

PUBLIC SAFETY & LICENSE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

NOVEMBER 27, 2017 at 6:32 PM

Woburn City Hall

Committee Room

Voting members: Chairman Lindsay Higgins, Alderman Michael Concannon, Alderman Richard Gately and Alderman Darlene Mercer-Bruen. Absent: Alderman Joanne Campbell

Non-voting members present: President Richard Haggerty Alderman Edward Tedesco, Alderman Michael Anderson, Alderman Mark Gaffney

On the application of Oliver M. McDermottroe dba McDermottroe Auto Sales, 229 Lexington Street, for renewal of a second class motor vehicle sales license: Appearing for the petitioner was Oliver McDermottroe. Chairman Higgins said Mr. McDermottroe would like to increase the number of vehicles from six to 10. Mr. McDermottroe said he is doing a lot of business with veterans who are looking for inexpensive vehicles to help get them back on their feet. Mr. McDermottroe said the business is no longer selling gasoline. Alderman Gately said he has known Mr. McDermottroe and his son for a long time and they are good people who run a good business. Alderman Gately said Mr. McDermottroe is no longer selling gasoline due to regulations regarding gasoline tanks. Chairman Higgins said as the ward alderman she has never gotten any complaints about the business and that Mr. McDermottroe keeps the property clean. Motion made by Alderman Concannon and seconded by Alderman Gately that the license renewal “ought to pass” with an increase in the number of vehicles to 10; approved, 4-0.

On the application of C.N. Wood, 200 Merrimac Street, for renewal of a first class motor vehicle sales license: Chairman Higgins said there is no limit on the number of vehicles for sale, but there is a weight limit of 50 tons. Alderman Gately said there have been no complaints about the business. Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Mercer-Bruen that the license renewal “ought to pass,” approved, 4-0.

On the application of Gordon Colonial Inc., dba Colonial Cadillac, 201 Cambridge Road, for renewal of a first class motor vehicle sales license: Alderman Gately asked about the status of storage trailers that are parked on the property. Chairman Higgins said there are no notes in the file about storage trailers. Alderman Gately said there is a condition to the special permit issued for the site that the storage trailers must be removed after a year. Alderman Tedesco said his recollection is the storage trailers were to be removed in 2016. Motion made by Alderman Concannon and seconded by Alderman Mercer-Bruen to send a communication to the Building Commissioner to review the status of license with regard to storage trailers; approved, 4-0.

On the application of Lannan Chevrolet, 40 Winn Street, for renewal of a first class motor vehicle sales license: Chairman Higgins said there are no conditions and no limit on the number of vehicles. Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Mercer-Bruen that the license renewal “ought to pass,” approved, 4-0.

On the application Lawless Inc., 196 Lexington Street, for renewal of a first class motor vehicle sales license: Chairman Higgins reported there are no conditions and no limit on the number of vehicles. Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Mercer-Bruen the license renewal “ought to pass,” approved, 4-0.

On the application of M&L Transit Systems Inc., 60 Olympia Avenue, for renewal of a first class motor vehicle sales license: Chairman Higgins reported there is a condition limiting the applicant to three vehicles for sale or lease. Motion made by Alderman Mercer-Bruen and seconded by Alderman Gately that the license renewal “ought to pass,” as conditioned; approved, 4-0.

On the application of Woodco Machinery Inc., 22 North Maple Street, for renewal of a first class motor vehicle sales license: Chairman Higgins reported there are no conditions and no limit on the number of vehicles, and there have been no complaints about the business. Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Mercer-Bruen that the license renewal “ought to pass,” approved, 4-0.

On the application of Anchor Auto Sales Inc., 3 Breed Avenue, for renewal of a second class motor vehicle sales license: Chairman Higgins reported there is a limit of five vehicles. Motion made by Alderman Concannon and seconded by Alderman Gately that the license renewal “ought to pass,” approved, 3-0, with Alderman Mercer-Bruen abstaining.

On the application of Kenneth L. O’Connor and Thomas F. Norton dba City Line Motors, 30 Rear Torrice Drive, for renewal of a second class motor vehicle sales license: Chairman Higgins reported there is a limit of eight vehicles, with a condition that no more than six vehicles can be parked outside. Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Mercer-Bruen that the license renewal “ought to pass,” approved, 4-0.

On the application of E&C Auto Brokers, 505 Main Street, for renewal of a second class motor vehicle license: Chairman Higgins reported there is a 5-vehicle limit and a condition that

the vegetation near the office must be maintained. Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Mercer-Bruen that the license renewal “ought to pass,” approved, 4-0.

On the application of Jeffrey Pollock dba Exclusive Automobile, 7 Independence Drive, for renewal of a second class motor vehicle sales license: Chairman Higgins reported there a limit of zero vehicles on-site, and a condition there will be no unregistered vehicles associated with the operation of the business allowed on-site. Chairman Higgins said Mr. Pollock buys his vehicles at auctions and they never arrive at the premises. She said there have been some complaints in the past about the property but he did clean the premises, and that she and the Building Commissioner are monitoring the business. Motion made by Alderman Mercer-Bruen and seconded by Alderman Gately that the license renewal “ought to pass,” with the aforementioned limit and condition; approved; 4-0.

On the application from George’s Auto Body of Woburn Inc., 19 Jefferson Avenue #C, for renewal of a second class motor vehicle sales license: Chairman Higgins reported there is a limit of three vehicles for sale and no conditions. Alderman Gately said George’s Auto Body is a good outfit. Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Mercer-Bruen that the license renewal “ought to pass,” approved, 4-0.

On the application of Nicolas Saba dba Montvale Service, 289 Salem Street, for renewal of a second class motor vehicle sales license: Chairman Higgins reported there is a 12-vehicle limit, that the license is not transferable and that the landscaping along Salem Street must be maintained. Motion made by Alderman Mercer-Bruen and seconded by Alderman Gately that the license renewal “ought to pass,” as amended, 4-0.

On the application of Route 16 Auto Broker, 280 Salem Street, for renewal of a second class motor vehicle sales license: Chairman Higgins reported there is no limit on the number of vehicles and no conditions associated with the business. Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Mercer-Bruen that the license renewal “ought to pass,” approved, 4-0.

On the application of Francis Garbino dba Tom’s Auto Body, 10R Green Street, for renewal of a second class motor vehicle sales license: Chairman Higgins reported there is a limit of two vehicles. Alderman Gately said Mr. Garbino does a good job. Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Mercer-Bruen that the license renewal “ought to pass,” approved, 4-0.

On the application from Tracy M. Batten dba Tracy’s Auto Sales, 62R Winn Street, for renewal of a second class motor vehicle sales license: Chairman Higgins reported there is a

limit of 10 vehicles. Alderman Gately said Mr. Batten keeps his business clean. Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Mercer-Bruen that the license renewal “ought to pass,” approved, 4-0.

Motion made by Alderman Gately and seconded by Alderman Mercer-Bruen to adjourn; approved, 4-0. Chairman Higgins adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

A TRUE RECORD ATTEST

Gordon Vincent
Clerk of Committees