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LICENSING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A meeting of the Salem Licensing Board was held on Monday, February 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., via ZOOM, an online video conference call system. Present on call were: Chairman Gary Barrett, members Deb Greel and Gary Santo, Jr., Clerk of the Board, Melissa Pagliaro and Special Investigator to the Board, Sgt. John Doyle.

1. Transfer of an Annual All Alcohol License at 94 Lafayette St. Applicant: MP Restaurant and Bar Corp. for license currently held by SKF Hospitality Group, Inc. d/b/a Stella's Restaurant & Wine Bar. Continued from previous meeting.

    Ms. Pagliaro said that this application has had a number of continuations. She said that the applicants are still trying to secure financing and suggests that the Board could move to continue this one last time before they have to start the application process over. Mr. Santo motioned for one more continuance until the February 22 meeting. Ms. Greel seconded. Mr. Barrett said the motion carries. Vote was confirmed by a roll call vote, 3-0.

2. Application for a Common Victualler's License. Applicant: McDonalds, 1 Traders Way.

    Ms. Pagliaro said that all the paperwork is in order and she is just waiting on the Routing slip and the return of the CORI's. She said they have had this McDonald's for a little over a year but didn't realize they had to apply for the license but are getting everything in order now. Ms. Greel motioned to approve contingent upon the paperwork being completed. Mr. Santo seconded. Mr. Barrett said motion carries. Vote was confirmed by a roll call vote, 3-0.

3. Application for a Transfer of an Annual All Alcohol License. Applicant: All Souls, Inc. d/b/a All Souls, formerly Cilantro, 282 Derby Street.

    Pat Shultz and Jennifer Tran introduced themselves and reviewed the plan for this new restaurant. The restaurant is proposed to be full-service food and alcohol. Ms. Greel asked when they would be opening. Mr. Schultz said they would like to open in June. Ms. Pagliaro said that Mr. Schultz has had a few restaurants in Salem before this and is an experienced restauranteur. Ms. Greel motioned to approve the transfer. Mr. Santo seconded. Mr. Barrett said motion carries. Vote was confirmed by a roll call vote, 3-0.

4. A) Open Meeting Law Complaint: Did not receive copy of response to 11/1/20 complaint and non-posting of 12/14/20 minutes as of 1/21/21. B) Request to amend minutes of 12/14/20. Complainant: Heather Famico.

    Ms. Famico said she's glad training is happening and that she wants residents to be able to access things easily. Mr. Barrett said that is a reasonable expectation.

    In response to the complaint, Ms. Pagliaro reported that:

    A) Minutes of 12/14/20 have been posted online. She now has access to post onto the website. She will no longer need to rely on others. Board was asked to vote to authorize the Solicitor to

notify Ms. Famico of such and to also include the previous OML response which she did not receive. The letter will also cc the Atty. Gen's office.

B) Ms. Famico's request is to amend the draft meeting minutes of 12/14 to reflect that Ms. Famico's complaint of 11/1/20 was that the minutes of 9/28/20 and 10/13/20 were not posted. The Board was asked to vote to include Ms. Famico's 11/1/20 complaint as part of the minutes posted online and to amend text to describe the complaint as filed.

Ms. Greel motioned to approve the above-mentioned responses, A and B. Mr. Santo seconded. Mr. Barrett said motion carries. Vote was confirmed by a roll call vote, 3-0.

5. New Business/Old Business:
*Mr. Santo asked if we could drop the S at the end of his name on the updated letterhead.
*Sgt. Doyle and Ms. Pagliaro let the Board know that they and Ms. Rennard met with owners and abutters of 10 Howard St. and will report to the Board on February 22nd.

6. Adjournment