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MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Salem Licensing Board was held on Monday, **July 25, 2016** at 6:45 p.m., at City Hall, 120 Washington Street in the third floor meeting room. In attendance: Chairman Bob St. Pierre, Member Paul Flores, Clerk of the Board, Melissa Pagliaro and Special Investigator, Det. Sgt. Gaudet. Absent was Member Rick Lee.

AGENDA

- 1. Application for various Street Performers Licenses. Applicants: Jacob Pini, Sean McGough, Haley McGough, Gandiva Lawrence, Samantha Mahoney, Paul Findlen, Brenda Snyder, Bruce Malley and Margaret McGilvray.
 - Gandiva Lawrence and Brenda Snyder did not attend to be approved. Sgt. Gaudet said there have been issues with performers staying in one spot for two long and registering complaints. He said it can be a distraction for business owners and asked that performers moved locations every 20 minutes or so. Mr. Flores asked if they all read and signed the rules and regulations. Applicants said that they did. Mr. Flores reminded them that there is no amplification allowed. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.
- 2. Application for a Blanket Entertainment License for Heritage Days August 5 14, 2016. Applicant: Ellen Talkowsky.
 - Ms. Pagliaro presented the application for Ms. Talkowksy. The request was for several 2016 Heritage Day events throughout the City. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.
- 3. Application for a sub licensee Fortunetelling License at Crow Haven Corner at 125 Essex Street. Applicant: Courtney Shepatin.
 - No one was present to have the application approved.
- 4. Application for a Renewal of a Store Fortunetelling License. Applicant: The Coven's Cottage, Essex Street.
 - Nicole Ball, one of the owners, presented the application. She said she is seeking approval to have her Store Fortunetelling License renewed. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

5. Application for an Entertainment License. Applicant: Rockafellas, 231 Essex Street.

Kevin Marciano, owner, presented that application. He requested his current license be amended to add two small outdoor patio speakers for background music out front of the establishment. Mr. St. Pierre asked if there had been any issues with the public. Sgt. Gaudet said someone did have a complaint and he went and spoke to Mr. Marciano. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

6. Application for an Entertainment License. Applicant: Congress Street Café, Congress Street.

Bill Gateman was present to present the application. He said that he would like to have some jazz brunches and a DJ and some live music. There was some concern about the outdoor speakers by the Board. Mr. gateman said there are two there now. The Board asked to hold off on those two outdoor speaker for now. They approved Television, Radio, CD's and a live band, up to 5 pieces, inside only. Application for an Entertainment License. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

Applicant: Notch Tap Room, Derby Street.

Chris Lohring presented the application for an Entertainment License and an Automatic Amusement License. He said he is requesting an amplified stereo system for inside only and an Automatic Amusement License for a skee-ball machine. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

8. Application for an Entertainment License. Applicant: Aurora Vietnamese Cuisine, 140 Washington Street.

Todd Stacy presented the application. He said they are requesting some live acoustic music only. He said it would never be more than two pieces. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

9. Application for Special One Day Entertainment License for a DJ. Applicant: Flying Saucer Pizza, Sunday, July 31, 2016, 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Lappin Park.

Nicole Spirito from Flying Saucer and Chris from Creative Salem presented the application. Nicole said this is for a DJ from 7-9 pm for a Pokémon Go event. She said it is a family oriented event and the DJ is to give people instructions and make it fun. She said the event is from 1-9 pm but the Entertainment license is being requested for just two of those hours.

10. Application for a Transfer of an All Alcohol License and Entertainment License at 62 Wharf Street. Applicant: J. FLO, LLC.

Attorney Atkins and Geoffery Floramo presented the application. Attorney Atkins said that Mr. Floramo has extensive restaurant experience. He said his family own Floramos's in Chelsea. He said that he submitted a complete application except for the final lease which he is waiting on from Mr. Rockett. He said he should have that within a day or two. Mr. Flores motioned to approve pending the rest of the needed paperwork. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

Attorney Atkins also requested the Entertainment License and said that it would remain the same that is there now which consists of Television and Radio. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

11. Application to add a Cordials /Liqueurs Permit to existing Wine & Malt License. Applicant: SMN, Inc. d/b/a Firenze Trattoria, Lynde Street. (continued from June 20th meeting)

Zamir Kociaj presented the application. He said they would like to add a few drinks to their menu which is why they are applying for a Cordials& liqueurs permit, mostly after dinner drinks. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

12. Application for an Alteration of Premise. Applicant: Village Tavern, Museum Place Mall.

Andrew Ingemi presented the application. He said they are going to remove an existing exit that was previously approved by the building department to add 2 skee ball machines and wants to eventually add a hearth room as well as more games. Mr. Flores asked if he had all the necessary department approvals to do the alteration he wants. He said he can't do more without it being approved. Andrew said he does not have all the approvals he needs yet. Chairman St. Pierre said that he needs all paperwork and approvals to do the work he wants to do before the Department can send the paperwork into the State. Mr. Flores motioned to approve contingent upon all the appropriate department approvals and paperwork. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

- 13. Communications: None
- 14. Old/New Business:

Sgt. Gaudet said that here was a complaint regarding Bistro 118 from June 19th. He said that he investigated it and that it was unfounded. He said that he then received a call from the manager of the Naumkeag Ordinary stating him he knew what happened at the restaurant and had a name of one of the involved parties. Sgt. Gaudet said he called the man but has not been able to speak with him. He said there are no police reports or no ambulance reports so it makes it a bit difficult to track exactly what happened. He said the same complainant had an issue with the noise levels from the establishment as well. Sgt. Gaudet said that he has been watching it and has spoken to Frandy and the DJ a couple of times about turning down the volume. The issue seems to be when the front door is opened. Sgt. Gaudet suggested that Frandy is called into the next meeting to discuss the entertainment.

Ms. Pagliaro said there was a call regarding cars being sold at All Star on Boston Street.

- 15. Approval of Meeting Minutes from June 20, 2016. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. The motion carries.
- 16. Adjournment: Mr. Flores motioned to adjourn. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. The motion carries.

Melissa Pagliaro Clerk of the Board

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