## Minutes of the Licensing Board Meeting Wednesday, June 22, 2023 140 Main St, Council Committee Room, 1st floor

Attending: Greg Mitrakas, Chairman; David Bouvier, Member; Mary Jo Nawrocki, Member; Tina Nolin, Clerk

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mitrakas

## **New Business**

- 1. One-Day License Applications
  - Stevie's Back Road Café, 377 Main St, Hudson, MA for 3 events at Jacob's Hall Masonic Hall, 8 Newton St., Marlborough, MA

Steve Dembro, the owner/manager, of Stevie's Back Road Café and caterer to Masonic Hall events attended to present the application. Three events: Wedding Reception on 7/1/2023, Sweet 16<sup>th</sup> Birthday on 7/8/2023, and a Birthday Party on 7/15/2023.

Member Nawrocki motioned to approve the applications; Member Bouvier seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 vote.

- Tackle Box Brewing Company, 416 Boston Post Rd E Item was pulled by the applicant.
- 2. Application for a new Class II Dealership License Family Auto has requested to change its Dealership License from 283 Lincoln St to 103 Mechanic Street where they already have an auto repair location.

The application has been approved by the Zoning Commissioner with a maximum of 2 cars allowed for sale at any one time, and no exterior "For Sale" signs may appear on any vehicles. In addition, cars for sale must be parked in the designated spaces, noted as # 5 in the parking to the side of the building and/or in the parking designated at Bay B.

Member Bouvier motioned to approve the applications; Member Nawrocki seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 vote.

3. Application for a change of hours, Sperry's Liquors, 17 East Main St. Tony Speranzella, manager

Member Nawrocki motioned to approve the applications; Member Bouvier seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 vote.

4. Application for a change of hours, Sperry's Liquors, 531 Lincoln St. Tony Speranzella, manager

Member Nawrocki motioned to approve the applications; Member Bouvier seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 vote.

5. Discussion of store hours and hours allowed by state law Marlboro Market, 1 East Main St., Kosha Patel, Manager

The Chair Mitrakas made clear that this was not a hearing, but that the Board wanted to discuss with Mr. Patel Sunday hours for alcohol sales. Specifically, Massachusetts' General Law does not allow package stores to sell alcohol until 10:00 am on Sundays and they had had complaints that his store was selling before that time on a regular basis. Mr. Patel acknowledged that he had done so, but once he was told and corrected, he has not done so and has put a sign on the door saying no alcohol sold on Sundays before 10 am. He has also told his staff.

The Board thanked Mr. Patel for coming in and that they had just wanted to make sure he understood and abided by the law. As with any license holder, if they receive any more complaints, they will need to call a hearing on the matter, and it could lead to enforcement action taken against the license. Mr. Patel expressed that he understood.

- 6. Reports from Chairman
- 7. Misc. Correspondence and Open Issues
- 8. Review of May 31, 2023, minutes, and June 8, 2023 (special meeting) minutes.

Member Bouvier motioned to accept and place the minutes from the May 31, 2023, meeting on file, Member Nawrocki seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 3-0 vote.

Member Nawrocki motioned to accept and place the minutes from the June 9, 2023, meeting on file, Chair Mitrakas seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 2-0 vote. Member Bouvier abstained from the vote as he did not attend the meeting.

The next meeting of the Licensing Board will be on August 2, 2023, at 6:30 pm.

Member Bouvier motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:22 pm, Member Nawrocki seconded the motion, and the vote was 3-0 to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Date Signed:

August 2, 2023

Greg Mitrakas, Chairman