

**Woburn License Commission  
Woburn City Hall  
Committee Room – 5:30 p.m.  
September 20, 2018**

Voting Members: Chairman Thomas Skeffington, Commissioner David Gilgun, and Commissioner William Pappalardo

Chairman Skeffington convened the meeting of the License Commission at 5:30 p.m.

Also present: Woburn Police Capt. John Murphy

**Mayor's Senior Appreciation Dinner Committee, 10 Common St., Woburn, MA, application for a special 1-day liquor license for the Mayor's Annual Senior Appreciation Dinner in the cafeteria at Woburn Memorial High School, from 12-3 p.m. on Sunday, November 4, 2018:** Appearing for the petitioner was Mayor Scott Galvin, 4 Foley Road, Woburn, MA. Mayor Galvin said this year's event will be the 41<sup>st</sup> annual Mayor's senior dinner, which was started by former Mayor Thomas Higgins in the 1970s. He said it is a great event and he is requesting a special 1-day liquor license. Chairman Skeffington said in the past there has been a request for an alcohol storage day the day before the event. Mayor Galvin said there will be a need for a storage day on Saturday, November 3. Chairman Skeffington asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the commission about the petition. There were no respondents. Motion made by Commissioner Gilgun and seconded by Commissioner Pappalardo to grant the special 1-day license, waive the \$50 application fee, and amend the petition to add an alcohol storage day on Saturday, November 3; approved, 3-0.

**Jack Strong Corp., 19 Carlson Way, Woburn, MA, application for a special 1-day liquor license for a Home Run Derby at Leland Park from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, September 22, 2018, with a rain date of Saturday, September 29, 2018:** Appearing for the petitioner was Christopher Collins, 14 Fieldstone Drive, Woburn, MA. Mr. Collins said the event is a fund-raiser for a Woburn resident with a rare disease. He said there will be a home run derby and activities for children, with concessions. The proceeds will go toward a charitable foundation. Chairman Skeffington asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the commission about the petition. There were no respondents. Motion made by Commissioner Pappalardo and seconded by Commissioner Gilgun to grant the special 1-day license and waive the \$50 application fee; approved, 3-0.

**Annunciation of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church, 70 Montvale Avenue, Woburn, MA, application for a special 1-day liquor license for Gyro Night from 4-10 p.m. on Saturday, September 29, 2018:** Motion made by Commissioner Gilgun and seconded by Commissioner Pappalardo to take the next four matters collectively; approved, 3-0. Appearing for the petitioner was Wilma Thomas, 3 Independence Drive, Woburn, MA. Ms. Thomas said the September 29 event will be the third of its kind. She said the October 13 event will be for ladies from 6-11 p.m. She said the October 27 event is a for-profit event. She said the November 11 event is a wedding with a full bar and she has already advised Commissioner Gilgun a police

detail will be hired. Chairman Skeffington asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the commission about the petition. There were no respondents. Motion made by Commissioner Gilgun and seconded by Commissioner Pappalardo to grant the special 1-day liquor licenses and waive the \$50 application fee for the September 29 and October 13 events; approved, 3-0.

**Annunciation of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church, 70 Montvale Avenue, Woburn, MA, application for a special 1-day liquor license for Paint Night from 6-11 p.m. on Saturday, October 13, 2018:** See preceding item.

**Annunciation of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church, 70 Montvale Avenue, Woburn, MA, application for a special 1-day liquor license for a wedding shower from 1-6 p.m. on Saturday, October 27, 2018:** See preceding item.

**Annunciation of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church, 70 Montvale Avenue, Woburn, MA, application for a special 1-day liquor license for a wedding from 4-10 p.m. on Sunday, November 11, 2018:** See preceding item.

**Irish American Club of Woburn, 147 Main Street, Woburn, MA, application for a special 1-day liquor license for a Cornhole Tournament from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, October 6, 2018, with a rain date of Sunday, October 7, 2018:** Appearing for the petitioner was Brian Kelley, 69 Wyman Street, Woburn, MA. Mr. Kelley said this is the 4<sup>th</sup> annual tournament and it will be held in the club's parking lot. He said proceeds from the event will benefit a family member of a club member who has pancreatic cancer. Chairman Skeffington asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the commission about the petition. There were no respondents. Motion made by Commissioner Pappalardo and seconded by Member Gilgun to grant the special 1-day liquor license and waive the \$50 application fee; approved, 3-0.

**Application for transfer of Common Victualer's license from Al's Trade Center Café to Big Sky Bread, 300 Trade Center, Suite 1460, Woburn, MA:** Appearing for the petitioner was Ehab Sadeek, 112 Wendell Street, Winchester, MA. Motion made by Commissioner Gilgun and seconded by Commissioner Pappalardo to grant the transfer of the Common Victualer's license; approved, 3-0.

**Dave & Buster's, Lot A, 275 Mishawum Road, Woburn, MA, application for change of manager:** Appearing for the petitioner was Jason P. Patton, 17 Newcastle Road, Apt. 10, Nashua, N.H., and Attorney Christopher Fox, Murtha Cullina, 600 Unicorn Park, Woburn, MA. Chairman Skeffington said he remembers Mr. Patton from when Dave & Buster's opened and that he has been with the company for a long time. Mr. Patton said he has been with the company for 4 ½ years. He said he was in Woburn to set up the location before it opened. Chairman Skeffington asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the commission about the petition. There were no respondents. Motion made by Commissioner Pappalardo and seconded by Commissioner Gilgun to grant the request for change of manager; approved, 3-0.

**Jake 'N Joe's Sports Grille, 230 Mishawum Road, Woburn, MA, request for extended hours until 1:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 6, 2018, for a UFC event:** Appearing for the petitioner was Brian Guglielmo, General Manager, Jake 'N Joe's, 230 Mishawum Road, Woburn, MA. Mr. Guglielmo said he has requested extended hours in the past and the October 6

event will be similar to those. He said the restaurant will close at 1:30 a.m. and they will stop serving alcohol at the normal time. Chairman Skeffington asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the commission about the petition. There were no respondents. Motion made by Commissioner Gilgun and seconded by Commissioner Pappalardo to grant the request for extension of hours on October 6; approved, 3-0.

**Empire Liquors, 2 Elm Street, Woburn, MA, request for change of hours:** No one appeared for the petitioner. Motion made by Commissioner Gilgun and seconded by Commissioner to table the matter; approved, 3-0.

**Update on status of Common Victualer's licenses – Dunkin' Donuts, 880 Main Street; D'Angelo's, 301 Mishawum Road:** Clerk of the Commission said D'Angelo's filed its paperwork last Friday and the application is complete. Commissioner Skeffington suggested asking Dunkin' Donuts to appear at the October meeting.

**Proposed changes to License Commission fees:** Chairman Skeffington said the new fees will be as follows: Package store - \$2,200; Hotel - \$3,500; Restaurants - \$3,000; Clubs - \$500; Filing fees - \$150; Amusements - \$100 per machine; Entertainment - \$250; Fortune teller - \$250; Special 1-day liquor license - \$100; Common Victualer's license - \$100. Commissioner Pappalardo asked if the new fees will be in line with those in other communities. Chairman Skeffington said Woburn will still be well below other communities in certain categories. Commissioner Pappalardo said he is fine with the new fee schedule. Motion made by Commissioner Pappalardo and seconded by Commissioner Gilgun to accept the new fee schedule; approved, 3-0. Clerk of the commission asked when the new fees will go into effect. Chairman Skeffington said the new fees will go into effect on January 1, 2019.

**Approval of meeting minutes from August 16, 2018:** Motion made by Commissioner Gilgun and seconded by Commissioner Pappalardo to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2018 meeting as submitted; approved, 3-0.

**Set date for October meeting:** Clerk of the council said the City Council Chamber will be available on Thursday, October 25, for the mandatory meeting with liquor license holder. Chairman Skeffington asked the clerk to send letter to the various municipal department heads who are involved in the renewal of liquor licenses. Motion made by Commissioner Gilgun and seconded by Commissioner Pappalardo to set the date of next month's meeting as October 25, 2018, at 5:30 p.m.; approved, 3-0.

**Empire Liquors, 2 Elm Street, Woburn, MA, request for change of hours:** Motion made by Commissioner Gilgun and seconded by Commissioner Pappalardo to take the matter off the table. No one appeared for the petitioner. Motion made by Commissioner Gilgun and seconded by Commissioner Pappalardo to table the matter until the October 25 meeting; approved, 3-0.

**Any other matters that may be legally before the Commission:** Capt. Murphy said there a couple of investigations he will be able to report on next month.

**Motion made by Commissioner Gilgun and seconded by Commissioner Pappalardo to adjourn;** approved, 3-0. Chairman Skeffington adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

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