

PEABODY LICENSING BOARD

Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 11, 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, and the extension of those provisions dated _____ the Monday, July 11, 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 27, 2022; said motion was seconded by Jim Liacos

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

One Day License Requests:

1. Nick Caso of Notch Brewing Company submitted a one-day license request for an alumni event Fall Festival to be held at Bishop Fenwick High School on October 8. He has a van with a tap set up and will be selling brew. They expect 200 people over the course of the day and he will have the van staffed with and checking ID's. It is a private ticketed event and will be set up as a beer garden outside.

MOTION: made by Barry Sinewitz to approve the one-day license request of Notch Brewing Company for October 8, 2022; said motion was seconded by Jim Liacos.

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

Public Hearings

At 6:35 p.m., the public hearing was commenced on the Application for a Transfer of the Champions Liquor license from Four Good Reasons, Inc. d/b/a Champions Pub to Peabody Tips, Inc. d/b/a Champions at 114 Foster Street. The Clerk read the Notice of Public Hearing into the record, a copy of which is attached hereto.

Appearing with respect to the transaction is Attorney Jack Keilty of ,40 Lowell Street, Peabody. The proposed manager of record Colin Targett also appeared via Zoom webinar. A legal advertisement was placed in The Salem News and an abutters notification was also mailed. The new owners are Colin Targett, Nicole Targett, and Kyle. They currently all work there and are relatives of current owners. They do not contemplate making any improvements but are also seeking approval of a permanent seasonal outdoor patio area that has been set up in the parking area adjacent to the premises under a temporary outdoor dining permit issued during COVID. They will continue the operation as it has always been. The applicant is still awaiting Certificates of Good Standing from DUA and DOR, which must be provided to complete the application.

MOTION: with all paperwork being in good order, Barry Sinewitz made a motion to approve the Application for a Transfer of all alcoholic restaurant license from Four Good Reasons, Inc. d/b/a Champions Pub to Peabody Tips, Inc. d/b/a Champions Pub. And to approve Colin Targett as the manager of record; said motion was seconded by Jim Liacos.

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

Whereby, the Board directed the Clerk Secretary to prepare and submit LLA Certification to the ABCC for final approval.

At 6:45 p.m., the public hearing was held on the Application for a Transfer of All Alcoholic Restaurant License from Vignalli LLC to Toscana Forno, d/b/a Toscana Forno at 139 Lynnfield 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 application is Attorney Jack Keilty of 40 Lowell Street representing the applicant . Also in appearance via Zoom webinar was Angelo Perrina, the owner and proposed manager of record. Attorney Keilty advised that there will be no significant changes to the current restaurant. What will change is the menu. The plan to make significant menu changes with new offerings. A special permit was obtained form the City Council. Their entertainment license is before the City Council this Thursday. They also need to provide DOR and DUA Compliance certificates from the transferor.

Angelo also advised that he hopes to open by mid-October.

MOTION: with all paperwork being in good order, Barry Sinewitz made a motion to approve the Application for a Transfer of all alcoholic restaurant license from Vignalli, LLC d/b/a Stonewood Tavern to Toscana Forno, LLC d/b/a Toscana Forno and to approve Angelo Perrina as the manager of record; said motion was seconded by Jim Liacos.

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

Barry Sinewitz asked about plans for the entertainment and that it will not be operated as a nightclub. Angelo advised that they intend to use that space primarily as a function room. There are 2 pieces to their live entertainment application: karaoke and stand-up comedy.

At 6:50 p.m., the public hearing was commenced on the Application for a new special legislation liquor license submitted by Big Pig Barbecue. The Clerk/Secretary read the notice of public hearing into the record.

Appearing with respect to the application is attorney Jack Keilty of 40 Lowell Street and the owner and proposed manager of Record Christopher Labella. Chris had previously been granted an all-alcoholic special legislation license pursuant to Chapter 96 of the Act of 2017. Chris did not submit an application for renewal of his liquor license in 2022. He is back to apply and asking for re-issuance of the license. A legal advertisement was placed in The Salem News, and abutters notifications were sent to a large number of people.

Their application also seeks approval for a permanent seasonal outdoor patio area that was operating with a temporary outdoor dining permit during the COVID Pandemic. Chris LaBella advised that no further changes will be made in the operation of the business.

MOTION: with all paperwork being in good order, Jim Liacos made a motion to approve the Application for a New All Alcoholic Special Legislation restaurant license pursuant to Chapter 96 of the Acts of 2017 for Big Pig Barbecue and Catering, Inc., at 108 Newbury Street and to approve Christopher LaBella as the manager of record; said motion was seconded by Barry Sinewitz.

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

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: made by Barry Sinewitz to receive the correspondence from Sharon Cameron, Director of Health& Human Services relative to recent tobacco sales violations by liquor licensed establishments; said motion was seconded by Jim Liacos.

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

The next meeting of the Licensing Board will take place on Monday, July 18, 2022 and the only item on the agenda will be the Public Hearing on alleged violation at the Cabaret.

There being no further business before the Board,

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Darryl Ann McCarthy

Darryl Ann McCarthy, Clerk/Recording Secretary

DATED: August 8, 2022