



CITY OF TAUNTON

LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

September 16, 2015

7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Chairman Peter Lamb

Commissioner Brendan Mullen

Commissioner Bruce Thomas

For the Police Department:

Detective Dennis Smith

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

1. Minutes of the meetings from August 26, 2015. Motion made by Commissioner Mullen to accept the minutes. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Thomas. Motion passed unanimously.
2. **Ruby Tuesday, Inc. d/b/a Ruby Tuesday – Application for a Change of Manager.** Appearing before the Board is Timothy Mulson from Ruby Tuesday. Chairman Lamb asked Mr. Mulson if he had been a manager previously. Mr. Mulson stated that he has been a general manager for about 10 years. Commissioner Mullen made a motion to approve the application for a change of manager. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
3. **Holy Ghost Society of East Taunton, Inc., MA – Application for a Special Permit.** Appearing before the Board is Edward Valadao, President of the Holy Ghost Society. Chairman Lamb inquired as to what was the event being held. Mr. Valadao stated that it was an outside wedding on by invitation only. Chairman Lamb inquired about police details. Detective Smith stated that details were not needed. Chairman Lamb asked what was the control plan for the alcohol beverages. Mr. Valadao stated that he would be in control. There would be two bartenders serving inside and no

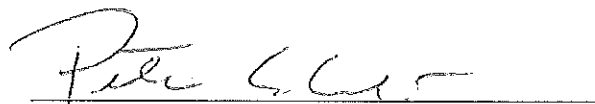
outside serving. Mr. Valadao stated that he would be doing ground control and keeping an eye on things. Commissioner Mullen made a motion to approve the application for a special alcohol license for September 26, 2015 between the hours of noon and 6:00 p.m. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Mr. Valadao asked for some clarification in determining a change of the premises. He stated that they were thinking of putting up a small 4 foot wall as a privacy barrier in front of the doors leading to the bathrooms. Chairman Lamb stated that the club could issue a letter to the Board notifying them of the change and the Board would send a detective out and inspect it.

4. **Roman Catholic Bishop of Fall River, a corporation sole doing business as Coyle & Cassidy High School – Application for a Common Victualler License.** Appearing before the Board was Deborah Klugh, Treasurer of the CC Athletic Association. Mrs. Klugh was seeking to obtain a license for their mobile food truck to be used at Hopewell Park. Commissioner Thomas made a motion to approve the application for a Common Victualler license. Commissioner Mullen seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
5. **OV’s Restaurant, Inc. –** The Board received a communication requesting a change of hours of operation. Chairman Lamb stated that the owner/manager had appeared before the Board last month and was instructed to send in a communication informing the Board of the hours he intended to open his restaurant. Chairman Lamb asked Detective Smith if he had any concerns and Detective Smith said there were none. The hours are Monday, Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and closed on Tuesdays. Commissioner Mullen made a motion to accept the change of hours for OV’s restaurant. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
6. **Bobby’s Place, Inc. –** The Board received a communication from manager Denise Asack requesting an extension of their closing hours from 1:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. for one night on Wednesday, November 25, 2015. Chairman Lamb asked Detective Smith his thoughts. Detective Smith stated that he checked the prior year’s schedule and that there were two detail officers hired for that night before Thanksgiving. Detective Smith further stated that Bobby’s Place would need two details again this year. Chairman Lamb stated that hiring two police officers did not seem unreasonable. Commissioner Thomas agreed if that was what had been done the year prior. Commissioner Mullen made a motion to approve the extension of hours with the understanding that Bobby’s Place will meet the detail requirements of two officers. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
7. **Round One Entertainment, Inc. doing business as Round 1 Bowling & Amusement – Request for Reduction of Fees.** Detective Smith stated that he checked with the Town of Braintree which has a similar business, Dave & Busters. Dave & Busters has 170 machines and is charged \$100 per machine with no discount given. Discussion regarding a reduction of fees. Detective Smith suggested a sliding

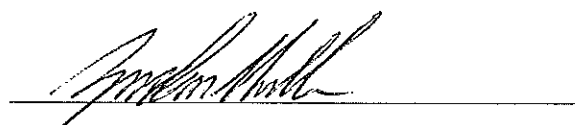
scale of \$100 for the first 100 machines and \$50.00 for every machine after that. Chairman Lamb suggested \$75 for the first 100 machines and 50 for every device thereafter. Commissioner Thomas stated that he would try that for the first year. Chairman Lamb agreed for the first year. Commissioner Mullen asked what the downside was for the City if there were 300 machines. Detective Smith stated that Detective Lt. McCabe needed to inspect them all; that perhaps it would be a good idea to come up with a sticker of some sort for each machine so that they do not swap them out. Commissioner Thomas suggested something similar to what the gas stations have on the pumps. Detective Smith stated that Chairman Lamb's suggestion of \$75 for the first 100 machines isn't fair for anyone who has less than 100 machines and is paying \$100/machine. Chairman Lamb suggested \$100 for the first 75 games and \$50.00 for every machine after that. Commissioner Mullen asked if the Board needed to adopt this unilaterally and amend the by-laws. Commissioner Thomas suggested trying this for a year before we change the by-laws. Chairman Lamb made a motion that for this one year license, machines 1-75 would be \$100 per machine and machines 76 and up will be \$50.00 per machine. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

8. **New Business** – Discussion of the Downtown Taunton Foundation, Inc. and the scheduling of a special meeting.

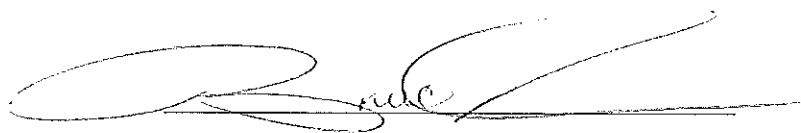
Commissioner Mullen made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Thomas seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.



Peter C. Lamb, Chairman



Brendan P. Mullen, Commissioner



Bruce M. Thomas, Commissioner