MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE LICENSE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER JUNE 28, 2012

ESTHER HOWLAND, 3RD FLOOR, 455 MAIN STREET

Commission Members Present:	Peter Lukes, Chair
	Karon Shea, Commissioner
	Paul Mullan, Commissioner
Staff Present:	
	Joel Fontane, Planning & Regulatory Services
	Deborah Steele, Planning & Regulatory Services
	Attorney Jennifer Beaton, Law Department
	Attorney Alexandra Haralambous, Law Department
	James Foley, Inspectional Services

COMMISSION SITE VIEWS:

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Lukes called the meeting to order at

<u>Approval of the Minutes:</u> Upon a motion by Commissioner Mullan the Commission voted to approve the minutes of June 14, 2012.

New Business

1. 278 Shrewsbury Street – Paul Barber

Petition: Request for special one day liquor permits for – July 3, 2012, July 12, 2012, July 19, 2012, July 26, 2012, August 16, 2012, August 17, 2012, August 18, 2012

Paul Barber appeared on behalf of the petitions. He stated these events are for the walk and rock and similar to events held in past at location.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the seven one day liquor licenses.

Exhibit A: Application for one day permits dated June 12, 2012 and received on June 12, 2012.

2. 100 Institute Road – Chartwells

Petition: Request for one day liquor permit – August 29, 2012

Bill Battelle appeared on behalf of petition. Mr. Battelle requested to amend date to September 5, 2012.

Mr. Battelle stated about 350 people would be expected at event.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the one day liquor permit for September 5, 2012. Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor permit dated June 15, 2012 and received via fax on June 15, 2012.

3. 306 Chandler Street – Hardwick Vineyard & Winery

Petition: Request for sale of wine at Farmer's Market

John Salmon appeared on behalf of application. Mr. Salmon stated this would be for wine-tasting at Farmer's Market at 306 Chandler Street on Fridays only

Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the the sale of wine at Farmer's Market for Hardwick Vineyard & Winery.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor permit dated June 11, 2012 and received via fax on June 12, 2012.

4. 100 Barber Avenue – Higgins Armory Museum

Petition: Request for one day liquor permit – September 22, 2012

Peter Lukes recused himself from item.

Jim Nelson appeared on behalf of application. He stated this would be the 12th annual festival of ales and about 500 people are expected.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea the Commission voted 2-0 to approve the one day liquor permit for Higgins Armory Museum.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor permit dated June 12, 2012 and received email June 12, 2012.

5. Park Avenue – Gourmet Caterers, Inc.

Petition: Request for one day liquor permit – July 14, 2012

The applicant did not appear at the meeting.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea the Commission voted 3-0 to deny the one day liquor permit for Gourmet Caterers.

Exhibit A: Application for one day liquor permit dated June 7, 2012 and received June 8, 2012.

6. 649 Chandler Street – My Sub Shops Inc. dba Subway

Petition: Request for common victualer license

Mark Devoto appeared on behalf of the application. Mr. Devoto stated that is a Subway and that it will be similar operation to other Subway restaurants.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the common victualer license for 649 Chandler Street.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license dated June 15, 2012 and received on June 15, 2012.

7. 596 Main Street – Savory Corner Café

Petition: Request for common victualer license

Sylvia Cedeno appeared on behalf of the application. Ms. Cedeno stated location will just be a deli serving sandwiches.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the common victualer license for 596 Main Street.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license dated June 25, 2012 and received on June 25, 2012.

8. 321 West Boylston Street – Snow's Restaurant

Petition: Request for alteration of premises for outdoor seating

Matthew Jette appeared on behalf of application. The Commissioners viewed the property prior to the License Commission meeting.

Mr. Jette stated this will be expanding of the premises to allow food and drink outside.

Ms. Steele asked for clarification on the ending hours for outside area.

Mr. Jette stated the outside areas will be closed by 11:00 p.m.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the alteration of premises with condition that outside areas will be closed by 11:00 p.m.

9. 250 Webster Street – The Full Scoop

Petition: Request for common victualer license

Chrissy Sullivan appeared on behalf of application. Ms. Sullivan stated this will be an ice cream shop and operate during the summer months.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the common victualer license for The Full Scoop.

Exhibit A: Application for common victualer license dated June 22, 2012 and received on June 22, 2012.

10. 86 Shrewsbury Street – The Shisha Room

Petition: Request for alteration of premises for sidewalk café

The Commissioners viewed the location prior to the meeting.

No one from The Shisha Room appeared at meeting but Commissioners stated they were familiar with location and had viewed the outside area.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the alteration of premises for sidewalk café.

11. 55 Salisbury Street – Worcester Art Museum

Petition: Request for change of manager

Ms. Steele informed Commission that applicant had requested a continuance.

Exhibit A: Application for change of manager date March 8, 2012 and received on June 25, 2012.

12. 301 Park Avenue – Kozara Corporation dba Kozara Restaurant

Petition: Request for entertainment license to include: tv, radio, recorded music, live music, amplification system

Attorney Todd Rodman appeared on behalf of application. Attorney Rodman stated establishment had been approved for liquor license and would like to add entertainment at location.

Upon a motion by Commissioner Shea the Commission voted 3-0 to approve the entertainment license for Kozara Corporation.

Exhibit A: Application for entertainment license dated June 15, 2012 and received on June 15, 2012.

13. 41 Pleasant Street – Club Instyle

Petition: Request for under 21 nights on Wednesday & Sunday nights

Lt. Johnson was unable to be present for meeting and Commission felt his testimony would be required in order to make decision on item and therefore continued item to July 19, 2012 License Commission Meeting.

Exhibit A: Petition for under 21 nights received via email on June 21, 2012.

Other Business

358 Shrewsbury Street – Corapi Restaurant

Attorney Robert Hennigan appeared on behalf of application. He stated Mr. Corapi has been working past several months to get business operational but he had to wait extremely long time to get National Grid to come in to hook up

electricity but location is now ready to go and Mr. Corapi plans to open by July 23.

Status of license

187 Washington Street – S&D Entertainment

Sid Prashad appeared on behalf of item. Mr. Prashad stated he had been before Commission before on item and he had plan to open the restaurant himself but now is looking to transfer to another owner.

Chairman Lukes stated this business has never opened and that he would prefer a hearing be held to revoke the existing license for non-operation and a new person could then apply for license at location.

The Commission voted 3-0 to continue this meeting until July 19, 2012 in order that a revocation hearing could be held.

Status of license

244 Main Street – Main Street Brewing

Ms. Steele informed Commission that Attorney Sean Murray had contacted her and stated he would be sending an update for location via email but nothing was ever received.

Erin Gallagher, Assistant City Treasurer stated that location owes a substantial amount of back taxes and a payment plan had been worked out but had not been followed through by Main Street Brewing.

The Commission voted 3-0 to continue this meeting until July 19, 2012 in order that a revocation hearing could be held.

Status of license

139 Green Street - Square One Sports Bar & Grille

Status of change of manager & new officer/director application

Danielle Spring appeared on behalf of item. Ms. Spring stated that her application had been returned by Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission due to unpaid taxes but she has made payment and application can be resubmitted to Boston now for final approval.

The Commission agreed that item should be held for 30 days in order that application be resubmitted for final approval.

Special One Day Multiple Event Application

Joel Fontane provided update on proposal for Special One Day Multiple Event Application.

Mr. Fontane stated that he and various departments have been working on proposal that would allow various entities to apply to License Commission for

multiple one day special licenses using one application and therefore reduce the number of times applicant would need to appear at meetings.

Mr. Fontane distributed the draft proposal and requested the Commissioners review the item and schedule item for the July 19, 2012 License Commission meeting.

Mr. Fontane presented Chairman Lukes a certification of appreciation for his years of service on the License Commission.

Paul Giorgio stated he would like to thank Chairman Lukes for his years of service and he appreciated the work Mr. Lukes had done for the City of Worcester.

ADJOURNMENT

The Commission adjourned the meeting at **10:30 a.m.**