

Liquor Commission meeting 5/9/13

Members Present: Gil Medeiros, Chris Walsh, Sean McCarthy, Michael Gilbert, John Guerin

Members Absent: Kris O'Malley, Kelly Richenburg

Mr. Medeiros called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm and announced that he had received a letter of resignation from commissioner Kris O'Malley due to other commitments. Mr. Medeiros thanked Commissioner O'Malley for her service on the Commission on behalf of the entire body.

New Business:

One Day License for Gemline Marketing:

Gemline marketing asking for a one day license at the state reservation for June 11<sup>th</sup>, represented by Sales Manager Karen Troy-Rogers. Ms Troy-Rogers explained this is a private event for their sales staff of 60-70 employees.

Mr. Medeiros asked if they would have a TIPS -trained bartender and Ms. Troy- Rogers indicated they would ask Woodman's catering to provide one. Mr. Medeiros reminded them that they needed to purchase their alcohol from a registered wholesaler.

**Motion to approve a one day license for Gemline subject to a TIPS certified bartender made by Mr. Gilbert and seconded by Mr. Guerin. Vote: unanimous**

Minutes:

**Move approval of the minutes of 3/28/13. Motion by Mr. Gilbert, seconded by Mr. McCarthy. Vote: unanimous**

One Day License for New England Seafood:

New England Seafood asking for a one day license at the state reservation for June 15<sup>th</sup>, represented by Ms. Sylvie Owen. Ms Owen explained this is for a wedding for Pam Daigle (Ms. Daigle applied for and was approved for a one day license for this event on 3/28/13). Ms. Owen indicated the ABCC told her she needed to come before us. New England Seafood operates a 150 seat restaurant in Methuen with an all-alcohol license.

Mr. Medeiros asked if they would have a TIPS -trained bartender and Ms. Owen indicated all her bartenders are TIPS certified.

**Motion to approve a one day license for New England Seafood for June 15<sup>th</sup> made by Mr. McCarthy and seconded by Mr. Guerin. Vote: unanimous.**

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One Day License for Bob McGrath:

Mr. McGrath asking for a one day license at the state reservation for August 17<sup>th</sup> for a family wedding. Mr. McGrath indicated 16 to 24 people and he has a TIPS certified bartender from traveling bartenders of Groveland.

Mr. Medeiros asked if they would provide proof of certification when they pick up the license.

**Motion to approve a one day license for Robert McGrath at the state reservation on August 17<sup>th</sup> made by Mr. McCarthy and seconded by Mr. Walsh. Vote: unanimous**

Mr. Walsh indicated that there is now an opening on the commission to fill the remainder of Ms. O'Malley's

term. He hopes people will think about joining and send a letter to the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Gilbert indicated he believes there are two years left on that term.

Correspondence:

Mr. Medeiros indicated we have a letter from Anthony's indicating that they are moving forward with the license and the purchase of the former LaChicita's property on rte 1.

Old Business :

Good Fortune:

**Motion by Mr. Gilbert to approve an all-alcohol license for Good Fortune. Seconded by Mr. McCarthy. Vote: unanimous.**

Mr. Medeiros reminded Good Fortune that could only serve beer and wine until they get the new license and at that time they would need to surrender the beer and wine license.

Good Fortune asked about having entertainment. Mr. Medeiros indicated they would need to go to the Board of Selectmen for an entertainment license. Mr. Gilbert indicated that they needed to let the liquor commission know what their hours were going to be within the requirements of the state law.

Extended hours:

Mr. Gilbert asked about further action on the extended hours for holidays at the beach.

Mr. Guerin suggested that maybe we should try it for Memorial Day.

Mr. Gilbert indicated he was opposed to extending the hours. He is concerned that since neighboring communities don't do it (New Hampshire establishments must close at 1:00AM by state regulation) there would be a rush by some to Salisbury for that last hour. We had a few problems at the beach this past summer and they were later in the evening. He is also concerned about the level of business support for this beyond Splash.

Mr. McCarthy asked that we table this to see if there is more interest. He indicated he is opposed at this time.

Mr. Walsh asked about process of approval.

Mr. Medeiros indicated we can leave it for now and we can bring it back up again.

Mr. Walsh indicated that his term is up as well as Mr. Gilbert and a letter of intent is needed for reappointment. Both indicated they would so.

Mr. Medeiros indicated that we needed a clerk until we get a secretary in place. Mr. Gilbert indicated he would assume the duty.

**Motion by Mr. Gilbert, seconded by Mr. McCarthy to adjourn the meeting. Vote: unanimous.**