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LICENSING BOARD MINUTES March 26, 2018

Meeting called to order. Present were, Chairman Phil Antonelli, Board Member Brian McCarthy, Detective Michael Lavey, and Annette DeBilio, Clerk of the Board.

1. Revolution Axe, 73 Norman St. Present Chris Greeno, Greg Dilullo, owners, Councilman Michael McLaughlin, Councilman Richard Dell Isola, Councilman Leo McKinnon, Councilman Fred Capone. Revolution Axe presented drawings of what the business will look like, the drawing are not a file copy. Permits will be applied for shortly. They will have a total of 10 targets. When you first walk in there will be a welcome area. People will come in sign up and then go to the waiting area. There will be 3 restrooms for guest. There will be a bar area for people to buy drinks. Right now all they plan on having is can and bottles of beer, possible down the road they may have tap beer. Phil questions the plans on the total number of bathrooms. The capacity will be about 213 people. Phil advises that they should check on the number of bathrooms that are needed. Greg states that they don't plan on reaching the capacity. Phil states that the major concern with the Board and with the Council is the safety of the customers. That there could be a possibility that the ax could slip from someone's hands and hit the person behind them. That it would be a good idea to have it set up like a bathing cage, were the people throwing the ax would be enclosed. Greg says that they are following regulations from the NATF (National Axe Throwing Federation). With 14,000,000 throws with no major incidents. There is a 5 foot difference from where the person that is throwing and the person that is observing. Greg says there is something that they will keep in mind; he is hesitant to put that much effort into something like that. Phil explains that no one knows what kind of cliental will be coming in. Phil Aloro asked how you would

know if someone is ok to throw an axe when alcohol is involved. Greg says all of the coaches will be tip certified. No one will be able to throw if they are not in control of their body. They plan on their business mostly be on a reservation basis, so coaches will be booked ahead of time. Phil Aloro asked if people will be drinking while they are throwing. Greg says you cannot take your beer into the area where you will be throwing, once your turn is over you can then go back and drink. If the coaches notice that people are drinking too much the will be able to stop them. Councilman McKinnon asks how much insurance they will be carrying which will be 1 million to 1 million. In each bay there will be 2 targets. There could be 5 groups playing all together in all the bays. There will be a throwing line at 14 to 15 ft, a tie breaker line at 21 ft. Councilman Capone asked if people can roam freely from the bar area to the throwing area. Which they can but cannot throw with alcohol. The Council has to leave to go to a meeting and voice their opinion that they would like to see the people that would be throwing would be in an enclosed area to ensure safety to patrons. Phil Antonelli express to Greg and Chris that the Councils concern is that the area is enclosed. Phil asked if people can bring in their own axes. The only way you can bring in your own ax is if you are on a league. Phil Antonelli says that if his area is not enclosed and if the Police get called in and there is a person in the open area with an axe there could bigger problems. That if they want to have alcohol the area will have to be enclosed. If they don't want alcohol they could have it open. Brian states that there are some Council members that do not want it in the city at all. Phil Aloro asked what the plan for security is and cameras and that it would be a good idea to have a police detail in place. Phil Aloro asks if they have rules in place if they could send them to the Board. Detective Lavey also states his concern that the throwing area should be closed in. Phil Antonelli asked when do they plan on opening and their timeline is to possible open by late May or early June. Gregg says he is open to the idea of enclosing the throwing area but the statistics say that there have not been major accidents. Phil Aloro says the main concern is safety.

2. Down the Road, 151 Bow St. - Alteration of Premises. Steve Duffy was present. Phil Antonelli reads the public hearing for the change. Steve tells the Board that now that the warm weather is coming they would like to be allowed to us the dock area to put chairs out so people could eat out there when the food trucks are there. People don't like to leave there drinks at the bar unattended. Phil Antonelli says he does not want people taking their

drinks outside to smoke but it will be ok to bring drinks out to eat. Steve says that they will use whiskey barrels to make a barrier so people cannot leave. Phil asks 3 times if anyone is in favor and 3 times if anyone is against. The Board takes a vote and approves the application.

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3. Monte Cristo Mexican Steak House, 389-391 Main St. Attorney John Kennedy is representing the applicant for an application for a new Full Alcohol License. Phil Antonelli reads the public notice. Attorney Kennedy states that they have been in business and when the Frog Pond closed down they expanded into that area. This place is not going to be a bar he is going to continue to be a restaurant. He wants his customers to be able to have a drink during lunch and dinner. He would like to have birthday party and banquets. Phil Aloro ask if the owner has any experience with alcohol, he states that he hasn't but he has been tip certified and plans on learning more and will have his staff tip certified. Phil Antonelli asks 3 times if anyone is against and then 3 times if anyone is in favor. There are 16 people that are in favor. The Board votes and approves the application for the full alcohol license.

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4. Bone-Up Brewing, 85 Tileston St. Alteration of Premises. Jared Kiraly present. Phil Antonelli reads the public notice for the change. Jared explains that they have just rented space next to where they were and want to expand into that area. Phil asks 3 times if anyone is in favor and 3 times if anyone is against. The Board takes a vote and approves the application.

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5. Braham Group, 355 Ferry St, Attorney John Mackey representing Varun. Varun states they are in the final steps for the tobacco license. They are waiting for the DOR certificate. They are waiting to have hear detectors installed they he will then get the building and fire sign offs. Phil Antonelli says he cannot allow the liquor license to be issued until the tobacco license is approved. Varun says he doesn't think they will be ready to open for 2 months but he would like to be allowed to have a soft opening. Phil and Brian say they will have to check with the ABCC to see if this would be allowed because where he already has a license in place he cannot have a temporary license issued. The main concerned is when you have a tobacco license 51% of the sales have to be in tobacco and if he was to start selling alcohol now it may affect the 51%. Brian will check with the ABCC and will get back to

Attorney Mackey. They will also be coming up next month for a change in DBA.

6. Winners Sports Bar, 361 Ferry St. Tony Petillo and Attorney John Mackey are present. Phil starts the meeting with reviewing incidents that have happened in the past as far as rolling back hours and closing the downstairs area. The hours were then giving back to close at 1AM and the use of the downstairs. On the night of February 18, 2018 Chairman Antonelli was driving through the city to go to a fire call at about 1:14 AM he drove by Lafinca, Cancun and Winners Sports bar. As he looked into the window of Winners Sports Bar window he noticed that there were people sitting at the bar. He parked his car and went in and asked to see Tony. The manager that was working had an attitude. Phil asked what was going on and Tony said they were just cleaning up. Phil then heard noise down stairs. He opened the downstairs door and saw about 16 people coming up the stairs. He told Tony at that time that everyone had to leave the building. Phil then left. Phil later came back at 1:45AM and saw that there were still people in the building. He then called the police station and asked for the police to come down and wanted a report written. Phil explains that it is not normal for him to be out checking on the bars around the city at 1:00 AM. But that night he was out working. Phil states that Tony should have had everyone out of the building when he was their first time. Because the people were not told to leave he feels that Tony has no regard for the Rules of the Liquor Board. Tony says that he has asked in the past what are the rules for employees and that all the people that were in the building work for him. There was a bar back, cooks, and waitresses. Tony said that it takes them 2 hours to restock the alcohol and clean. Phil tells Tony that there was a person sitting at the bar with a bar. Tony insists that everyone in there were employees and that his 2 sons were there also, which were part of the 16 people in there. Phil had taken pictures when he was there and showed the pictures to Tony of the person sitting at the bar. Brian says that is she is working she should not be drinking after 1:00 AM. Tony insists that the people are employees. Attorney Mackey says that he has told Tony that they cannot stay in the bar until 3:00 AM cleaning and that he should have his employees come in in the morning to restock the shelves. Tony says that a Police Office told him that the Licensing Board must be picking on him because he never has any problem with the police. Phil says that is not true and the Board has the right to call him up to appear because he had people in the business at 1:45 AM. Phil explains to Attorney Mackey that the Board

just recently allowed Tony to use the down stairs on August 9th, 2017 and was not to have any dancing. Phil Aloro says that Tony has no respect for the Rules and Regulations and never wants to take responsibility for the things that happen there. Tony ask what time can he bring the employees in in the morning. Brian McCarthy explains you can have the employees come in to clean and restock. Phil Antonelli states that the Board will discuss this matter and a letter will be sent out. He will be required to hire a police detail on Friday and Saturday. Phil Aloro asked Tony about his payroll records and wants proof of who was working that night. Tony says the cook, the chef and the bus boy do not have time cards. Phil asked if there is any video from the cameras that night. Tony states that he only keeps the video for 2 weeks. Phil says that he wants Tony to come up to the next meeting on April 23, 2018 with all of his payroll records for the night in question.

7. Everett Bar & Grill, 296 Ferry St. Phil reads the police report dated March 6, 2018, were four people were involved. There was underage drinking, no manager on duty, employees that were working and drinking, no visible license showing. Brian says how the employees can know if patrons are overdrinking when they are drinking themselves. Phil says that over the past four years there have been issues. That in 2012, they were on probation for underage drinking and in 2013 they were shut down twice, Daniel the owner states that in 2014 he hired a security guard and have not have any issues. The past month the security guards father took ill and he had to fly own to see him. Daniel knew that he was going to need someone to take over. He asked a friend to help out and this is when everything happened. Daniel knows that there is no excuse for what happened and he was very apologetic. He does admit that there was only one person in the business that was not tip certified. Phil reads more of the report that the manager that was working that night was not cooperative to the police. He was drinking and also stated that he did not speak English. Phil asked if the manager that was working that night has been tip certified yet. Daniel states that his security guard he believes is a Chelsea police officer. Phil Aloro states that none of the bartenders have come to city hall to get work permits. Daniel says that his security guard will be back the following week. Phil says that the Baard will discuss the matter and a letter will be sent out to him.

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