

**City of Newburyport License Commission
Remote Meeting Minutes via Zoom
November 3, 2021**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.
A quorum was present.

Roll Call

In attendance: Bruce Bergwall, Gregg Ogden, Ted Waldron, Craig Holt
1 vacancy - Betty Jacques has resigned as she has changed residency.

2. Change of Manager

- a. Tuscan Kitchen Newburyport, 38 Rear Merrimac Street

Corey Heagarty appeared as the new manager for Tuscan Kitchen. He has been with them since 2019. He has managed restaurants in Portsmouth and Portland.

Motion to approve the Change of Manager by Gregg Ogden, seconded by Bruce Bergwall. So voted on a roll call vote:

Bruce Bergwell: Yes Gregg Ogden: Yes Ted Waldron: Yes Craig Holt: Yes

3. Transfer of License and Pledge of License

- a. Thirsty Whale, 24-26 Market Square

Stephanie Romano and Haven Marceau appeared to request the transfer of license. They will be taking the business over. Stephanie has worked there for thirteen years as a bartender. She wants to get the business back open through Covid. Stephanie is the owner and Haven will be the general manager. Stephanie is also a dispatcher with the Georgetown Police department and a part time dispatcher in Newburyport. She will leave the full time position to be at the business, expecting 40 to 60 hours per week. They plan to open from 4pm to 12am Sunday through Thursday and 11am to 12am Thursday through Saturday. They are retaining one other employee. They will not have wait service and the floor plan is the same.

Motion to approve Transfer of License and Pledge of License by Ted Waldron, seconded by Bruce Bergwall. So voted on a roll call vote:

Bruce Bergwell: Yes Gregg Ogden: Yes Ted Waldron: Yes Craig Holt: Yes

4. New Alcohol License

- a. Nu Kitchen, 19 Pleasant Street

Joshua Van Dyke appeared for a new license for Nu Kitchen. He opened a restaurant with Beer & Wine in 2008 in Worcester that he ran and managed and opened another in 2016 in Somerville with full alcohol. It will be fast, casual and healthy food. They plan to be open 7:30am to 10pm Sunday to Saturday, serving alcohol from 8am and from 10am on Sundays. It is not a bar feel but a healthy, upbeat place. They will stress local and organic food.

Motion to approve the New Alcohol License by Gregg Ogden, seconded by Ted Waldron. So voted on a roll call vote:

Bruce Bergwell: Yes Gregg Ogden: Yes Ted Waldron: Yes Craig Holt: Yes

5. One Day Licenses

- a. Harborside Half Marathon, Flora's Hospitality, LLC, Beer and Wine, Nov. 21, 2021

Andrew Li appeared to represent Loco Running for the one day license. He is the beverage caterer for this event. Michael St. Laurent is the organizer of the event. The event starts at 9:30am and they will be serving beer and water. All servers are serve safe, will check ids, they will be using bracelets. Beverages stay within the fenced area. Only 21 and over can enter the beer area. Monitors at both entrance and exit. Everyone gets one beer. Commission requested 4 TIPs servers and 3 police officers.

Motion to approve the One Day license contingent on 4 TIPs certificates and 3 police officers by Ted Waldron, seconded by Gregg Ogden. So voted on a roll call vote:

Bruce Bergwell: Yes Gregg Ogden: Yes Ted Waldron: Yes Craig Holt: Yes

- b. Emergency approval Parks Dept Pumpkin Palooza, Beer and Wine, Oct. 23, 2021
- c. Emergency approval Sports Medicine North opening, Beer and Wine, Oct. 26, 2021

Craig Holt, as chairman, approved the two one day licenses on an emergency approval.

6. Miscellaneous

- a. Michael's Harborside submitted a notice for changing their winter hours.
- b. The ABCC has begun online processing of applications for all communities.
- c. North of Boston legal advertisement bill.
- d. There was a public information request on the initial licensing of Market Street Inn at 22-24 Market Street.

6. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm by Bruce Bergwall, seconded by Ted Waldron. So voted on a roll call vote, 4 yes.

Respectfully submitted by Lynn Varney