



# CITY OF EVERETT

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## LICENSING BOARD MINUTES March 11, 2019

Meeting called to order. Present were, Chairman Phil Antonelli, Board Member Brian McCarthy, Board Member Phil Arloro, Detective Michael Lavey

1. Special Permit for Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick, to be held at the Connolly Center, on March 15, 2019. The Board votes to approve the permit.  
0 nays - 3 yays
2. Bearmoose Brewing - Jeff Wetzel was brought in for an advertisement that said that food was going to be served on premise. Phil explains that under the current pouring permit that he has food is not allowed. Jeff explains that the he will be running the brewery business and will just be providing a space to Ian McGregor of Deep Cuts Deli. Ian is not part of Bear moose Brewery. He will just be leasing a space. There will be a gate to the area where the food is. The customer will order their food and when the food is ready their number will be called and the customer will pick their food up and go sit at a table. Only beer from Bear moose will be served. Brian advises them that the process to be able to do this. They must fill out the forms on the ABCC website that are Alteration of Premise. They will have to present the application to the Board on April 22, 2019 for the Board to vote on it. Jeff Wetzel says that they are trying to open in the middle of April and ask if they could still serve food during the process. The Board agrees that it will be ok to serve pizza in pizza boxes during the application process.

3. Transfer of License from KH&H to Costco's. Chairman Antonelli reads the advertisement. He then asked if the location of the alcohol is going to stay where it is in the caged area. The attorney for Costco Corey Wilks explains that the plan is to move the alcohol to the middle section is where the seasonal items are. The Board has concerns about the alcohol out in the open and people having the option to go to the self scan registers. Costco says that exposure is best for business sales and customers will not be able to go to the self scan registers they will have to go to a register with an attendant and everyone will be carded. All licenses have a bar code on the back and that has to be scanned. The alcohol cannot be sold unless the date is entered into the register. Phil Arloro has concern about someone walking in with a big coat on and taking a bottle and hiding it under their coat. Phil Antonelli asked if they would be willing to cage the alcohol in if it is in the middle of the store. Costco has not done that in any other stores. The Avon store has the alcohol out in the open. Phil Arloro would like to see a plan on where the alcohol is going to go. Cory Wilks would like to have a plan approved by the Board. The Board agrees to vote on the transfer of license and have Costco come back up on April 22, 2019 with an exact plan of where the alcohol is going to be placed. With a security plan and possibly have pictures from the Avon store.

The Board votes and approves the transfer of License.

0 nays 3 yays

4. The City Clerk Sergio Cornelio appeared before the Board to swear in the members for their temporary appointments as members of the License Commission.

5. Attorney Andrew Delorey requests a Special One Day Permit for Pope John/Everett Rotary Club to be held at Pope John, 888 Broadway on March 21, 2019 from 5 PM to 9PM. The Board votes and approves the Special Permit. 0 nay 3 yays

6. Application for a new Full Alcohol License El Tipico Colombiano, 293 Main St, Everett. The Chairman reads the public notice that was advertised in the Everett Advocate. Attorney Andrew Delorey introduces the owner of El Tipico, Nelson J Argueta Aguirre, he has been open since October, 2018 and has 20 seats, 4 which are at the bar. He does not plan on having any entertainment and will be closing at 11PM. Nelson is not a US citizen but his

manager of record of the LLC is a US citizen. Nelson will be at the restaurant all the time and he lives at one of the abutting properties and when he is not there Ligia who is the manager will be there. The Chairman reviews the application and notices the manager of record has a full time job at MGH and asked how she is going to be at the business when she has another job. Nelson says that he will be there every day. The Board has concerns that Ligia has another job and she will not be at the business on a regular basis. Brian read the ABCC regulations that states that for a LLC the majority of the directors cannot be aliens. Phil Arloro makes suggestions to table this application until Ligia can be present at the meeting. Attorney DeLorey steps out to wait for Ligia to come in.

7. Oliveiri's appeared, the Building inspector Martin Furtado joined the meeting to speak about the bull that is now in front of the restaurant. Martin explains that he would like Wilton to come into the building dept in order for them to speak about what the intention is to have the bull in front and to go over safety issues. Next Felipe asked the Board if they can extend their hours back to what they were previously because they are losing business. He says that when they turn the music and TV's off at 10PM people think that they have to leave. Phil explains that they do not have to turn the TV's off at 10PM just the loud music has to turn off. Wilton asked if they can keep the music on till 11PM. Brian explains you can keep the restaurant open until 12 midnight but the music has to be off at 10PM. He also states that Oliveira's is a restaurant not a lounge. Phil explains that summer is coming and they do not want problems in Glendale Square. They want the area to be safe. The Board repeatedly explains that the music is to be turned off at 10PM. The Board agrees to review this again in July.
8. Attorney Delorey request to table the application for El Tipico. The Board approves the request.
9. Down the Road was in with Attorney Andrew Delorey. They would like to stay open till 1AM for 2 events, one on March 30, 2019 for the Fire Fighters Last Call Foundation and the other on March 23, 2019 for a corporate event. First the Chairman explains that the Board would like to know when they are having any live entertainment. Attorney Delorey explains that Donovan has gone before the ZBA to get the variance to have live entertainment. The application for the entertainment permit is reviewed and the request by the

Board is made to let the Licensing Board know who will be performing each weekend, how many people that they will be expecting. This will be for the benefit of the Police Department to know what will be going on in the city. A police detail will be required whenever there is live entertainment. Donovan plans on having some kind of music on Tuesday, some Thursday and Friday and Saturday. A monthly calendar will be submitted to the License Board on a monthly basis to send to the Police Department. Spero who owns Easy Pie in Revere would like to serve pizza, chili, basic foods that will be premade at his store and will be heated up in a toaster oven at Down the Road. The Board says he will have to get a permit from the food inspector and Donovan will have to fill out an application for an Alteration of Premises showing the footprint of where the food heating station will be. Donovan also plans on expanding his place. The Chairman asked about the status of the sprinkler system and Donovan said that the landlord will be giving a check for the fee.

10. Backpackers appeared due to the police reports that were received stating that there had been several arrests and at the beginning of the year there was a sudden death at the hostel. Brian McCarthy says that the Board understands that the activity has nothing to do with the alcohol license but whenever a police report is sent over the Board has to address the issue. Steven and Judith Smith were present and Judith stated that take all the precautions and abide by all the rules. She also goes on to say that during the winter months there is not any liquors in the hostel. Their original intent was to close for the winter. Steve states that hostel business runs from April to November and never has any problems. In the winter they use to close and the city, churches, police departments around the area had approved him and asked if they would be able to stay open to accommodate families in need, such as a fire. Steve states that he was not aware that there were drug activities going on. The person that was arrested had been staying with him for a month and he never heard a peep from him. Steve says he does not turn people away. He has let homeless people stay there during the winter months when it has been very cold out. The Chairman explains that the Board understand that he is trying to help people and that right now this isn't an issue with the Board although when the Hostel does open and the liquor is being served he has to make sure this activity does not go on.

11. Varun from Karma Lounge appears with his head of security and his general manager. The Chairman first addresses the issue of police details. The Board never stated that he did not have to have details on Friday and Saturday nights and the balance needs to be paid A.S.A.P. The Chairman goes over about the original plan when the business was opened, that he was not to be a night club and just be a cigar bar and it has been brought to the attention of the Board that he had a rapper in the lounge. Varun states that he was in there as a customer and was not performing and that he has had a couple of Celtic players come in and he did not know about them ahead of time. The Chairman reviews a police report that says a police officer was choked outside by one of his patrons. He goes on to say that the Board does not want this and the Mayor does not want this in the city. Varun says that the incident inside was by the coat check because someone cut in front of someone. There was not an altercation just a coat check issue. The next incident was outside. There was a couple that was arguing and one of the police officers approached the couple. The gentleman began to argue with the officer and was arrested. Next the review the bottle service that Varun has in place. The bottle service prices should be the cost of the total of shots in the bottle. The bottles cannot be discounted because that would be a violation of the happy hour laws. The Board does not want them selling any bottles of alcohol. The Board feels that he has become a night club. The Chairman asks to see the DOR reports and the tobacco report within a month. The Chairman then goes over the trash issue and advises Varun to hire a company to come out and pick the trash up a couple times a week. The rear egress is blocked. The General Manager states that Varun has invested a lot of money into the since he has been there to do different types of repairs. They are buying acrylic stemware to reduce the paper cups in the trash. Detective Lavey reviews and advertising for March madness which says 617 versus 978. He thinks it doesn't send a good message and is bringing people in from Lawrence and Methuen area. This is what causes altercations and this is the way that this business is going into. The manager states he does want to change the direction that the business is going in and once he will also take care of the price on the shots. A discipline letter will be sent out.

Meeting Adjourn

