



CITY OF TAUNTON
BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
MINUTES OF THE MEETING

June 15, 2022 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

- Peter C. Lamb, Chairman
- Steven Turner, Commissioner
- Det. Sergeant Joseph Marques

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Lamb.

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Commissioner Turner makes a motion to accept the minutes from May 18, 2022. Chairman Lamb seconds the motion. Unanimously passed.

Taunton Eagles Soccer Club, 29 Oak Street – Application for a Special Permit for July 29th and 30th from 6:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. and July 31st from 3:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.:

Manager Michael Borges present on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Borges states that the club decided that they would like to remove Friday July 29th from the application. They also would like to start at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday the 31st. Mr. Borges states that the security will be the same as in the past with 3 officers for details and they are going to be using wristbands and changing the color for each day. Det. Sergeant Marques has checked with Sergeant Medas and the details are right on track with what they have done in the past.

Commissioner Turner makes a motion to grant the Application for a Special Permit for the 30th and 31st from 6:00 -12:00 on Saturday and 2:00 – 10:00 on Sunday. Chairman Lamb seconds the motion. Unanimously passed.

US Future Leadership Foundation, 1 Porter Street – Application for a Special Permit for July 23, 2022 from 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.:

Peter Dong and Yanna White present on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Dong states that his organization mainly works with children. They have a before and after school program where they utilize martial arts as a main core course to educate children. This event is to raise money to help single fathers. He says they have been in Taunton for 7 years. He states that a lot of the problems children have originate from home. He states that the funds raised will be used to educate fathers and help get them back to their original state. Mr. Dong states there will be 8 acts. He states that the entire premises will be enclosed and the event will be for 21 plus. They would like to have a

beer garden in a fenced in area within the fenced in premises. Tickets will be sold online and that different bracelets would be given out based on the ticket that is purchased for different classes of seating. He has reached out to Det. Sergeant Marques who referred him to Sergeant Medas to discuss police details. He went before City Council last night and was referred to the Building and Fire Inspectors and Police Department for details. Chairman Lamb is concerned with the fencing and the alcohol. He states that he can't remember having a fenced in event and is concerned for the safety of patrons in case they need to evacuate for safety. Mr. Dong states that there will be another exit that they could open up. He expects a maximum of 600 people. Mr. Dong states that he is working with plaza management to use the parking lot behind his parcel for parking for the event. Chairman Lamb wants the applicant to reach out to the police, fire and building inspectors with his plan to get their input. Commissioner Turner recognizes the good work that Mr. Dong is doing and that he is doing a great job with the kids. He feels that 600 is a lot of people. Mr. Dong states that he will work with the Police Department for details and he will have black belts working security as well. Chairman Lamb states that this is the first time this type of event has come before the License Commission and he wants police, fire and building to provide guidance to the applicant and sign off. Det. Sergeant Marques feels that parking is a big issue and cars have been towed from the parking lot he would like to use. Mr. Dong states that he believes that since they are a non-profit, there is a charter service that can be provided by the City as a backup plan. Chairman Lamb states that the applicant needs to go before council to get permission for the entertainment.

Commissioner Turner makes a motion to approve the Application for a Special Permit for July 23, 2022 pending receipt of the following: Police, Sergeant Medas and Fire Department sign offs and something in writing giving approval for parking at the old Taunton mall. Chairman Lamb seconds the motion. Unanimously passed.

Ugly Duckling – Request to close July 3 through July 16 for cleaning and maintenance:

Commissioner Turner makes a motion to approve the closing from July 3rd through the 16th. Chairman Lamb seconds the motion. Unanimously passed.

OV's Restaurant – request to close early on July 16, 2022:

Commissioner Turner make a motion to approve OV's request to close early on July 16, 2022. Chairman Lamb seconds the motion. Unanimously passed.

Applications for Common Victualler Licenses:

- Guchanya Pastry, LLC, 219 School Street
- DOJE Enterprises d/b/a Edible Arrangements, 537 County Street, Unit #1
- Lucky House, 73 Winthrop St.
- Grilla, LLC, 224 Broadway
- Bento Nouveau Inc. d/b/a Bento Sushi, 255 Joseph E. Warner Blvd.
- Galligan Elementary School, 15 Sheridan Street
- Chamberlain Elementary School, 480 Norton Ave.
- Taunton High School, 50 Williams Street
- Parker Middle School, 60 Williams Street
- Bennett Elementary School, 47 North Walker Street
- Mulcahey Elementary School, 28 Clifford Street
- Martin Middle School, 131 Caswell Street
- East Taunton Elementary School, 58 Stevens Street
- E. Pole Elementary School, 215 Harris Street
- Friedman Middle School, 500 Norton Ave.

Commissioner Turner makes a motion to approve the list as read. Chairman Lamb seconds the motion. Unanimously passed.

Failed to apply/renew Common Victualler Licenses:

- Devito's Pizzeria, 4 Taunton Green
- Paul Machado's Catering, 36 Davis Street

Det. Sergeant Marques states that he spoke with both applicants and they advised that they would turn in their application by June 15th.

Commissioner Turner makes a motion to start the fines today and suspend if received by June 22nd. Chairman Lamb seconds the motion. Unanimously passed.

Holy Ghost Society of East Taunton, 545 Middleborough Ave. – Application for Special Permit for July 8th and 9th from 5:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. and July 10th from 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.:

Attorney Joseph deMello is not present. Chairman Lamb states that is a long running event, Attorney deMello has been appearing before the Board for many years and the application is complete. He doesn't see anything different from prior years and has no problem approving the application as submitted. Det. Sergeant Marques states that he has checked with Sergeant Medas and the details have already been ordered and are in place.

Commissioner Turner makes a motion to approve the application for a special permit for the Holy Ghost Society of East Taunton. Chairman Lamb seconds the motion. Unanimously passed.

Old Business/New Business: Det. Sergeant Marques states that they police department received 2 noise complaints for The District from Mr. Sidor for music after 11:00 pm. Chairman Lamb asks Det. Sergeant Marques to find out if officers were dispatched to the District and to find out what types of bands are playing.

Commissioner Turner makes a motion to listen to Det. Sergeant Marques report next week. Chairman Lamb seconds the motion. Unanimously passed.

Commissioner Turner makes a motion to adjourn. Chairman Lamb seconds the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.



Peter C. Lamb, Chairman



Steven Turner, Commissioner