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MELISSA PAGLIARO, CLERK OF THE BOARD

**Meeting:** 

Salem Licensing Board was held **Monday, February 23, 2015** at 6:45 pm in the third floor conference room, 120 Washington Street. Present were Chairman of the Board Bob St. Pierre and member Rick Lee, Clerk of the Board, Melissa Pagliaro and Special Investigator to the Board Sgt. Gaudet. Absent was Paul Flores.

**Approved:** 

Application from Hamilton Hall for (9) One Day Liquor Licenses. Present was Robin Perry from Hamilton Hall. The events are for the following: Dzaugis, March 14; Terrill, March 28; March 29; Kennedy, April 4; Thomson, April 11; Ziparo, April 18; The Busy Bee Society, April 26; Lawnby, May 9; and Pamela Burns, March 7, 2015, all to be held at Hamilton Hall, 9 Chestnut Street.

Mr. Lee said that all the required paperwork was in order.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve.

Mr. St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

**Approved:** 

Application from House of the Seven Gables for (6) six One Day liquor Licenses. Present was Deb Costa from The Gables. The events are for the following: Gables Event on March 18th, Gables Event on July 4th, Lecture on May 20th, Gables Event on June 14th, Gables event on September 20th and a Gables event on April 2nd.

Mr. Lee said that all the required paperwork was in order.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve.

Mr. St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

**Approved:** 

Application from North Shore for The Salem Theatre Company for a VIP Film Fest Reception on 2/25 from 6-9 pm at 90 Lafavette Street. Present was George McCabe.

Mr. Lee said that all the required paperwork was in order.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve.

Mr. Mr. St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

**Approved**:

Application from Salem Main Streets Annual Meeting on 2/24 from 5:30-7pm at the Salem Five Community Room. Present was Kylie Sullivan.

Mr. Lee said that all the required paperwork was in order.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve.

Mr. Mr. St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries.

Approved:

Application from the Salem Council on Aging for (4) four One Day Liquor Licenses. Present: Rosanna Donahue from the Council on Aging. The events are for Senior Pizza parties to be held at 5 Broad Street on April 4/23, 6/25, 9/24 and 12/10/2015.

Mr. Lee said that all the required paperwork was in order.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve and waive the fee.

Mr. Mr. St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries



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Approved:

Application for an Entertainment License for the Ugly Mug Restaurant, Washington Street.

Present: Diane Wolf

Diane requested an Entertainment License for ambient music at the restaurant including CD, MP3, small live entertainment of duos and DJ.

Mr. St. Pierre said that the neighbors are businesses.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve.

Mr. Mr. St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries

Approved:

Application to Amend the Entertainment License for the Howling Wolf Taqueria, Lafayette Street. Present: Jeremy Jones.

Jeremy requested to amend his Entertainment to include amplified music. He had originally requested to have exactly what the previous owners had on their license, not realizing that they did not have amplified music. He said there said if there were to be amplified it would be a small duo or band.

Mr. St. Pierre asked about other tenants in the building/.

Jeremy said there were but the second floor is all office space and is a buffer.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve.

Mr. Mr. St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries

Approved:

Application for a One Day Liquor License and Entertainment License and a blanket license for some vendors for the 2015 pride Parade in June on the Common. Present: Hope Watt-Bucci, President

Hope said that this will be the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Pride parade and is expecting about 5,000 to be in the area. She said the sponsor for the beer tent is Ipswich Ale.

Mr. Lee asked about the number of vendors.

Hope said roughly 70, lots of them nonprofits.

Mr. St. Pierre asked if Hope was working with the Police already.

Mr. Lee said there have been no problems in the previous years.

Hope said she is working with all departments and has the approval from Park & Rec.

Mr. St. Pierre said he heard something about having antique cars on the common and just wanted it to be on record that the LB has no authority to allow that.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve.

Mr. Mr. St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries

Ms. Pagliaro requested that Hope email the approval letter from the Park & Rec. Dept.



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**Approved:** 

Application for a Class II Auto Dealers License, 87 Jackson Street. Applicant: European Cars,

LLC, Petros Derirtshyan.

Mr. Lee said the all of the required paperwork is in order.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve.

Mr. St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries

Approved:

Application for a Class II Auto dealers License, 41 Boston Street Ruxckaia Tecidos, Inc d/b/a King

Motors. Present: Marcos Doliver, friend of family and Luis Borges.

Marcos said that the Borges family would like to open a dealership at 41 Boston Street as the current dealer is going out of business.

Mr. St. Pierre said he understands there is an issue with obtaining a CORI check on the applicants due to not currently having social security numbers. He said at this time he would motion to continue this matter and have another hearing when they are able to get social security numbers approved.

Marcos said that he spoke to the Solicitor and was under the impression there would not be an issue.

Mr. St. Pierre said he apologized and is sorry for any delay but the LB will try and work with them

Mr. Lee motioned to table this application.

Mr. St. Pierre seconded.

**Approved:** 

Application for a Change of Manager and Change of Officers and Directors for Palmer's Cove Yacht Club, Leavitt Street.

Attorney Strasnick said that this happens every year with the swearing-in of the new Officers and Directors and they are changing the manager as well. The new manager of record will be himself, Robert Strasnick.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve.

Mr. St. Pierre seconded. Motion carries

**Approved:** 

Application for a Pledge of (2) two licenses, the Hawthorne Hotel and the Salem Hospitality Group (PEM). Present was Christina Mihos, attorney.

Christina said that the bank DFCU, is asking for a Pledge of both of the licenses to secure a construction loan for the Public House in Sturbridge.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve the Pledge to the Hawthorne Hotel Liquor License to DFCU

Mr. St. Pierre seconded.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve the Pledge of the Salem Hospitality Group Liquor License to DFCU.

Mr. St. Pierre seconded.



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**Discussion:** 

Brisas del Caribe for a Status update on a Wine & Malt Liquor License.

Present was Rosa Hernandez, Georgina Alfonseca and Adrian Arias.

Mr. St. Pierre asked about what was happening with this license.

Georgina said that they have looked at different locations and every place fell through. She said they recently looked at 75 Congress Street.

Mr. St. Pierre asked how long it has been since they closed.

Ms. Pagliaro said just over a year.

Mr. St. Pierre said that there cannot be pocket licenses out there for that period of time. They have to use it or lose it. He said there are lots of people looking to purchase licenses out there.

Georgina asked if they could have an extension until July as they want to find a realtor to start working with.

Mr. St. Pierre said they can work with them and give them until April 27, 2015 but not until July. He said they need to come to the meeting on that date with something solid.

Mr. Lee said he motioned to continue this discussion until April27th, 2015

Mr. St. Pierre seconded and said that he encouraged them to be aggressive in their plan and that they need to act.

**Hearing:** 

Congress Street Market, 95 Congress Street. Present: Attorney Sam Vitale and Keyur B. Patel, manager of record.

Mr. St. Pierre said that he would ask Det. Gaudet to present the facts and can call his witness and then Attorney Vitale would have the opportunity to do the same.

Attorney Vitale said that they do not question the report at all.

Mr. St. Pierre swore in the witness Office Dani Gaito.

Dani said that he has been a Police Officer for 6 ½ years. He said that he is familiar with the area that the store is in. He said on the date in question he observed what appeared to be a minor come out for the store with two six packs of beer and a bottle of wine. He said that he and his partner went over to the minors and found one had a false ID. He said that two of the minors will be summonsed into court. He said the minor told the Officers that he has purchased alcohol at this store at least five times before.

Det. Gaudet said he had nothing further.

Attorney Vitale reiterated that they do not question the report at all and have no questions.

Det. Gaudet said that the Clerk at the store that night seemed to lack any concern. He said that there hasn't been any trouble at this market in quite some time.

Attorney Vitale said that Det. Gaudet correctly stated the facts and that night Mr. Patel's younger brother was working at the store and made several mistakes and did take an out of state license. He said that since that incident they sent the Mr. Patel's brother to TIPS training, updated their camera system, hung signs from the ABCC in the door and have purchased a scanner system to check ID's. He said he has suggested to his client that they no longer take an out of state ID and they no



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longer will. He said that his client acknowledges the mistakes and has worked to remediate them. Mr. Lee said it is refreshing to hear they acknowledge that they made a mistake and reviewed with the licensee the 4 acceptable types of identification. He said those are the only ID's that are accepted. Period.

Mr. Lee motioned to put a written warning in their folder for a period of 1 year. He said that if there are no issues in that one year period than the letter will be removed.

Mr. St. Pierre seconded and said that if there is any other issue in that year that the progressive discipline policy would be followed and that could include suspension.

Motion carries.

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**Business:** NONE

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**nications:** NONE

**Approved:** Meeting Minutes from meeting on January 12, 2015.

Mr. Lee motioned to approve.

Mr. St. Pierre seconded.

Adjourn-

**ment:** Mr. Lee motioned to approve.

Mr. St. Pierre seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Pagliaro Clerk of the Board

Submitted:

Approved:

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