



CITY OF TAUNTON
LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES OF THE MEETING

January 21, 2015

7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Chairman Peter Lamb
Commissioner Brendan Mullen
Commissioner Bruce Thomas

For the Police Department:

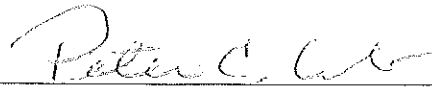
Detective Lt. Daniel McCabe
Detective Dennis Smith

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Chairman Lamb.

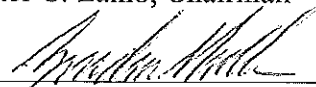
1. Minutes of the meetings from December 17, 2014. Motion made by Commissioner Mullen to accept the minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Thomas. Motion passed unanimously.
2. **La Familia, Inc/ d/b/a Curley's Pub – Application to Change Doing Business As Name.** Appearing before the Board is Attorney Robert Fredericks. Attorney Fredericks stated that when La Familia, Inc. purchased Shuffle, Inc. doing business as ("d/b/a") Curley's Pub, it was purchased with the d/b/a name; now his client would like to drop the d/b/a and just use La Familia. Detective Lt. McCabe confirmed that they were only changing the d/b/a, not the corporate name. Attorney Fredericks stated yes. Commissioner Mullen made a motion to approve the application to change the name. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
3. **Approval of the 2015 Common Victualler Licenses** – Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve and issue the licenses for Target Corporation and Skater's Edge. Commissioner Mullen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
4. **Approval of the 2015 Amusement Device Licenses – Game Time.** Detective Lt. McCabe stated that he went to the mall and examined the games. Everything appears to be in order. Commissioner Mullen made a motion to approve the application for amusement devices. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

5. **New Business – Taunton Sports Club.** Appearing before the Board was Attorney Alan Medeiros and members of the Taunton Sports Club, and the potential tenants from Chez Fehmi's Bistro: Mark Cannella and Fehmi Khalifa. Attorney Medeiros stated that he was seeking approval from the Board for the contract between the Taunton Sports Club and Chez Fehmi's Bistro and a change of license type. Due to publication deadlines, the change of license type would be before the Board during the February meeting. Attorney Medeiros stated that agreement would allow the tenant to sell the food and the club to sell the alcohol. Chairman Lamb asked if there would be two cash registers and Attorney Medeiros said yes. Commissioner Mullen questioned who would serve the alcohol. Attorney Medeiros stated that the wait staff of the restaurant would be able to serve the alcohol, if trained. Chairman Lamb asked who the servers would be employed by. Attorney Medeiros stated the restaurant. Chairman Lamb stated that this would be a problem. Detective Lt. McCabe stated that it wasn't a problem under the terms of the agreement. Chairman Lamb asked what would happen with an underaged violator? Detective Lt. McCabe stated that it would belong to the licensee, Taunton Sports Club. Attorney Medeiros agreed. Chairman Lamb stated that he did not agree. Commissioner Thomas stated that they wanted to make sure there wasn't an issue down the road and the parties end up pointing fingers. Commissioner Mullen stated that he felt that the Taunton Sports Club holds the license and if they are okay with the agreement, then it falls on them. They would have to accept all the consequences. It may be best if the Club serves the alcohol and the tenant serves the food. Chairman Lamb asked Detective Lt. McCabe if he thought there would be any issues if this went to the state. Detective Lt. McCabe stated that it did not have to go to the state but if the Board approved the agreement, then the Club could only serve members and guests until the type of license change is approved. Chairman Lamb stated that would give the Club time to work out any issues that may arise. There was a further discussion regarding the hours of the kitchen. Attorney Medeiros indicated that the Club would be looking to keep the same hours when they apply for the restaurant license. Chairman Lamb asked who would hold the Common Victualler license. Detective Lt. McCabe stated Chez Fehmi's Bistro. Attorney Medeiros had asked if the Board could approve the Common Victualler License this evening. The Recording Secretary stated that the application had previously been submitted, but the approval held back until the current matter was clarified. Commissioner Mullen made a motion to accept the agreement between Taunton Sports Club and their new tenant. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Commissioner Thomas asked Attorney Medeiros to bring with him next month a fully executed copy of the Agreement. Commissioner Mullen made a motion to approve the Common Vicuttaller License. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

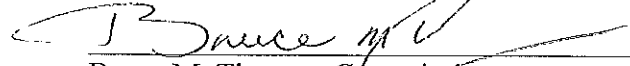
Commissioner Mullen made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.



Peter C. Lamb, Chairman



Brendan P. Mullen, Commissioner



Bruce M. Thomas, Commissioner