

City of Gloucester Licensing Board Meeting Minutes May 12, 2020

City Hall Annex, 3 pond Rd. Gloucester, MA 01930

Board Members:

Melissa J. Teixeira Prince, Chairperson John T. Lamirande Brian S. Hamilton

Also In Attendance:

Alison C. Battle, Licensing Board Clerk

This evening meeting is being held via remote participation.

The Chair calls to order the Quorum of the Licensing Board at 5:30 PM

The Board members introduce themselves and the Chair discusses the remote meeting process.

The Chair asks if there are any public comments for items not on this evening's agenda and there is not.

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC HEARING:

The Chair opens the public hearing at 5:30 PM

Mile Marker One, LLC, d/b/a Mile Marker One, 75 Essex Ave. The Board will accept public comment and then consider the extension of premise request.

Tobin Dominick, 75 Essex Ave. is present to represent this application.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, she is looking to add outdoor seating for 80 people in a 2500 sq. ft area which is currently a fire lane. She states that she has spoken with the Building Commissioner, Bill Sanborn, and he is in favor of this project. The area will be fenced in with a 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ -'5' white picket fence with cement barriers and the fire lane will be moved back into the area where the first row of parking currently is located.

The Board discusses the request and the need for signatures of approval from the Building Department and Fire Department and corrections to the submitted paperwork.

The Chair closes the public hearing.

Mr. Hamilton moves to approve the request for a change of premise Mr. Lamirande seconds All in favor, 3-0

BOARD DISCUSSIONS:

The board discusses the current status of the Covid-19 social distancing regulations and the impact and restrictions to our local licensing requests. This will be discussed further once the Board has received information from the Governor and Mayor's Offices.

CHANGE OF MANAGER:

Gloucester Lodge 892 BPO of Elks, 97 Atlantic Rd.

Howard "Ted" Costa, 97 Hesperus Ave. is present to represent this application.

Mr. Costa is on the Board of Trustees of the Gloucester Lodge 892 BPO of Elks and is before the Board this evening to replace the current bar manager, David Hunt with Mr. Costa as the bar manager until they can hire a permanent bar manager.

The establishment is in the process of interviewing for a new bar manager and Mr. Costa feels that they should have one in place within the next 30 days.

The Board discusses the establishment's legal obligation to have a manager in place as Mr. Costa is concerned with not being in compliance with the law and jeopardizing the Elk's liquor license.

Mr. Hamilton moves to continue this application to the 6/11/2020 meeting, to allow the applicant to get a new manager in place.

Mr. Lamirande seconds

All in favor, 3-0

ENTERTAINMENT:

Cape Ann Brewing Company, 9 Rogers St.

No one is present to represent this application and it is continued to the 6/9/20 meeting.

SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENT:

Cape Ann Brewing Company, 9 Rogers St.

No one is present to represent this application and it is continued to the 6/9/20 meeting.

AUTOMATIC AMUSEMENT:

Cape Ann Brewing Company, 9 Rogers St.

No one is present to represent this application and it is continued to the 6/9/20 meeting.

LODGING LICENSE:

Brynmere Associates, d/b/a The Brynmere, 12 Cambridge Ave.

Elizabeth Spofford, 12 Cambridge Ave. is present to represent this application and informs the Board that their normal season of operation is from 7/1/2020 to 9/7/2020. They are currently waiting for the Governor to inform them on when they will be able to open.

Smith Cove, LLC, d/b/a Accommodations at Ricky Neck, 43 & 43 Rear Rocky Neck Ave.

No one is present to represent this application.

The Board has no questions on this application.

Mr. Hamilton moves to grant this application.

Mr. Lamirande seconds

All in favor, 3-0

MEETING MINUTES:

Mr. Hamilton moves to approve the minutes for 3/10/2020, 3/31/2020, and 4/14/2020 as amended by the Chair.

Mr. Lamirande seconds

All in favor, 3-0

A motion was made to adjourn at: 6:42 PM

By: Brian Hamilton

Seconded by: Mr. Lamirande

All in favor, 3-0

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Licensing Board will be at 6:30 pm on December 10, 2019 in the City Council Conference Room located at City Hall, 9 Dale Avenue.