

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD
BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS
Meeting of December 11, 2024

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order on December 11, 2024 at 5:31 P.M. Commissioners: Rosa Espinosa, Andrew Cade, John Ramirez and Attorney Anthony Bonavita being present and Commissioner Peter Sygnator and Maria D'Angelantonio, being absent. The meeting was held Virtual Public Hearing (ZOOM). To view Public Hearing .CH 17 on Springfield's Comcast <http://focusspringfield.com/watch/government>.

FIRST order of business: Approval of Minutes:

Approval of Minutes for Springfield Board of License Commissioners Hearing held on Monday, December 2, 2024.

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa motioned to approve. Motion seconded by Commissioner Ramirez with unanimous vote to approve.

SECOND order of business: New Petitions:

New Petition for New Annual All Alcoholic Beverages Brew Pub License for The White Lion Brewing Company LLC dba The White Lion Brewing Company located at 1500 Main St. Raymond Berry, Manager of Record.

Pro Se. and Betsy Johnson (Metro Center Association) and Tracye Whitfield

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa motioned to approved, subject to Attorney Bonavita, confirming no special permit is needed. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cade with unanimous vote to approve. Confirmed by Attorney Bonavita.

THIRD order of business:

New Petition for a New Car Dealer, Class II (Used) License for NEMC MA LLC dba New England Motor Cars located at 890 Boston Rd; Ashiq Ahamed Liyaudeen, Manager of Record.

Pro Se.

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa motioned to approved subject to Attorney Bonavita approving it. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cade with unanimous vote to approve. Attorney Bonavita confirmed.

FOURTH order of business:

New Petition for a New Car Dealer, Class II (Used) License for BBB Auto Inc dba BBB Auto Inc. located at 289-291 Mill St; Aleksandr Chuduk, Manager of Record.

Pro Se.

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa motioned to approved. Motion seconded by Commissioner Ramirez, with unanimous vote to approve.

FIFTH order of business: Informational Hearing

Wingz and Waffles located at 74 Island Pond Road; Pharoah Smalls, Manager of Record. Does not have 2024 Common Victualler License.

Pro Se.

After discussion

2024 Common Victualler License was issued but not the 2025 Common Victualler License.

SIXTH order of business:

One Day Beer & Wine Permit for December 21, 2024 - Indoor from 12PM to 12AM. Event held at 1534 State St, type of event: Customer Appreciation and Christmas Event, Staff Party - Name of Organization – Sweet Spice, Shenee Robinson or Sherlock.

Pro Se.

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa motioned to approved, NO children and bartenders are TIP certified. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cade, with unanimous vote to approve.

SEVETH order of business: Pre-Hearing Conference

Saravia Family Restaurant, Inc. dba Bueno y Sano at 415 Cooley St; Rolando Saravia, Manager of Record. Health Inspector - Intoxicated Employee - “unsanitary working conditions, cooks are intoxicated while working and not preparing food properly.” Manager of Record not on site. Manager of Record agree to the violations mention, subject to Entertainment License.

Pro Se.

After discussion:

There were consequences for the cook actions, he was suspended for a month.

EIGHTH: order of business:

Rose Ent LLC dba Rose located at 555 Worthington St; Antron Goodridge, Manager of Record; Incident of 10-26-24, Offering Entertainment after 1:00 am without a late-night Entertainment Permit; No manager of record present. Did the owner applied to be the manager of record?

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa inform Kristen Fiore to stop by the office on Thursday December 12, 2024 regarding the application for Change of Manager and the process to obtain a last night

Entertainment License from 1:00am to 2:00am. Completed application for Change of Manager not received licensee notified via email.

NINETH order of business: Section 77 – Final Hearing

Assad & Paul, LLC dba The Hookah Factory; Assad M Awan, Manager of Record. Section 77 - Regarding Liquor License / change of location.

License did not appear

After discussion:

Commissioner Espinosa motioned to continue on 1-15-25. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cade with unanimous vote to approve.

TENTH order of business: ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OF INCIDENT REPORTS

1. 350 Grill – Incident of 11-17-24

After discussion of Report – Commissioner Espinosa motioned to take No Action. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cade with unanimous vote to approve.

2. Top Shelf – Incident of 11-10-24

After discussion of Report – Commissioner Espinosa motioned to take No Action. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cade with unanimous vote to approve.

3. Pot Belly's Pub – Incident of 12-01-24

After discussion of Report – Commissioner Espinosa motioned to take No Action. Motion seconded by Commissioner Ramirez with unanimous vote to approve.

4. Solmar – Incident of 12-4-24

After discussion of Report – Commissioner Espinosa motioned to take No Action. Motion seconded by Commissioner Ramirez with unanimous vote to approve.

5. Theodore's – Incident of 11-27-24

After discussion of Report – Commissioner Ramirez motioned to take No Action. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cade with unanimous vote to approve.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:33 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Alesia H. Days, Esq.