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**LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, August 9, 2021 6:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

Meeting convened at 6:02 p.m.

Present was Chairman Mowatt, Commissioner Diaz and Commissioner Dawicki.

The next License Commission was scheduled for September 13, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Diaz, seconded and unanimously VOTED to approve the minutes of July 12, 2021 as presented.

REGULAR MEETING:

1. Arnold Street Enterprises, LLC d/b/a The Maple Leaf Pub, 11 Arnold Street, Westfield, MA, Holly Neylon, mgr requesting entertainment to be allowed on the new approved outside patio to include TV, jukebox, bands, vocal music and general dancing by patrons.

Present was Holly Neylon who stated the following:

- They are looking to put a couple TV's outside along with Keno.
- They would also like to have speakers outside so that music can be heard on the new patio area.
- The existing patio has TV's and speakers outside.
- They are looking to have small bands consisting of acoustic music on Saturday's from 7pm to 10pm.
- They understand that the noise ordinance states music ends at 10pm.

Chairman Mowatt asked currently if the singers are just inside with music going through speakers to the existing patio or if there currently are singers on the existing patio. He also voiced concern regarding the apartments nearby.

Holly stated the following:

- The PVTA is next door. Where there were apartments there is when the old owners had problems with the tenants regarding noise.
- They will be putting up fences around the new patio area.
- They will keep the music down and do not intend to have large bands out there.
- She is not opposed to changing the music from 6pm to 9pm if they commission would prefer that.

Chairman Mowatt stated the following:

- He doesn't want to have to cap the hours, although he feels 9pm may be more appropriate.
- He doesn't feel he has to put a restriction on the time.

Commissioner Diaz stated that at most Maple Leaf will only have 5 months of outside music and dining. He asked where the band would be setting up outside.

Holly stated the following:

- The Singers and speakers will be facing the Maple Leaf. Their backs will be up against the fence where the G & E Parking Lot is.

Commissioner Diaz stated the following:

- He is awestruck with the changes the new owners have made.
- There is a different crowd at the establishment now. The crowd is more mature.
- He is impressed at what they have turned that business into.
- They run a tight business the right way.

Commissioner Dawicki questioned if the speakers are always on when there is music inside the establishment.

Holly stated the following:

- When they have music the inside is not packed and there is plenty of seating inside.
- If people are sitting out on the patio they can turn the speakers on so they can hear the music from either the singer or the juke box.
- If people on the patio just want to listen and watch TV they are able to turn the speakers off.

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

No one spoke in favor.

No one spoke in opposition.

A motion was made by Chairman Mowatt, seconded and unanimously VOTED to approve the amended entertainment request to include the new patio area and that all music through speakers and music from singers outside cease at 10pm.

2. No police reports were submitted by the Westfield Police Department this month.

LATE COMMUNICATION:

1. 2012 Rifles Hockey Team, Stephanie Anderson & Heather Douglas requesting a Section 14 Wine & Malt license for August 14, 2021 from 1pm to 9pm at Roots Athletic Center, 181 Root Road for a fundraiser.

Present was Heather Douglas who stated the following:

- They would like to hold a Family Picnic fundraiser to help with hockey costs.
- They will be having corn hole tournaments and food.
- They would like to have an area to serve beer to the adults.
- She has worked in the restaurant field for over 15 years.
- She knows the regulations and will be checking id's.
- They will band all adults who are of age to drink.
- The event will be held indoors.
- There will be two sides designated. One for the adults and one for the kids.
- It will be mainly parents and children under the age of twelve years old.
- They are also asking that the fee be waived due to trying to help raise money for the hockey costs.

A motion was made by Chairman Mowatt, seconded and unanimously VOTED to approve the Section 14 one day request and to waive the fee.

2. Westfield Athenaeum, 6 Elm Street, Westfield, MA, Guy McLain, mgr requesting a One Day Section 14 wine only license for September 16, 2021 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Westfield Athenaeum for a Gallery Opening Reception.

The office manager stated the following:

- The application is in order.
- The Athenaeum is requesting that the fee be waived due to being nonprofit.
- The Athenaeum has held these events in the past.

A motion was made by Chairman Mowatt, seconded and unanimously VOTED to approve the One Day Section 14 wine only license and to waive the fee due to being nonprofit.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

1. The office manager stated that the new Lieutenant assigned to Community Policing and the License Commission is Lieutenant Hall. Lieutenant Hall will be at the September meeting.
2. The office manager stated that the office received ABCC approval for the alteration of licensed premises to include the outside patio area for Arnold Street Enterprises, LLC d/b/a The Maple Leaf Pub, 11 Arnold Street, Westfield.

The license will be issued to the licensee as soon as the patio area has been constructed and they have received the amended COI from the Building Department to include the patio area.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.



Christopher Mowatt, Chairman Approved