



CITY OF TAUNTON  
LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING

June 4, 2015  
8:02 a.m.

PRESENT:

Chairman Peter Lamb  
Commissioner Bruce Thomas

For the Police Department:  
Detective Dennis Smith  
Sergeant Carlos Silva

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Lamb at 8:02 a.m.

1. **Taunton Eagles Soccer Club** – Appearing on behalf of Taunton Eagles Soccer Club was Michael Borges, President. Chairman Lamb stated that the application was for their annual Holy Ghost Feast and asked Mr. Borges why he didn't show up for the regular meeting of the License Commission that was held on June 21<sup>st</sup> and Mr. Borges replied that he didn't know the matter was on the agenda for the 21<sup>st</sup>. Chairman Lamb told Mr. Borges that this was his third time applying for the special permit and he should have known. Commissioner Bruce Thomas told Mr. Borges that it was his job to make sure he was put on the agenda and to show up for the meeting. Mr. Borges stated he understands.

Detective Dennis Smith stated the permit would be for the sale of wine and malt indoors only and Mr. Borges stated that is correct. Detective Smith suggested that Mr. Borges put up some portable lighting in a designated crossing area as well as a police detail or volunteer to assist pedestrians in crossing the street to get to the feast. This police detail would be separate and in addition to the two detail officers that will be out back. Detective Smith stated that there were problems with patrons being on the premises after the close of the feast in the past and that all patrons must be off the premises at the close of the feast. Detective Smith stated that there should be a definite time for the sale of alcohol. Chairman Lamb stated that the last sale of alcohol would be ½ hour before closing, which would be 11:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 9:30 p.m. on Sunday. Sergeant Silva stated there have been no incidents at the feast in the past, but that they have had a problem with patrons staying later than the event closing. He is satisfied with the two person detail. Anybody not working should leave by 12:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 10:00 p.m. on Sunday. The band needs to stop performing fifteen minutes before

closing each night. Detective Smith stated that if there were any incidents on Friday that they may need to up the number of police details on Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Borges stated okay. Commissioner Thomas suggested that if Mr. Borges were to use volunteers to assist at the crossing area that the volunteers wear fluorescent vests for safety. Mr. Borges stated that he would like to use police detail for the crossing area and that he would be discussing it with his club members. Chairman Lamb stated since there is no actual crosswalk in the area, the crossing area should be clearly identified for pedestrians.


Chairman Lamb made a motion to approve the application for a special permit and Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Lamb motions to adjourn. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 a.m.



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Peter C. Lamb, Chairman



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Bruce M. Thomas, Commissioner