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LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, February 11, 2019
MINUTES

Meeting convened at 6.02 p.m.

Chairman Mowatt, Commissioner Diaz and Commissioner Dawicki were present.

Next commission meeting scheduled for March 11, 2019

A motion was made by Commissioner Dawicki, seconded and unanimously VOTED to approve the January 7, 2019 minutes as presented.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None

INFORMATIONAL HEARING:

1. Railroad Auto Recycling, LLC, 19 Railroad Avenue, Westfield, MA regarding renewal approval of Class 2 & Class 3 2019 auto licenses.

Chairman Mowatt read the summons into the minutes.

Chairman Mowatt stated the commission is having a problem sending communication to the licensee's establishment and receiving information back from them. Mail continually comes back undeliverable to the address of 19 Railroad Avenue.

Present was one of the owners, Mike Kamyshin who stated the following.

- Their business is still not up and running.
- They are trying to bring cars to the area to start the business.

- They have gone to the post office last year and this year and were told that there should be no reason they do not receive mail.
- The post office stated they will take care of the issue.
- There is a number on the mailbox.
- They do not know how to handle this issue of not receiving mail.
- They are hoping to open the business next year.
- Most of the property is gated but some of the area is not.
- The railroad used the same road for maintenance. They have a right of way.

Chairman Mowatt stated the following,

- They do not want to issue licenses to someone who has no intent on going into business.
- Someone else may need one and we don't want a license out there that is not being used.
- Because your facility is not properly secured it could lead to incidents happening there that should not be happening..
- Without securing your establishment you are allowing illegality to happen on your premises.
- We are looking for you to straighten out the address issue and to secure your property
- We would also like get an idea as to when you are going into business in that location.

Commissioner Dawicki would like to know why the business is still not operating.

Mr. Kamyshin stated that they are trying to get more cars in to sell at the establishment.

A motion was made by Chairman Mowatt, seconded and unanimously VOTED to move to deliberation.

DELIBERATION

Chairman Mowatt stated the following,

- He advised the licensee to send a letter to the business himself to see if it delivered or gets rejected like our correspondence has been.
- He would like the licensee to put up a sign with the business name and to take off the number 19 on the mailbox to see if mail then would get delivered there.
- He would like the licensee to give a written business plan and status of opening to the commission by the April meeting.

Chairman Mowatt instructed the office manager to try to research the address through the City to see if there is anything we can do on our end to try to help the licensee.

A motion was made by Commissioner Diaz, seconded and unanimously VOTED to approve the 2019 class 2 & class 3 license renewal contingents upon receiving at the April 8, 2019 meeting a business plan and to state the contingencies that are ahead of them to be operational and to their opening date.

Chairman Mowatt also instructed the licensee that if they submit this plan and contingencies to the office before the April meeting, the office manager can issue the class 2 & class 3 licenses to them and they do not have to attend the meeting.

REGULAR MEETING.

1. Commissioner Dawicki read the monthly police incident reports.

The following incidents reports were filed by the Commission.

- City Hotel incident# 19-48 1-1-19
- 7B's incident# 19-468 1-5-19
- Whip City Brew incident# 19-1379 1-14-19
- Wings Over Westfield incident# 19-171 1-16-19
- Maple Leaf incident# 19-2697 1-25-19
- The PAHK incident# 19-2703 1-25-19
- Maple Leaf incident# 19-2828 1-26-19
- Whip City Brew incident# 19-2841 1-26-19

- Maple Leaf incident# 19-2701 1-25-19
 - A motion was made by Chairman Mowatt, seconded and unanimously VOTED to send a letter to the licensee reminding them to be vigilant on checking fake ID's and properly scan as necessary.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1. The office manager informed the commission that the office received ABCC approval on the transfer of New Corner Variety at 2 Crown Street. The license will be issued when closing documents of the sale to the new owner is received.
2. The office manager advised the commission of the status of liquor licensee's amending their licenses.
 - a. Emma's – letter send to licensee on 9-20-18 to change ownership due to one of the owners is not part of the business anymore. Application still pending.

- b. **Tin Bridge** – still waiting for application to alter licensed premises to include outside patio. Owner's father came in on Monday 1-28-19 and stated that they are starting to work with the other city departments to be able to apply for the alteration of licensed premises. Application still pending.
- c. **99 Restaurant** – letter sent to licensee on 9-17-18 to change corporate officers due to at renewal time the current officers do not match what the license commission and the ABCC approved. Application still pending.
- d. **Walmart** – letter sent to licensee on 9-17-18 to change corporate officers due to at renewal time the current officers do not match what the license commission and the ABCC approved.

A motion was made by Chairman Mowatt, seconded and unanimously VOTED to call the licensees into the March 11, 2019 license meeting on status of amending their licenses.

- 3. The office manager stated that two Westfield residents purchased a franchise to add Westfield to the 2019 season of the Futures Collegiate Baseball League. They have entered into a 5 year lease with the City of Westfield and they are being allowed to apply for alcohol. They are not able to meet at the next meeting in March and are asking for a Special Meeting.

A motion as made by Chairman Mowatt, seconded and unanimously VOTED to approve a Special Meeting date of Monday March 18, 2018 contingent upon them submitting all the proper documents for a liquor public hearing.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.


Christopher Mowatt, Chairman Approved.

