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MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Salem Licensing Board was held on Monday, November 23, 2015 at 6:45 p.m., at City Hall, 120 Washington Street in the third floor meeting room. In attendance: Chairman, Bob St. Pierre and Member Paul Flores, Special Investigator Sgt. Dennis Gaudet and Clerk of the Board, Melissa Pagliaro. Absent was Member Rick Lee.

1. Application for Street Performers Licenses. Applicant: Charles Chouinard.

Mr. St. Pierre asked what he would like to do. Mr. Chouinard said he wanted to stand on the street dresses as Santa and sing carols and greet [people and take pictures. Chairman St. Pierre said he would like to continue this application until the next meeting on 12/14 to allow the Sgt. Gaudet to speak to the City Solicitor. Paul motioned to hold the application until the next meeting in December. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

2. Application for a One Day Liquor License on 12/19/15 from 9:30pm-12:30am for Hamilton Hall's Christmas Dance. Applicant: Hamilton Hall, Robin Perry.

Robin Perry from Hamilton Hall presented the application. She said this is the Annual Christmas Party Fundraiser that will be held on from. She said the bar will close at mid night. Chairman St. Pierre asked how many people. Robin said about 300 during the night coming and going, including the staff and band. Paul motioned to approve and waive the fee. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

3. Application for 2 (two) One Day Liquor Licenses. One on 11/28/15 from 7-11:30pm at the Salem High School for a Class Reunion and the second on 3/31/16 from 6-9pm for a fundraiser at Old Town Hall by B&S Fitness for the Plummer Home for Boys. Applicant: George McCabe, NS Bartending.

George McCabe presented the two applications. He said one is for a High School reunion at Salem High School on 11/28 from 7pm-12am at the school and they have the school committee approval and have arranged for a detail. He said the other is on 3/31/16 that is being held by B&S Fitness but is a fundraiser for the Plummer Home. He said it will be held at Old Town Hall and he will be doing the bar. Paul motioned to approve and waive the fee. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

4. Request to amend a Common Victualler's operating hours for Derby Joe, 142 Derby Street.

Dan Crowther, owner was home with a sick child. Ms. Pagliaro said that all he is looking to do is to extend his C/V operating hours until 11pm. He initially only though he would like to stay open until 8pm but he said he would like to extend the hours until 11pm as the Board can approve those hours. Paul motioned to approve. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

5. Application for a Blanket License for Entertainment & Vending and a One Day Liquor License. Applicant: Salem Jazz and Soul Festival, Larry Claffin.

Larry presented the application for various events for the Salem Jazz and Soul in 2016. He said this is the 10th season. He said they are looking for a blanket license like in the past that covers the Salem Willows Concert series on 8/20 & 8/21, for vendors, but no food vendors other than produce by local farmers, entertainment and a Beer & Wine tent. Paul motioned to approve. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

6. Application for a Transfer of an Annual All Alcohol License. Applicant: Diamond Hospitality Corp. d/b/a Sidelines Sports Bar & Grill, 105 Canal Street.

Spiros Demakis, current owner of Sidelines was with Adam Doran while presenting the application. Adam said he is applying for a Transfer of the Liquor License and that all his servers will be Serv- safe certified and TIPS certified. Paul asked if there are scanners there. Adam said they do have scanners. Paul asked what if any experience he has had with a liquor establishment. He said he owns Paddy Kelly's in Peabody. Paul motioned to approve contingent on all the paperwork being submitted to Melissa. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

7. Application for a Lodging House License. Applicant: ZXE, LLC. d/b/a The Merchant, 148 Washington Street.

Todd Waller, new owner of the property, presented the application. He said the property is the Joshua Ward House and there are 11 rooms inside after the renovations. He said everything is new and he had major state and federal government support for this project. Paul asked if it was a B&B or a hotel. Todd said it is a hotel. Todd said he may come in for a Common Vic License in the future. Sgt. Gaudet asked about guest parking. Todd said they will be using Riley Plaza. Paul motioned to approve contingent on all the paperwork being submitted to Melissa. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

8. Vote to extend the on premise liquor licenses hours on New Year's Eve, 2015 until a 2am closing time.

Chairman St. Pierre asked Sgt. Gaudet if he was aware of any issues with this. Sgt. Gaudet said as far as he knows there have not been any issues and it has gone smoothly in the past few years since it started.

9. Communications:

Melissa said there is a new noise complaint from a resident that lives near Victoria Station. Sgt. Gaudet said he will be checking into it.

10. Old/New Business: NONE

11. Approval of Meeting Minutes from November 9, 2015.

Paul motioned to approve the Meeting Minutes. Chairman St. Pierre seconded.

12. Adjournment

Paul motioned to adjourn. Chairman St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

Melissa Pagliaro
Clerk of the Board

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