Board to renew all 2017 licenses including, Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment, Auto Amusements, Class I, II and III Dealers, Lodging Houses & Inns.

Mr. Lee asked if anyone left in the public gallery would like to speak. From the public, Shawn Pike from 51 Lafayette Street, Derby Lofts said he would like to oppose the renewal of Murphy's License on record. He said there have been big enforcement issues with Murphy's Pub and he wants to make his position clear to the Board. Mr. Lee said that the record would reflect his opposition. Sgt. Gaudet said that the PD is working on binders to give to the dispatchers to get a better control over calls for complaints. Shawn said that they have had percussion and amplified music on the outdoor patio. He said they have given up on calling the police department. He said he has talked to Sgt. Gaudet. Sgt. Gaudet asked if when he did call the station if he requested someone to come to his unit and listen. Mr. Pike said he did. Sgt. Gaudet asked if Shawn could provide him with some dates of those times so he could check the tapes. Shawn said that the last officer he spoke to said that if they get a call and drive by and it sounds ok they keep going. Sgt. Gaudet said he needs to give the dispatchers his address so they will come to him. Shawn said they had the windows soundproof and they can still hear the noise. He said there was a meeting in the Mayor's Office and one of the Officer's claim was that I purchased a home next to a bar. Sgt. Gaudet again suggested that when he calls to give his address, not Murphy's address. Sgt. Gaudet told him to keep calling otherwise there is no record. He said that at one point he gave Shawn his card but never heard anything after that. Shawn said they stopped calling because the Police aren't doing anything. Carrie Solinger also lives with Shawn Pike at 51 Lafayette Street. Carrie said she is a recent breast cancer survivor and is still very fatigued. She said the disturbance from next door makes it impossible to get any real rest at night. Katherine Robinson, Chair of the Board, for Derby Lofts said that there are 54 units there and that these are not new problems. She said this situation has gone on for years and years. She said she is here to speak for the body. She said these are people's homes and they get blamed for living there. She said there have been people that have broken the doors to the building. She said the attitude is that they chose to live here so its our problem. She said 5 years ago, there was a meeting that even the Chief at the time came to. She said it was 8:30 at night and you could hear the noise. She said they just want them to turn the bass down and not be accosted by employees. She said as the Chair she has to speak up and do something. Sgt. Gaudet said there is some type of disconnect here because there have been no calls so it was assumed there weren't any problems. Katherine said we gave up because there was no action being taken. Sgt. Gaudet said there is always something generated when a call is made. Mr. Lee said if the problems are continuing than they need to call the station. Mr. Lee motioned to approve renewals for 2017, all classes of licenses and note on the record that 3 residents of Derby Lofts opposed the license renewal for Murphy's located at 300 Derby Street, Mr. Flores seconded. Motion carries.

12. Old/New Business: NONE

13. Approval of Meeting Minutes from Special Meeting held on November 17, 2016.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve the minutes. Mr. Flores seconded. Motion carries.

14. Adjournment

Mr. Flores motioned to adjourn. Mr. Lee seconded.

Melissa Pagliaro Clerk of the Board

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