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A meeting of the Salem Licensing Board was held on Monday, April 24, 2017 at 6:45 p.m., at City Hall Annex, 120 Washington Street in the third-floor meeting room. In attendance: Chairman, Robert St. Pierre, Members Paul Flores and Rick Lee, Clerk of the Board, Melissa Pagliaro and Special Investigator, Det. Sgt. Gaudet.

1. Application for a Street Performers License. Applicant: Brian Fanning.
Applicant was not present.
2. Application for a Sub Licensee Fortunetelling License for New England Magic at 131 Essex Street, #3. Applicant: Paul R. Burns.
Chairman St. Pierre asked Paul what he was looking for. Paul said that he would like to work as a reader at New England Magic. Mr. Flores motioned to approve pending the results of the CORI. Mr. Lee seconded. Chairman St. Pierre said the motion carries.
3. Application for a Sub Licensee Fortunetelling License for Crow Haven Corner at 125 Essex Street. Applicant: Jodi L. Ventura.
Applicant was not present.
4. Application for a Sub Licensee Fortunetelling License for Coven's Cottage at 190 Essex Street. Applicant: Jennifer Spinelli.
Applicant was not present.
5. Application for a Sub Licensee Fortunetelling License for HEX at 246 Essex Street. Applicant: Laura Broderick.
Kim, the manager for the Store presented the application. She said that they are looking for Laura to be a reader at the Store. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Mr. Lee seconded. Chairman St. Pierre said the motion carries.
6. Application for a Sub Licensee Fortunetelling License for HEX at 246 Essex Street. Applicant: Julie Bednarski.
Kim, the manager for the Store presented the application. She said that they are looking for Julie to be a reader at the Store. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Mr. Lee seconded. Chairman St. Pierre said the motion carries.
7. Application for Entertainment License for Brodies Seaport. Withdrawal of previous application for outdoor live music. Amend Application for Weekday Entertainment License to allow outdoor speakers on outdoor patio. Applicant: Brodies Seaport, 215 Derby Street.

Continued to the meeting on May 8th.

8. Application for a One Day Liquor License. Applicant: Historic Salem Inc., for their Annual Meeting on May 5 from 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. at the Salem Five Community Room for 100 people.

Ania Wilchinski presented the application. She said it is a small reception for their Annual Meeting. Chairman St. Pierre confirmed they were a nonprofit. Mr. Flores motioned to approve and waive the fee. Mr. Lee seconded. Chairman St. Pierre said the motion carries.

9. Application for a One Day Liquor License. Applicant: Salem State University for an Outdoor Concert Alumni Event on June 3 from 6 – 9:00 p.m. on the North Campus Quad for 400 people.

No one was available to be present. Ms. Pagliaro presented the application and said that all of the required paperwork is in order and they will use their own security. Mr. Flores motioned to approve and waive the fee. Mr. Lee. Seconded. Chairman St. Pierre said the motion carries

10. Application for a One Day Liquor License. Applicant: Salem Arts Association for an Art Exhibit Opening Reception on May 5, 2017 from 5 – 8:00 p.m. at 211 Bridge Street for 50 people.

Mary Best presented the application. She said it is a small event for about 50 people for Beer & Wine. Mr. Flores motioned to approve and waive the fee. Mr. Lee. Seconded. Chairman St. Pierre said the motion carries.

11. Application for five (5) One Day Liquor Licenses. Applicant: Salem Council on Aging for Pizza Parties on May 11, July 13, August 10, September 14, and October 12 all from 4 – 7 p.m. at Broad Street for about 100 people and One for the Holiday Party on December 13 for a Holiday Party from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. for 100 people.

Ms. Pagliaro presented the application. She said that these are for the Council on Aging for Pizza Parties and one is for a Holiday Party all of them to be held at the Broad Street location. Mr. Flores motioned to approve and waive the fee. Mr. Lee. Seconded. Chairman St. Pierre said the motion carries.

12. Application for a Change of Manager. Applicant: Flying Saucer Pizza Co., 118 Washington Street.

Steve Feldman, owner and Mandi Marcotte, proposed manager presented the application. Chairman St. Pierre asked if Mandi had any experience. Mandi said she has been at The Flying Saucer for about 4 years and she is current on her TIPS certification. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Mr. Lee seconded. Chairman St. Pierre said the motion carries.

13. Application for an Alteration of Premise. Applicant: Salem Flatbread, LLC, 311 Derby Street.

Attorney Jill Mann presented the application along with manager Peter Brown. She said Flatbread is going to take over the entire space at the Derby Street location. She said they are going to use it to add a bowling alley and the outdoor back area for a small patio. Chairman St. Pierre asked if they have acquired all of the needed building permits and asked about the number of lanes. Attorney Mann said they have and it will be a four lane. Mr. Brown said the hours would not be changing. Chairman St. Pierre asked if there have been any complaints. Sgt. Gaudet said there are none that he knows of. Mr. Brown said they will be connecting the Harbor walk out back as well and they would like to do some landscaping out front at some point as well. Mr. Flores motioned to approve the Alteration of Premise. Mr. Lee seconded. Chairman St. Pierre said the motion carries.

14. Application for a Transfer of a Common Victuallers License. Applicant: Pizzeria Trio, Inc. d/b/a Pizzeria Trio, 100 Boston Street, currently Roasted Peppers.

Charles Rawlins presented the application. He said that everything will be operated as it is now, they are just changing the name. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Mr. Lee seconded. Chairman St. Pierre said the motion carries.

15. Application for a Transfer of an Annual All Alcohol License. Applicant: JPLCWR, LLC. 2 Bridge Street, currently Kastrinakis, Inc. d/b/a The Black Lobster.

Leonard Caffrey and partner Jimmy Piermonte presented the application. He said he has been in the restaurant business for 32 years and was the GM at the 99 Restaurant for over 20 years. Chairman St. Pierre pointed out there have been serious past noise issues there. Mr. Caffrey said they are going to run a restaurant not a club. Mr. Flores asked about live music. Mr. Caffrey said they would like to have it but on a much different scale than what is has been. He said they don't wish to have rock bands playing but rather a comfortable atmosphere. He said they plan to close a bit earlier Sunday – Weds. He said they want to be good neighbors and want to work with the City. He said he cannot answer for the current establishment and the way it has been run. He said they have spent a lot of money already to improve it and they are not even in there yet. Chairman St. Pierre wanted to speak about entertainment again. Mr. Caffrey said that they have no interest in hosting 4 or 5 piece bands. Sgt. Gaudet asked if there would be any night life. Mr. Caffrey said no, he said the area of the restaurant that had pool table is gone. He said they want to attract a good clientele. He said they would like to have someone playing acoustic guitar, have background and piped in music, and maybe a TV outside for sporting events. Mr. Piermonte said that he sat in the Licensing Board in Methuen for years and he understands the issues. He said they are not looking to have big rock bands. He said for outside they'd like to have 1 or 2 musicians with a guitar, maybe some jazz and tvs for sports. Chairman St. Pierre said that the Board will approve the transfer of the license and this can be addressed further when they come in for the Entertainment License. Mr. Flores motioned to approve the transfer of the Annual All Alcohol License contingent upon all liens & legal issues being rectified. Chairman St. Pierre said the motion carries.

16. Application for a new Annual All Alcohol Liquor License granted through Home Rule petition and a Pledge of the License. Applicant: Hotel Salem Op Co., LLC.

Attorney Correnti and Shawn Shea, one of the principals presented the application. Attorney Correnti said they spent some time chasing a full liquor license that was not available and was approved for a license through the Home Rule process. Mr. Shea said the hotel is already live in line and taking reservations for early fall. Chairman St. Pierre asked about seating and parking. Mr. Shea said that parking is an evolving plan and it may be spilt up and offer some valet services. Mr. Flores asked how many rooms the hotel will have. Mr. Shea said 44. Chairman St. Pierre asked about deliveries. Mr. Shea said same as the other business; out on the pedestrian mall and that they would be out front during the allowed times. Attorney Correnti said that there will be a rooftop deck and then a restaurant that will be street level to Derby Square side entrance. He said the rooftop will accommodate about 170 people while the 1st floor restaurant will accommodate about 70. He said that downstairs there will be a bar area with shuffleboard games. He said they will be hosting a good number of weddings on the rooftop deck from 4-7pm. He said there will not be any late music up there. He said from the rooftop they will be able to continue on downstairs. He said there will be hotel rooms right under the rooftop with guests staying in them so they have to be aware of noise. He said they will be back in September for the Entertainment piece. He said there are several local investors and this is a part of Lark Hotels which also operates the Merchant Hotel and it will be very professionally operated. He said they are also asking for a Pledge of the License to go Reading Co-op.

From the public Ryan Best, abutter said he has some concerns. He said the back door where people maybe hanging out and smoking and exiting is 25 feet from his windows. He said they become the victims of that. He said he earlier asked Mr. Shea about making that an emergency exit so patrons couldn't use that door and he said that was not going to happen. He said he wanted to make the Board aware of these concerns now. He said it's all brick back there and sound travels. He said

these are issues that have not been addressed. Mr. Shea said he can go to the City and see if they can design an area for smoking as it is the City's property not theirs. Mr. Best said that would be great and that this needs some resolution. An elderly woman who lives directly above Mr. Best said she agrees with Mr. Best's comments. She asked again about deliveries and trash. Mr. Shea said that would all happen out front of the building. Chairman St. Pierre said that when it's a mixed business and residential area the Board always tries to work out a balance. Mr. Shea said this is run as a hotel first. Sgt. Gaudet asked if there would be more staff on in October. Mr. Shea there most likely would be. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Mr. Lee seconded. Chairman St. Pierre said motion carries.

17. Old/New Business:

NEW: Sgt. Gaudet said that he is bringing 2 new complaints to the Board regarding Bistro 118 for two separate incidents that occurred on April 8th and April 14th. The first involves overserving and the second involves 5 counts of assault and battery. He read from the reports and gave them to Ms. Pagliaro and asked the Board to bring them in for a Hearing. Due to various other commitments, the Board voted to hold a special meeting on May 15, 2017 to hold a Hearing for Bistro 118. They will be notified of the Hearing and mailed the reports from Sgt. Gaudet. Mr., Flores motioned to accept the complaints and hold a Hearing. Mr. Lee seconded. Chairman St. Pierre said the motion carries.

18. Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 27, 2017. Mr. Flores motioned to approve. Mr. Lee seconded. Chairman St. Pierre said motion carries.

19. Adjournment: Mr. Lee motioned to adjourn. Mr. Flores seconded. Chairman St. Pierre said motion carries.

Melissa Pagliaro
Clerk of the Board