

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
LICENSE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER  
May 3, 2012**

**WORCESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY - BANX ROOM, 3 SALEM SQ.,  
WORCESTER, MA 01608**

**Commission Members Present:** Peter Lukes, Chair  
Karon Shea, Commissioner  
Paul Mullan, Commissioner

**Staff Present:** Luba Zhaurova, Planning & Regulatory Services  
Attorney Alexandra Haralambous, Law Department  
Jim Foley, Inspectional Services  
Lieutenant Johnson, Worcester Police Department

**COMMISSION SITE VIEWS:**

The Commission and Lieutenant Johnson conducted a site visit of 27 Pleasant Street 9:30-9:45am.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair Lukes called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

The Commission voted to approve the April 19, 2012 meeting minutes.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**1. 346 Shrewsbury Street:** Lieutenant Johnson stated that Ms. Steele of Division of Planning & Regulatory Services communicated to him that the applicant is requesting to change a company structure and will be re-applying for a new license. The applicant was not present. The Commission voted to continue the hearing to May 17, 2012.

**2. 171 Stafford Street:** Laura J. Monfreda Reynolds stated that she is seeking a Common Victualer License (Food Only) for Sisters Restaurant LLC. She stated that she will be serving breakfast and lunch, that she owned this business for 14 years and sold it in 2004, but that now she wants to reopen it. Mr. Foley stated that Inspectional Services approvals are forthcoming. Upon a motion by Commissioner Mullan, the Commission approved the requested petition for Common Victualer License (Food Only) for Sisters Restaurant LLC.

List of Exhibits:

Exhibit A: Application for a Common Victualer License (Food Only) for Sisters Restaurant LLC; received April 9, 2012.

Exhibit B: Memorandum from Worcester Police Department's License Division to the License Commission; re: Sister Restaurant 171 Stafford St; dated April 10, 2012.

**3. 364 West Boylston Street:** Ms. Zhaurova stated that staff has not received a confirmation that the applicant paid his taxes, and that she will follow-up with the Treasury Department regarding this issue by the next hearing. The Commission voted to continue the item.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**4. 258 Park Avenue:** Jean Romano, the applicant, was present. He stated that he is seeking a Transfer of Common Victualer All Alcoholic License from The Sakhat Brothers Inc. to Wuhan Enterprise, Inc. dba Haiku Sushi Bar & Grill. Mr. Romano stated that he is not working there now and that he has experience running a business. Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea, the Commission approved a Transfer of Common Victualer All Alcoholic License from The Sakhat Brothers Inc. to Wuhan Enterprise, Inc. dba Haiku Sushi Bar & Grill.

List of Exhibits:

Exhibit A: Application for a Transfer of Common Victualer All Alcoholic License from The Sakhat Brothers Inc. to Wuhan Enterprise, Inc. dba Haiku Sushi Bar & Grill; received April 11, 2012.

**5. 3 Mill Street:** Julius N. Kumah, the applicant, stated that he is seeking to change a condition on his General On-Premise All-Alcoholic License regarding having 2 police details on Fridays and 2 police details on Saturdays at Noamesco, LLC. Lieutenant Johnson stated that he did a site walk and was amenable to reducing the required number of police details to a minimum one (1) police detail on Fridays and none on Saturday nights except when expecting a larger than usual crowd. The Commission approved this amendment.

List of Exhibits:

Exhibit A: Letter from Julius N. Kumah to the License Commission; dated April 4, 2012.

**6. 102 Russell Street:** Konstantinos Gioannakis, representative for St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Cathedral, the applicant, stated that the applicant is seeking a One Day All Alcoholic Beverages License for June 1, 2, 3, 2012; 11am-11pm and an

Entertainment license for a Greek Festival event. He stated that same detail will be used as the last year and that there will be a band inside the tent. Lieutenant Johnson was amenable to the petition. Upon a motion by Commissioner Lukes, the Commission approved the requested One Day All Alcoholic Beverages License for June 1, 2, 3, 2012; 11am-11pm and an Entertainment license.

List of Exhibits:

Exhibit A: Application for One Day All Alcoholic Beverages License for St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Cathedral; received April 10, 2012.

Exhibit A: Application for an Entertainment License for St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Cathedral; received April 10, 2012.

**7. 27 Pleasant Street:** Roland Georges, representative for International Lounge, the applicant, stated that the applicant is seeking Alteration of Premises for outside deck (holder of General On Premises All Alcoholic License). Chair Lukes stated that the applicant does not appear to have an exclusive lease to use the outside deck; that exit from the deck would go onto another property owner's property; that there is no secondary exit provided in case of fire; and that the Commission had concerns with allowing smoking on the deck. The Commission voted 0-3 to approve the petition to Alter Premise for outside deck; the motion failed and the petition was denied.

List of Exhibits:

Exhibit A: Application for Change of License; prepared by International License; Received April 13, 2012.

One Day All Alcoholic Beverages License for St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Cathedral; received April 10, 2012.

**8. 65 Tainter Street:** Malary Truman, representative for Boys & Girls Club of Worcester, the applicant, stated that the applicant is seeking a One Day All Alcoholic Beverages License for June 8, 2012 – 5:30-9:00pm. She stated that the event will be focused around naming of a Club House after a donor and that around 200 people are expected to attend. Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea, the Commission approved the requested One Day All Alcoholic Beverages License for June 8, 2012 – 5:30-9:00pm.

List of Exhibits:

Exhibit A: Application for One Day All Alcoholic Beverages License for June 8, 2012; prepared by Boys & Girls Club of Worcester; received April 13, 2012.

Exhibit B: Letter from Ron Hadorn of Boys & Girls Club of Worcester to License Commission; dated April 11, 2012.

**9. 100 Institute Road:** Bill Batelle, representing Chartwells Catering, the applicant, stated that the applicant is seeking a One Day Malt&Wine License for May 17, 2012 – 4:30-7:30pm for a Massachusetts College of Pharmacy’s Red Cross Fundraising Event for about 100 people. He stated that food will also be served there. Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea, the Commission voted to approve the requested One Day All Alcoholic Beverages License for May 17, 2012 – 4:30-7:30pm.

List of Exhibits:

Exhibit A: Application for One Day All Alcoholic Beverages License for May 17, 2012 – 4:30-7:30pm; prepared by Chartwells Catering; received April 13, 2012.

**10. 100 Institute Road:** Bill Batelle, representing Chartwells Catering, the applicant, stated that the applicant is seeking a One Day Malt&Wine License for June 9, 2012 – 6:00-11:30pm for a Massachusetts College of Pharmacy’s dinner and award ceremony. He stated that MCPHS Campus Police & Security will be present. Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea, the Commission voted to approve the requested One Day All Alcoholic Beverages License for June 9, 2012 – 6:00-11:30pm.

List of Exhibits:

Exhibit A: Application for One Day All Alcoholic Beverages License for June 9, 2012 – 6:00-11:30pm; prepared by Chartwells Catering; received April 18, 2012.

**11. 119 Shrewsbury Street:** Fowzia Sherzai stated that he is seeking a Common Victualer License for a Pomir Grill Inc. He stated that lunch and dinner Afghani food will be served, with produce sourced from local farms when possible. He stated that restaurant seating is for 36 persons and that he is expecting to open in June. Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea, the Commission voted to approve the requested Common Victualer License for a Pomir Grill Inc.

List of Exhibits:

Exhibit A: Application for Common Victualer License for Pomir Grill Inc; prepared by Fowzia Sherzai; received April 18, 2012.

Exhibit B: Memorandum from Worcester Police Department’s License Division to the License Commission; re: Pomir Grill Inc. 119 Shrewsbury St; dated April 25, 2012.

**12. 1 Tobias Boland Way:** Brian Mulcahy of Sam’s Club, representative for Andrea Lazenby, the applicant, stated that Sam’s Club is seeking a Common Victualer License to serve Sam’s Club exclusive snacks and drinks in a 100-people seating area. Upon a

motion by Commissioner Shea, the Commission voted to approve the requested Common Victualer License for Sam's East, Inc. dba Sam's #6649.

List of Exhibits:

- Exhibit A: Application for Common Victualer License for Sam's East, Inc. dba Sam's #6649; prepared by Andrea Lazenby; received April 23, 2012.
- Exhibit B: Memorandum from Worcester Police Department's License Division to the License Commission; re: Sam's East Inc. 1 Tobias Boland Way; dated April 24, 2012.

**13. 1 Tobias Boland Way:** Michael Reynolds of Crossmark, representative for Glen Walters, the applicant, stated that the applicant is seeking a Commons Victualer License to serve food sampling in Sam's Club. Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea, the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the requested Common Victualer License for Crossmark, Glen Walters.

List of Exhibits:

- Exhibit A: Application for Common Victualer License for Crossmark, Glen Walters at Sam's Club; received April 23, 2012.
- Exhibit B: Memorandum from Worcester Police Department's License Division to the License Commission; re: Crossmark Inc. 1 Tobias Boland Way; dated April 27, 2012.

**14. 266 Park Avenue:** Jessica Hopkins, on behalf of Stephen Hopkins of Loft 266 Bar & Lounge, the applicant, stated that the applicant is seeking a One Day Malt&Wine License for May 19, 2012; 2pm-10pm and an Entertainment License for May 19, 2012; 2pm-10pm for a summer kick-off cook-out with barbeque served in the outdoor seating area. Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea, the Commission voted to approve the requested licenses.

List of Exhibits:

- Exhibit A: Application for One Day Malt&Wine License for May 19, 2012; 2pm-10pm; prepared by Stephen Hopkins; dated April 20, 2012.
- Exhibit B: Application for an Entertainment License for May 19, 2012; 2pm-10pm; prepared by Stephen Hopkins; dated April 20, 2012.

**15. 118 Cambridge Street:** Bruce W. Robinson stated that he is seeking a Common Victualer License for Back In The Day Pastry Shoppe, Inc. He stated that he will be selling pastries, sandwiches and soups, that there are 16 seats in the restaurant, and that

wi-fi would be provided. He stated that the Sweet Creations business was previously at this location. Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea, the Commission voted to approve the requested Common Victualer License for Back In The Day Pastry Shoppe, Inc.

List of Exhibits:

Exhibit A: Application for Common Victualer License; prepared by Bruce W. Robinson; received April 20, 2012.

Exhibit B: Memorandum from Worcester Police Department's License Division to the License Commission; re: Back In The Day Restaurant 118 Cambridge St; dated April 25, 2012.

### **VIOLATION HEARINGS**

**16. 90 Harding Street:** William Chase of Carrington Hall LLC, and Attorney Jonathan Finkelstein were present. Attn. Finkelstein stated that as of today, the building is still owned by Canal Marketplace, and that Carrington Hall LLC is still a lessee, therefore, the existing Liquor License is valid. The Commission requested that Mr. Chase informs the Commission if there is a change to the status of the building ownership or lessee status change.

List of Exhibits:

Exhibit A: Letter from E. John Anastasi of Anastasi & Asscoaites, P.C. to License Commission; dated April 26, 2012.

**17. 50 Front Street:** No one was present on behalf of Overtime Tap at 50 Front Street. The Commission voted 3-0 to revoke the Business License.

**18. 480 Shrewsbury Street:** No one was present on behalf of MPG Worcester Pub LLC dba Piccadilly Pub at 480 Shrewsbury Street. The Commission voted 3-0 to revoke the Business License.

### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

**19. Communication:**

- a. From Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission re: Public Notice about public hearings for the purpose of comment and testimony concerning the Commission's study on whether the "Happy Hour Regulations" should be updated or amended; received April 26, 2012.
- b. From Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission re: Notice of Suspension for 10 days for Salty Dog Saloon, Inc.; dated April 11, 2012 (May 30, 2012 – June 8, 2012)

The Commission did not take action on any of the communication items received.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 10:40am.