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The Haverhill License Commission held a Meeting on Thursday March 14, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. Room 301, City Hall.

Attendees: Chairman Edwards, Commissioner Sewell and Commissioner Carter Clerk Laura Angus

1. <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>

2. <u>APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:</u>

- A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 3, 2019
- B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 7, 2019

2A and 2B were taken together. Motion to approve the minutes of January 3, 2019 and February 7, 2019 made by Commissioner Carter, seconded by Commissioner Sewell. No public comment on this matter. Vote unanimous, motion passed.

3. <u>CONTINUED BUSINESS</u>

NO SCHEDULE

4. <u>MISCELLANEOUS APPLICATIONS/REQUESTS</u>

NO SCHEDULE

5. <u>One Day Applications</u>

ALLISON GAGNE NORTHERN ESSEX COMMUNITY COLLEGE 100 ELLIOTT STREET <u>APPLICATION FOR ONE DAY WINES AND MALT ONLY LICENSE FOR AMESBURY EDUCATION</u> <u>FOUNDATION EVENT ON MAY 10, 2019 FROM 5:00 PM – 10:00 PM AT NORTHERN ESSEX COMMUNITY</u> <u>COLLEGE, 100 ELLIOTT STREET, TECHNOLOGY CENTER</u>

Allison Gagne appeared on this application and described the event. Butlers and Bars will be doing the serving. Motion to approve the application made by Commissioner Carter, seconded by Commissioner Sewell. No public comment on this matter. Vote unanimous, motion passed.

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6. ENTERTAINMENT APPLICATIONS

A. PETER MICHEL, MANAGER ANTONELLA GROUP, LLC, D/B/A PIZZA EXPRESS 691 SOUTH MAIN STREET <u>APPLICATION FOR NEW ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE FOR TELEVISION – PENDING RECEIPT OF</u> <u>CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION</u>

Agenda Items 6A and 7 were heard together. Peter Michel appeared on this application together with Wahid Kairalla the current owner. Mr. Michel described the business and his experience. Chairman Edwards inquired if he wanted to add anything to the Entertainment License besides TV. Mr. Michel responded no. Motion to approve the applications made by Commissioner Sewell, seconded by Commissioner Carter. No public comment on this matter. Vote unanimous, motion passed.

B. BRIAN MURPHY, MANAGER

UNO OF HAVERHILL, INC., D/B/A UNO PIZZERIA & GRILL 30 Cushing Avenue <u>Application for Amendment of Entertainment License to add Performance,</u> <u>including live bands, with up to three instruments and up to 3 vocal performers,</u> <u>Comedy show with one comedian and Trivia to the Television already approved</u>

Brian Murphy appeared on the application. The Commission inquired as to whether there were any additional items to add. Amplified music was added as they already use amplified music, but it is not on their license. Motion to approve the application, as amended, made by Commissioner Sewell, seconded by Commissioner Carter. No public comment on this matter. Vote unanimous, motion passed.

7. <u>COMMON VICTUALLER APPLICATIONS</u>

PETER MICHEL, MANAGER ANTONELLA GROUP, LLC, D/B/A PIZZA EXPRESS 691 SOUTH MAIN STREET <u>Application for Transfer of Victualler License – Pending receipt certificate of</u> <u>INSPECTION, DISCONTINUANCE OF BUSINESS CERTIFICATE BY WAHID KAIRALLA, D/B/A PIZZA</u> <u>EXPRESS AND ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS CERTIFICATE TO ANTONELLA GROUP, LLC, D/B/A PIZZA</u> <u>EXPRESS</u>

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8. OUTDOOR DINING APPLICATIONS

NO SCHEDULE

9. ALCOHOL/ABCC APPLICATIONS

Phillip Charles Bentham, II, Manager Hidden Pig LLC, d/b/a The Hidden Pig 130 Washington Street **Application for change of hours on Sunday to 10:00 AM to 1:00 AM**

Philip Bentham appeared on this application. He is looking to push his current hours of 11:00 Am to 1:00 AM on Sunday to 10:00 AM to 1:00 AM for brunch. They currently have a line waiting to get in for brunch on Sunday. It would be beneficial to the business to change these hours. Motion to approve the applications made by Commissioner Carter, seconded by Commissioner Sewell. No public comment on this matter. Vote unanimous, motion passed.

10. MOTOR VEHICLE APPLICATIONS

NO SCHEDULE

11. CARRY IN LICENSE APPLICATIONS

NO SCHEDULE

12. <u>ITEM FOR DISCUSSION</u>

A. JAMES TEAGUE, MANAGER
HAVERHILL FORD LLC, D/B/A AUTOFAIR FORD OF HAVERHILL
501 BROADWAY
ITEM FOR DISCUSSION: POSSIBLE VIOLATION OF NUMBER OF CARS AS LISTED IN LICENSE

Agenda Items 12A and 12B were taken together. Thomas Bridgewater, Haverhill Building Commissioner gave a time line of the actions taken by the Code Team for the City of Haverhill starting in February of 2018, including a count of vehicles on February 15, 2019, when he counted between 750 - 775 cars on the lot, they are approved by 646 cars. They are blocking emergency vehicles, there are too many cars on the lot and they found no cars on Newark Street. They are investigating the storage on Newark Street. Chairman Edwards stated that he has been on the lot himself, the latest on Tuesday and it was very congested. Inspector Richard Wentworth from the Haverhill Fire Department also spoke about the congestion on the lot. He could not get his pickup truck through the lot and it would not be possible to get a fire truck through the lot. There is a concern for life safety of customers and employees. Commissioner Carter inquired if the congestion was solely vehicles or if snow was an issue. The answer was slowly. If there was a fire, there would be a catastrophe with large losses. Commissioner Sewell inquired which license they would like to keep as they do not appear to be able to maintain the numbers. Jose Oliver from AutoFair Subaru and James Teague from AutoFair Ford both appeared on this matter. Jose Oliver stated that on any given day they could have 550 - 700 cars. They are storing cars on Newark Street. He took an inventory of the cars on site today. James Teague also had an inventory of cars on site. They stated they would move more cars to Newark Street. They are also looking at a commercial property to store their vehicles. Chairman Edwards stated they could not have more than 649 cars on the lot (Clerk corrected this number to 646 cars) for customers, employees and cars. Commissioner Sewell indicated that perhaps they should have only approved the license for 600 or 575 cars. They need to ask themselves every time they are on the lot what if they needed to get a fire truck, five fire trucks or an ambulance on the lot and make sure they maintain an open path. Chairman Edwards inquired if they would be ready with an answer by the April 4th meeting. They stated yes. Building Commissioner Bridgewater indicated that the Director of

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Health and Inspectional Services will send people to count cars. Motion to continue this discussion until the April (4th meeting to see if it is resolved made by Commissioner Sewell, seconded by Commissioner Carter. No public comment on this matter. Vote unanimous, motion passed. Commissioner Sewell also indicated that they needed to keep the car numbers to 646 until then.

B. JOSE OLIVER, MANAGER HAVERHILL SUBARU, LLC, D/B/A AUTOFAIR SUBARU 503 BROADWAY <u>ITEM FOR DISCUSSION: POSSIBLE VIOLATION OF NUMBER OF CARS AS LISTED IN LICENSE</u>

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13. <u>Show Cause Hearings</u>

NO SCHEDULE

14. <u>COMMUNICATIONS</u>

NO SCHEDULE

15. <u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</u>

16. OTHER BUSINESS

No Schedule

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 PM

Attest: _____Laura D Angus_____

Laura D Angus, Clerk