MINUTES OF THE NHLC DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT & LICENSING MEETING FOR AUGUST 08, 2024

1. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING HELD AUGUST 01, 2024.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER BRASSARD JORDAN MOVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 01, 2024; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.

2. TABLED ITEMS:

None

3. SCHEDULED HEARINGS AT LIQUOR COMMISSION OFFICES, 50 STORRS STREET, CONCORD, NH:

August 20, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.:

a. Hub Smoke and Vape, 433 Amherst Street, Nashua, NH 03063.

Retail Tobacco License #155117 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:19-a.

Cited for violation of RSA 126-K:4/Liq. 601.03 (e) – sold tobacco products to an underage person.

Date of violation: 01/26/2024

Case #: 24-261-OF.

August 20, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.:

b. Soho LLC, 20 Old Granite Street, Manchester, NH

Cocktail Lounge-Full-Service Restaurant License #1646003 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(q).

Cited for violation of RSA 179:5, I - served or sold alcoholic beverage to a patron who was visibly intoxicated or who a reasonable and prudent person would know is intoxicated.

Cited for violation of RSA 179:27, II - served or allowed consumption of alcoholic beverage in an area not approved by the Commission.

Date of violation: 06/02/2024

Case #: 24-479-OF.

August 20, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.:

c. Horseshoe Market II, 663 Lafayette Road, Seabrook, NH 03874.

Combination, Off-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Tobacco License #3363847 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:18/RSA 178:19-a.

Cited for violation of RSA 126-K:4, I – sold tobacco products to an underage person.

Date of violation: 01/27/2024

Case #: 24-40-OF.

September 17, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.:

d. Informational Hearing Held May 14, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. Northwood Town Hall Room in the Public Meeting Room. 818 First NH Turnpike. Northwood. NH 03261.

V.M.O. Inc. DBA Lake Shore Farm Inn, 275 Jenness Pond Road, Northwood, NH 03261.

Pending Hotel, Full Service With Lounge License #377302 pursuant to

RSA 178:21, II(b)(1)/RSA 178:22, V(k).

Decision dated 05/31/2024:

CONCLUSION OF LAW:

"The prospective licensee has failed to meet the requirements for a Hotel Cocktail license pursuant to RSA 178:3, VII (b) & (f)."

RECOMMENDATION:

"The Division of Enforcement and Licensing shall not issue a liquor license to V.M.O. Inc. D/B/A Lake Shore Farm Inn due to the licensee's inability to operate the business in strict accordance with all applicate state and federal beverage control laws and rules, and the fact that the very nature of the business is not an appropriate one given its location and the town of Northwood's lack of resources." The Licensee filed a Motion to Appeal the Denial of the License.

The hearings office continued the July 23, 2024 hearing.

4. NOTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION PER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT:

a. Enfield Gas and Food, 497 US Route 4, Enfield, NH 03748.

Combination, Off-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Tobacco License #3413347 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:18/RSA 178:19-a.

Cited for violation of RSA 179:5, I – served or sold alcoholic beverage to a patron who was under the age of twenty-one during a Selective Alcohol and Tobacco Initiative.

Cited for violation of RSA 179:8, I – failed to require the purchaser whose age was in question to furnish identification that such person was 21 years of age during a Selective Alcohol and Tobacco Initiative. Date of violation: 04/24/2024

Case #: 24-283-OF.

For violation of RSA 179:5, I – An administrative fine of \$500 and the license to sell alcohol shall be suspended for three (3) days commencing July 29, 2024 and re-granted on July 31, 2024 For violation of RSA 179:8, I – An administrative fine of \$250.

COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGED.

b. Mi Jalisco, 586 Nashua Street, Milford, NH 03055.

Cocktail Lounge-Full-Service Restaurant License #1434503 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(q).

Cited for violation of RSA 179:5, I – served or sold alcoholic beverage to a patron who was under the age of twenty-one- two counts.

Cited for violation of RSA 179:8, I – failed to require the purchaser whose age was in question to furnish identification that such person was 21 years of age- two counts.

Date of violation: 03/09/2024

Case #: 24-268-OF.

For violation of RSA 179:5, I 1st count – An administrative fine of \$500 and the license to serve, consume or possess alcohol shall be suspended for three (3) days commencing August 05, 2024.

For violation of RSA 179:5, I 2nd count – An administrative fine of \$500 and the license to serve, consume or possess alcohol shall be suspended for three (3) days commencing August 08, 2024 and regranted on August 11, 2024.

Ramond Quezada and Sebatian Mendoza shall complete a Management Training Seminar (MTS) online within thirty (30) days from the date of the fully signed agreement.

Sergio Ramirez and America Alcaraz shall complete a Total Education in Alcohol Management (TEAM) seminar online within thirty (30) days form the fully signed agreement.

For violation of RSA 179:8, I- two counts – An administrative fine of \$200.

COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGED.

5. NON-CONTESTED ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION APPROVAL:

a. Trattoria LLC DBA Cornicello, 11 Water Street, Exeter, NH 03833.
 On-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Liquor- Restaurant License #1600603 pursuant to RSA 178:21.
 Cited for violation of RSA 178:3/Liq. 704.01 – failed to renew liquor license thirty (30) days prior to expiration.

Date of violation: 03/31/2024

Case #: 24-610-OF. \$100.00 administrative fine.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.

b. Ya Mas Hospitality Inc. DBA Ya Mas Greek Taverna & Bar,

99 Rockingham Park Boulevard, Salem, NH 03079.

On-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Liquor- Restaurant License #1610103 pursuant to RSA 178:21. Cited for violation of RSA 179:32, III – purchased beverage from other than a licensed wholesale distributor, manufacturer, brew pub or as provided by law.

Date of violation: 03/06/2024

Case #: 24-254-OF.

Warning.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.

6. LICENSE APPLICATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION APPROVAL:

a. 51 Railroad Street Restaurant LLC DBA Granita Enoteca, 51 Railroad Street, Keene, NH 03431.

To be issued Retail Wine License #3171646 pursuant to RSA 178:19.

30-Day Temporary License issued 08/05/2024.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION: THE MOTION PASSED.

b. Avaloch Farm Music Institute, 16 Hardy Lane, Boscawen, NH 03303.

To be issued Cocktail Lounge- Performing Arts Facility License #401808 pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(m). 90-Day Temporary License issued 08/02/2024.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.

c. Cultivate at Strawbery Banke Museum, Portsmouth, NH 03801.

To be issued Cocktail Lounge-Special, One-Day, Voluntary Nonprofit Organizations License #690841 for 08/18/2024 between 12:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(I).

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.

d. Family LLC, 419 Amherst Street, Unit 2A, Nashua, NH 03063.

To be issued Combination, Off-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Tobacco License #3439247 pursuant to RSA 178:18/RSA 178:19-a.

30-Day Temporary License issued 07/31/2024.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.

e. Kettlehead Brewing Co. LLC, 8 Plymouth Street, Meredith, NH 03253.

To be issued Brew Pub License #2007715 pursuant to RSA 178:13.

90-Day Temporary License issued 08/06/2024.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.

f. Lake Sunapee Region Chamber of Commerce at New London Town Green, New London, NH 03257. To be issued Cocktail Lounge-Special, One-Day, Voluntary Nonprofit Organizations License #692941 for 08/01/2024 and 08/02/2024 pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(I).

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.

g. LCJ Management LLC DBA Butch's Brooklyn Deli & Provisions,

60 Clubhouse Lane, Thornton, NH 03285.

To be issued Combination License #3440247 pursuant to RSA 178:18.

30-Day Temporary License issued 07/03/2024.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.

- h. LCJ Management LLC DBA Butch's Brooklyn Deli & Provisions,
 - 60 Clubhouse Lane, Thornton, NH 03285.
 - To be issued Conditional Combination License #3440247/Cocktail Lounge-Sports Recreation Facility License #6019005 pursuant to RSA 178:17-a/RSA 178:22, V(u)(1).
 - DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.
- i. Littleton Market and Produce LLC, 387 Meadow Street, Littleton, NH 03561.
 - To be issued Combination, Off-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Tobacco License #3437347 pursuant to RSA 178:18/RSA 178:19-a.
 - 30-Day Temporary License issued 07/31/2024.
 - DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.
- j. Main Street Gyro NH LLC, 215 Main Street, Nashua, NH 03060.
 - To be issued On-Premises, Beverage & Wine- Restaurant License #1699403 pursuant to RSA 178:20. 30-Day Temporary License issued 07/30/2024.
 - DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.
- k. North Conway Community Center, 78 Norcross Circle, North Conway, NH 03860.
 To be issued Cocktail Lounge-Special, One-Day, Voluntary Nonprofit Organizations License #694441 from 09/06/2024-09/08/2024 between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(I).
 DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.
- I. Our Lady of the Cedars Melkite Catholic Church Inc, 140 Mitchell Street, Manchester, NH 03103. To be issued Cocktail Lounge-Special, One-Day, Voluntary Nonprofit Organizations License #697341 from 08/16/2024-08/18/2024 pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(I).
 - DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.
- m. Rotary Club of Bedford at Legacy Park Soccer Field, Bedford, NH 03110.
 - To be issued Cocktail Lounge-Special, One-Day, Voluntary Nonprofit Organizations License #694541 for 08/01/2024 pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(I).
 - DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.
- n. Stone Brewing Co LLC, 1999 Citracado Parkway, Escondido, CA 92029.
 - To be issued Beverage Vendor License #128931 pursuant to RSA 178:15.
 - Manufacturer: Stone Brewing Co.
 - 30-Day Temporary License issued 08/02/2024.
 - DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.
- o. Webster Lake Association, 346 Webster Avenue, Franklin, NH 03235.
 - To be issued Beer Festival License #4024314 for 08/17/2024 between 2:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. pursuant to RSA 178:30.
 - DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.
- 7. <u>LICENSE APPLICATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION DENIAL:</u>

None

8. DIRECT SHIPPER APPLICATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION APPROVAL:

TOTAL NUMBER OF ACTIVE DIRECT SHIPPER PERMITS ENDING AUGUST 06, 2024: 1,340.

a. Awineco Inc, 7830 St. Helena Highway, Oakville, CA 94562
 Direct Shipper Wine Manufacturer Permit pursuant to RSA 178:27.
 (Winery)

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.

b. Brothers Liquor, Inc., 1046 Olive Drive, Davis, CA 95616 Direct Shipper Retailer Permit pursuant to RSA 178:27. (Retailer)

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.

9. <u>DIRECT SHIPPER APPLICATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION DENIAL:</u>

None

10. NOTIFICATION OF APPROVED PETITIONS:

- a. American Legion Post 8, 640 Central Avenue, Dover, NH 03820.
 Cocktail Lounge- Veterans Club License #19839 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(h).
 Requested approval for a temporary extension of service, to wit, for an outside area with the capacity of 372 for 08/10/2024 pursuant to RSA 178:24/Liq. 404.05.
 COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGED.
- b. Coffin Cellars Winery, 1224 Battle Street, Webster, NH 03303.
 Wine Manufacturer License #562930 pursuant to RSA 178:8.
 Requested approval for authorization of other area for retail sales and tastings at farmers' market, to wit, Sunflower Bloom Festival at Sunfox Farm, 4 Loudon Road, Concord, NH 03301 from 08/10/2024- 08/18/2024 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. pursuant to RSA 178:24/RSA 179:44, II-a.
 COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGED.
- c. Freddy Pike LLC, 12 Veterans Square, Laconia, NH 03246.
 Cocktail Lounge- Caterer, Off-Site License #1299034 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(e).
 Requested to transfer business location, to wit, to transfer the business location from 777 Union Avenue, Laconia, NH 03246 to 12 Veterans Square, Laconia, NH 03246 pursuant to RSA 178:29, VIII.
 COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGED.
- d. Redwood Manor LLC DBA Sonny's Tavern Rochester, 150/1 Market Place Boulevard, Rochester, NH 03867.
 On-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Liquor- Restaurant License #1696803 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:21. Requested approval for a permanent extension of service, to wit, for an outside area, with the capacity of 29 pursuant to RSA 178:24/Liq. 404.05.
- e. Workmen's Club, 183 Douglas Street, Manchester, NH 03102.
 Cocktail Lounge- Social Club License #10101 pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(h).
 Requested approval for a temporary extension of service, to wit, for an outside area with the capacity of 175 for 08/03/2024 pursuant to RSA 178:24/Liq. 404.05.

COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGED.

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11. PETITIONS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION DENIAL:

None

12. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION APPROVAL

Krebs Brewing Co Inc, 103 Steven Tyler Boulevard, McAlester, OK 74501.

Beverage Vendor License #89331 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:15.

Requests approval of specialty beer, Prairie Artisan Ales Pumpkin Maple Marty with an alcohol content of 13.9% at 60 degrees Fahrenheit by volume pursuant to RSA 175:1, LXIV-a.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THIS ITEM; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.

13. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION DENIAL:

a. Oddball Brewing, 442 1st NH Turnpike, Northwood, NH 03261.

Nano Brewery, Beer and/or Specialty Beer License #209122 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:12-a.

Requests approval of Zero to Thixty with an alcohol content of 6.4% at

60 degrees Fahrenheit by volume.

Recommendation for denial of this product pursuant to RSA 179:31, VII(b)

as the packaging or label features illustrations that have been determined

reasonably likely to induce minors to drink.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER JORDAN MOVED TO APPROVE THE RECCOMENDATION FOR DENIAL; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA SECONDED THE MOTION; THE MOTION PASSED.

14. NOTIFICATION OF ALCOHOL COMPLIANCE CHECKS SCHEDULED WITHIN NINETY (90) DAYS:

- a. Epping, NH;
- b. Manchester, NH;
- c. Newington, NH;
- d. Pelham, NH;
- e. Portsmouth, NH;
- f. Rye, NH;

COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGED.

15. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION ON ALCOHOL COMPLIANCE CHECKS RECOMMENDED FOR</u> COMMISSION APPROVAL:

None

16. NOTIFICATION OF TOBACCO COMPLIANCE CHECKS SCHEDULED WITHIN NINETY (90) DAYS:

- a. Brookline, NH;
- b. Goffstown, NH;
- c. Greenville, NH;
- d. Hillsborough, NH;
- e. Hollis, NH:
- f. Loudon, NH;
- g. Lyme, NH;
- h. New Boston, NH;
- i. Newbury, NH;
- j. New Ipswich, NH;
- k. New London, NH:
- I. Northfield, NH;
- m. North Haverhill, NH;
- n. Penacook, NH;
- o. Peterborough, NH;

- p. Weare, NH;
- q. West Lebanon, NH and:
- r. Wilton, NH.

COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGED.

17. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION ON TOBACCO COMPLIANCE CHECKS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION APPROVAL:

None

18. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING DECISION PENDING:

Hearings were held on July 23, 2024:

a. Hearing was held June 18, 2024:

Mass Bay Brewing Company, 306 Northern Avenue, Boston, MA 02210.

Beverage Vendor License #9131 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:15.

Requests approval of Right Coast Italian Ice Cherry Vodka Chill and Right Coast Italian Ice Lemon Vodka Freeze each with an alcohol content of 7.5% at 60 degrees Fahrenheit by volume pursuant to RSA 175:1, LXIV-aaa.

Recommendation for denial of these products pursuant to RSA 179:31, VII(b) as the packaging or label features illustrations that have been determined reasonably likely to induce minors to drink.

The licensee requested a hearing.

The hearing is reopened at the request of the Licensee's counsel following the filing of supplemental submissions.

COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGED.

19. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING DECISIONS:

a. Babylon Cigar & Hookah Lounge, 245 Maple Street, Manchester, NH 03103.

Cigar Bar, On-Premises Beverage/Wine/Liquor/Cigar/Tobacco License #407706 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:20-a/RSA 178:9-a.

Cited for violation of RSA 179:57Liq. 603.05 – failed to comply with the requirements of a Commission Order- two counts.

Date of violation: 05/11/2024

Case #: 24-437-OF.

Hearing was held on July 23, 2024.

Decision dated:08/01/2024: "Consistent with Liq. 205.11(h), in light of the licensee's failure to appear as well as the information provided during the July 23, 2024 hearing a fine of \$500 is herby imposed for the violation described in Notice RLG24-44; a fine of \$500 is herby imposed for the violation described in RLG24-50. These fines are attached to the license number, Babylon Cigar & Hookah Lounge and Richard Madol. As Babylon Cigar & Hookah Lounge is currently out of business, the fines are not payable at this time. If in the future either Richard Madol or Babylon Cigar & Hookah Lounge apply for another liquor license the violation history shall be brought forward. The fines shall be paid prior to any licensure. The Division may use the violation history as a determining factor in whether or not they were going to issue a license."

COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGED.

20. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

None