

Newburyport License Commission REMOTE Meeting

December 6, 2023 7:00pm

In Attendance: Bruce Bergwall, Ted Waldron, and Gregg Ogdon. Marcia Foley absent.

Roll Call

1. Nominees for new Chair of the Licensing Commission and votes- Ted Waldron made the nomination of Gregg Ogdon to be the new Chair of the Licensing Commission and put it out for a vote. Bruce Bergwall seconded the vote. We had a quorum to make the vote. Gregg Ogdon is officially the new chair for the Licensing Board.

2. One Day Liquor Licenses

a. Newburyport Art Association, *Event; Holiday Party & Artist Reception*, One day Beer & Wine, December 8, 2024. *Place of Event; 65 Water St*, from 4:00pm-6:00pm. Lisa Naas or Max is representing. ONE-23-85

Max Scheck, Vice President of the Newburyport Art Association is representing for the 3 events for their one-day licenses. The event is a holiday party, beer and wine event. The number of people attending is changes from 75-100pp. It will be in the Sargent Galley with 1 Tipp bartender. Same diagram and arrangement they have used in the past. Lisa Naas will be at the event, and Scott Simmons president of the board. Moving forward we will like to meet with the person who will be at the event. We have a concern for the amount of people attending is changing and will add an amendment to each of these applications.

Ted Waldron makes a motion to approve all 3, Bruce Bergwall seconded the motion.

b. Newburyport Art Association, *Event; Reception & Thank You Party*, One day Beer & Wine, January 19, 2024. *Place of Event; 65 Water St*, from 4:00pm-6:00pm. Lisa Naas or Max is representing. ONE-23-86

Max Scheck, Vice President of the Newburyport Art Association is representing for the 3 events for their one-day licenses. The event is a holiday party, beer and wine event. The number of people attending is changes from 75-100pp. It will be in the Sargent Galley with 1 Tipp bartender. Same diagram and arrangement they have used in the past. Lisa Naas will be

at the event, and Scott Simmons president of the board. Moving forward we will like to meet with the person who will be at the event. We have a concern for the amount of people attending is changing and will add an amendment to each of these applications.

Ted Waldron makes a motion to approve all 3, Bruce Bergwall seconded the motion.

c. Newburyport Art Association, *Event; Master Artist Opening Reception, One day Beer & Wine, January 20, 2024. Place of Event; 65 Water St, from 5:00pm-7:00pm.* Lisa Naas or Max is representing. ONE-23-87

Max Scheck, Vice President of the Newburyport Art Association is representing for the 3 events for their one-day licenses. The event is a holiday party, beer and wine event. The number of people attending is changes from 75-100pp. It will be in the Sargent Galley with 1 Tipp bartender. Same diagram and arrangement they have used in the past. Lisa Naas will be at the event, and Scott Simmons president of the board. Moving forward we will like to meet with the person who will be at the event. We have a concern for the amount of people attending is changing and will add an amendment to each of these applications.

Ted Waldron makes a motion to approve all 3, Bruce Bergwall seconded the motion.

3. New Alcohol license

a. Banter Barber Shop. 23-2 (please note this does not have a prefix at the beginning of record number)

Rob Ciampitti, Jr. Esq-Liberty Law is representing Banter Barber Shop. This is a new liquor license, pour application for a club license. The owner and founder Eric Eramo_They went in front of the Planning board and has received a special permit before they could talk about a liquor application. This would be the first alcohol service and license that would occupy only the front, most State St portion of their retail section. This is the only area they are seeking to serve alcohol for patrons waiting for haircuts, services and shopping. This will not be a bar or restaurant but adding an innovative use of adding the hospitality of alcoholic beverage service. Hope is this will trigger additional patrons to come in and enjoy. Concerns from the board has been since a bartender will not be serving the alcohol, who will be monitoring the serving of alcohol to underage patrons or intoxicated patrons walking in. It has been explained this is a single position space, where the checkout counter is shown in diagram. The alcohol will be served by one of the managers/Principals/owners Eric and Tom Eramo._Store closes almost every day by 8pm. Owners are NOT Tipp certified yet. It was discussed by the board to have one Tipp Certified bartender attending bar. Stress that no one can walk off the street and get a drink. The owners want to educate the public and know they can only get a drink if they are in for services or shopping. This does not mean they have to buy something. The license will not reflect this. Outdoor seating is not included.

Bruce Bergwall makes a motion to approve, Ted Waldron second the motion.

Change of Manager

Neptune Veteran's Firemen's Association – LIC-23-42 Representing is Kevin Parseghian

Kevin Parseghian represented a change of manager for the Neptune Veteran's Firemen Association from William J. Anderson to Charlie LeBuff. All ABCC paperwork has been submitted. The Neptune has been under a new administration. This is the second year Charlie LeBuff has been acting as bar manager. Charlie LeBuff has experience serving and managing the bar for several years. He is TIPP certified. One person has to be listed as the manager. The board consists of 5 board members.

Ted Waldron makes a motion to approve, Bruce Bergwall seconded the motion.

Lodging

Garrison Inn LODG-23-1 Joy McFarland. No one showed up from Garrison Inn. They have applied for a lodging application.

Other correspondents- Bruce Vogel is inquiring regarding the renewal of the Common Victualler, he is in the process of selling his coffee shop out on Plum Island. It is recommended he renew his Common Victualler license and the city will prorate the fee. The new owner should apply once the sale goes through for their own Common Victualler license. The Chairman did explain that if the sale does not go through before January 1st Bruce Vogel has to renew his license.

Renewal Alcohol License

Agave, Anchor Pizza, Angie's, Bar 25, Black Cow, Black Duck Market, Elks, Brine, Brown Sugar by the Sea, Carmine, Cozy Kimchi, Dalton Club, Garrison Inn, Giuseppe's, Grand Trunk, Grog, Hana Japan, Heally's Wine, House Bear Brewing, Jewel in the Crown, Joppa Fine Foods, Leary's, Lexie on state, Loretta's, Mandarava, Metzy's, Michael's Harborside, Mission Oak, Mr. India, Newburyport Brewing, New England Wine & Spirits, North end Boat Club, Neptune, Nu Kitchen, Oregano, Paddle Inn, Park Lunch, Port Tavern, Port Wine & Spirit, Richdales, Riverwalk Brew, Sea Level, Starboard, Storey Ave Shell, The Cormorant, The Poynt, Thirsty Whale, Tuscan Kitchen, Joy Nest, Porta Vida, The Goat, Vera's

The board has heard all the licenses. The chair has brought up the point that at least one board member stops in and introduces themselves to see what they are licensing. They will divide and conquer to meet the owners.

Bruce Bergwall motion to approve the renewal of alcohol licenses for the above list of restaurants. Ted Waldron seconded the motion

1. Miscellaneous

1. Minutes November 1 ,2023

Ted Waldron makes a motion for accepting November's minutes, Bruce Bergwall seconded.

2. Next meeting date: January 3, 2024

Board agreed to make the January meeting for Zoom but the following meetings will be in person and also offered on ZOOM.

Adjourn at 8.02pm

Gregg Ogdon makes the motion to adjourn, Bruce Bergwall seconds the motion.