

Liquor Commission meeting 5/23/13

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

Members Absent:

Mr. Medeiros called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes for the meetings of April 25, 2013 and May 9, 2013 made by Mr. McCarthy and seconded by Ms. Richenburg. Vote: unanimous.

New Business:

One Day License for North Shore Bartending Service /Triton Class of 78:

George McCabe, North Shore Bartending Service, 11D Russell Drive Salem, MA and Gordon and Laurie Jarvis, Reunion Committee Triton Regional Class of 78 appeared to request a one day license at the State Reservation for August 3, 2013. Mr. Medeiros asked about their plans. Mr. Jarvis indicated they are holding their 35th class reunion. Mr. Medeiros asked about police detail. Ms. Jarvis indicated she believed that was taken care of. Mr. McCabe supplied the Commission with his liability insurance information. Mr. Guerin asked about the hours of alcohol service and Mr. Jarvis indicated 4:00Pm to 8:00Pm.

Motion to approve the requested one day license for North Shore Bartending Service by Mr. Gilbert, seconded by Ms. Richenburg. Vote: unanimous.

Change of Manager-The Salisbury Pub LLC dba Splash Lounge-3 Broadway

Mark Oughton, current manager at Splash Liquid Lounge, introduced the Commission to Steven Miller whom he is requesting be approved as the new manager at Splash Liquid Lounge. Mr. Medeiros asked Mr. Oughton when he was leaving Splash and Mr. Oughton indicated June 9, 2013 would be his last day. Mr. Medeiros then asked Mr. Miller to tell the Commission about himself. Mr. Miller indicated he is from Salisbury and has a hotel/restaurant culinary degree and a business degree. He has worked with Mr. Oughton for the last 4 years at both Surfside 5 and Splash. He also works at Diane's Fine Desserts in Newburyport as a food safety manager as well as at Splash. Mr. Medeiros asked if he has ever managed a bar he indicated he had at both Surfside 5 and Blue Ocean. Mr. Walsh asked what his hours would be. Mr. Miller indicated he would be there more than 40 hours a week and then listed the weekend as well as Wednesday and Thursday. Mr. Medeiros stated that given the license owner's past history the Commission would like a letter from Mr. Miller indicating his anticipated work hours on each day of the week. Ms. Richenburg asked Mr. Miller if he understood the restrictions the Commission has placed on the license at the moment. Mr. Miller indicated he was.

Motion to approve the Change of manager for Splash by Mr. Gilbert, seconded by Ms. Richenburg. Vote: unanimous.

Mr. Oughton thanked the Commission for being fair with him during his time in Salisbury. Mr. Guerin thanked Mr. Oughton for being easy to work with.

New Officer/Director, Transfer of Stock, Transfer of License -Dolphin Grille-179 Atlantic Avenue

Attorney Chris Caldwell appeared representing the Estate of James Bradley, Claire Bradley, Kathleen Bradley, and the Dolphin Grille, Inc. Mr. Medeiros indicated we would hold a public hearing for the transfer to Kevin Buswell on June 13, 2013. Mr. Caldwell asked that if there was any question or something was missing that the Commission contact him immediately.

Motion to accept the Dolphin Grille, Inc.'s application for New officer/director, transfer of stock

and transfer of license and to schedule a public hearing on June 13, 2013 by Mr. Gilbert, seconded by Mr. Walsh. Vote: unanimous.

Public Hearing:

Motion to open the public hearing for the transfer of license of Striper's Grille Inc. to Kallony, Inc. D/B/A Striper's Grille by Mr. Gilbert, second by Mr. Walsh. Vote: unanimous.

Attorney William Cox indicated that since the last time they were before the Commission his clients, on April 30th, acquired the Striper's Grille property. Mr. Cox indicated that his clients have been on and in the property preparing to open. He also indicated that he filed an amended application and additional documents on Tuesday. Mr. Medeiros asked if they would be changing the floor plan and was told they would not. Mr. Medeiros reminded the new owners that if they chose to alter the floor plan they needed to appear before the Commission before hand. Mr. Walsh asked if they intended to utilize the deck and they do. Mr. McCarthy asked about intended opening date. Mr. Hagenicholas indicated they have about 2 weeks of work left and then they would be awaiting the process of liquor license approval. Mr. Medeiros asked about entertainment. Mr. Hagenicholas indicated that they might utilize solo or duets acts but would not be using bands.

No one appeared to speak for or against the transfer.

Motion to close the hearing by Ms. Richenburg, seconded by Mr. Walsh. Vote: unanimous

Motion to approve the transfer of license for Striper's Grille by Mr. Gilbert, seconded by Mr. McCarthy. Vote Unanimous.

Mr. Guerin indicated that he has heard a lot of people indicating their excitement that Striper's will be reopening with the high caliber of the new owners.

Correspondence:

There was none.

Mr. Medeiros indicated that the Commissioners should schedule inspections. Mr. Guerin indicated that he has been visiting establishments and everything seems to be going well. Establishments are hoping for better weather.

Old Business:

Mr. Medeiros brought up the holiday extension issue.

Motion to table holiday extensions until an additional request comes to the Commission by Mr. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Gilbert.

Mr. Guerin commented that we have given numerous opportunities for the license holders to come forward.

Vote: unanimous

New Business:

Mr. Medeiros indicated there was a need to discuss the issue of a board secretary. He indicated that he had contacted the Town manager as has Mr. Walsh. Mr. Gilbert indicated he had spoken to the Town manager at Town meeting and that Mr. Harrington had indicated he would likely have to go outside of Town Hall to hire someone. Ms. Richenburg asked if it was necessary that the person be in Town Hall and Mr. Medeiros that while it would be ideal it was not required. Ms. Richenburg asked isn't there someone in Town Hall to answer liquor commission questions and Mr. Medeiros indicated that they give out his phone number. There was discussion from all Commissioners about advertising the position and about the need for someone in Town Hall on a daily

basis to respond to queries. A request was made to invite the Town Manager to meet with the Commission.

Motion by Ms. Richenburg, seconded by Mr. McCarthy to adjourn the meeting. Vote: unanimous.