

**PEABODY LICENSING BOARD**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, June 27, 2022**

In accordance with Section 20 (a), (b), and (c) of the Acts of 2021 signed into law by Governor Baker on June 16, 2021, suspending certain provision of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, the Monday, June 27, 2022 meeting of the Peabody Licensing Board was commenced at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom Webinar and was conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible.

The Clerk/Recording Secretary was responsible for moderating the meeting via Zoom webinar.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Fred Murtagh.

Present via Zoom Webinar were: Chairman Fred Murtagh, Board Members Barry Sinewitz and Jim Liacos, and Clerk/Recording Secretary Darryl Ann McCarthy.

**MOTION:** made by Barry Sinewitz to approve the meeting minutes from Monday, June 13, 2022; said motion was seconded by Jim Liacos

<b><u>Roll Call Vote:</u></b>	Barry Sinewitz:	Yes
	Jim Liacos:	Yes
	Fred Murtagh:	Yes

**Public Hearings**

At 6:35 p.m., the public hearing was commenced on the Application of Moy’s Group, Inc. for a new all alcoholic restaurant license at 144 Washington Street. The Clerk/Secretary read the Notice of Public Hearing into the record, a copy of which is attached hereto.

Appearing with respect to the transaction was Melinda Moy, the proposed manager of record. They are re-applying for the liquor license following the passing of their mother a few years ago. They are planning to re-open Buddha’s Tavern as a sports bar with an American/Asian flair. They were long-standing in the city. Her mother ran the restaurant for more than 20 years at the location. Following her passing, she and her brother are taking what she taught them and re-opening the restaurant. They will be running the business.

Barry Sinewitz asked about any renovations. Melinda advised that they are making some minimal changes like painting and new TV’s but no change to the seating.

Fred Murtagh asked about their hours of operation. Melinda advised that their hours will be as follows: Closed on Mondays; Tuesday-Thursday, 3:00 to 11:00 p.m.; Friday 3:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.; Saturday 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.; and Sundays from 12:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

**MOTION:** made by Barry Sinewitz to approve the Application of Moy’s Group, Inc. d/b/a Buddha’s Tavern for a new § 12 all alcoholic restaurant license to be located at 144 Washington Street and to approve Melinda Moy as the manager of record; said motion was seconded by Jim Liacos.

**Roll Call Vote:** Barry Sinewitz: Yes  
Jim Liacos: Yes  
Fred Murtagh: Yes

### **One Day License Requests**

1. Azorean Brotherhood of the Divine Holy Ghost. Sandy Reis appeared on behalf of the club to request special one-day licenses for their annual outside feast. The drinks will be served from the inside and guests will bring them outside. All services are TIPs certified. The feast is for three days: Friday, July 15, from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m.; Saturday, July 16, from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.; and Sunday, July 17 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. They will have 2 outside tent areas and in front of the club, there will be a makeshift fence to the side of the stage. They will be having a police detail and expect about 200 people per night.

**MOTION:** made by Barry Sinewitz to approve 3 special one-day licenses for the Holy Ghost on: Friday, July 15, from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m.; Saturday, July 16, from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.; and Sunday, July 17 from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.; said motion was seconded by Jim Liacos

**Roll Call Vote:** Barry Sinewitz: Yes  
Jim Liacos: Yes  
Fred Murtagh: Yes

2. Beth Donhauser appeared on behalf of Essex County Brewing Company for special one-day licenses for the Summer Concert Series on the Leather City Common. They plan to serve beer at the concerts scheduled for Sunday, July 10; Sunday, July 24; and Sunday August 21, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

**MOTION:** made by Barry Sinewitz to approve the special one-day license applications for Essex County Brewing Company for Sunday, July 10; Sunday, July 24; and Sunday, August 21, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at the Leather City Common; said motion was seconded by Jim Liacos.

**Roll Call Vote:** Barry Sinewitz: Yes  
Jim Liacos Yes  
Fred Murtagh Yes

**NEW BUSINESS**

**MOTION:** made by Jim Liacos to receive the application for a transfer of the Champions Pub license and to schedule for public hearing on Monday, July 11, 2022; said motion was seconded by Barry Sinewitz.

**Roll Call Vote:** Barry Sinewitz: Yes  
Jim Liacos Yes  
Fred Murtagh Yes

**MOTION:** made by Jim Liacos to receive the application for a transfer of the Stonewood Tavern license and to schedule for public hearing on Monday, July 11, 2022; said motion was seconded by Barry Sinewitz.

**Roll Call Vote:** Barry Sinewitz: Yes  
Jim Liacos Yes  
Fred Murtagh Yes

**MOTION:** made by Jim Liacos, under suspension of the rules, to receive the application for a new all alcoholic restaurant license submitted by Big Pig Barbeque and Catering and to schedule for public hearing on Monday, July 11, 2022; said motion was seconded by Barry Sinewitz.

**Roll Call Vote:** Barry Sinewitz: Yes  
Jim Liacos Yes  
Fred Murtagh Yes

**OLD BUSINESS**

After contacting the City Solicitor and members of the Peabody Police Department, it was determined that the public hearing on the Cabaret matter will be scheduled for Monday, July 18, 2022. It will be the only item on the agenda that evening.

The next meeting of the Licensing Board will take place on Monday, July 11, 2022.

There being no further business before the Board,

**MOTION**: to adjourn made by Barry Sinewitz; seconded by Jim Liacos.

Whereby, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

***Darryl Ann McCarthy***

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Darryl Ann McCarthy, Clerk/Recording Secretary

DATED: July 11, 2022