MINUTES OF THE NHLC DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT & LICENSING MEETING FOR OCTOBER 03, 2024

1. <u>ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES</u>:

RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 26, 2024. CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACCEPTED THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 26, 2024.

2. <u>TABLED ITEMS</u>:

None

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

None

4. NOTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION PER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT:

a. Cumberland Farms Inc DBA Cumberland Farms 5529, 142 Nashua Street, Milford, NH 03055. Combination, Off-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Tobacco License #870047 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 during a compliance check.

Date of violation: 09/05/2024.

Case #: 24-750-OF.

An administrative fine of \$100 and one (1) point shall be assessed to and remain on the liquor license for three (3) years commencing the date of adjudication.

CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.

 b. GSC-S Willow LLC DBA Common Man Roadside, 1805 S. Willow Street, Manchester, NH 03103. Combination, Off-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Tobacco License #3393247 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 compliance check.

Date of violation: 08/19/2024.

Case #: 24-704-OF.

An administrative fine of \$500 and one (1) point shall be assessed to and remain on the liquor license for three (3) years commencing the date of adjudication. The license to serve, consume or possess alcohol shall be suspended for three (3) days. This suspension shall be held in abeyance for a period of twelve (12) months pending no like violation during this period. A member of management shall complete a Management Training Seminar (MTS) online within thirty (30) days from the date of adjudication. **CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.**

c. On the Vine Marketplace LLC, 75 Portsmouth Avenue, Exter, NH 03833.

Combination, Off-Premises, Beverage & Wine License #3177147 pursuant to RSA 178:18.

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 compliance check.

Date of violation: 07/15/2024.

Case #: 24-603-OF.

An administrative fine of \$100 suspended for twelve (12) months pending no like violation and one (1) point shall be assessed to and remain on the liquor license for three (3) years commencing the date of adjudication. A manager shall complete a Management Training Seminar (MTS) online within thirty (30) days from the date of the approved agreement.

CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.

d. Park N Go Markets Inc, Elkin Business Loop, Wilmot, NH 03287. Combination, Off-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Tobacco License #3070447 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 during a compliance check. Date of violation: 07/16/2024. Case #: 24-625-OF An administrative fine of \$100, one (1) point shall be assessed to and remain on the liquor license for three (3) years commencing the date of adjudication. CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.

5. <u>NON-CONTESTED ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION APPROVAL:</u>

None

6. LICENSE APPLICATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION APPROVAL:

- American Independence Museum, 1 Governors Lane, Exeter, NH 03833.
 To be issued Cocktail Lounge-Special, One-Day, Voluntary Nonprofit Organizations License #698941 for 10/10/2024 between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 pm. pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(I).
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.
- American Independence Museum, 1 Governors Lane, Exeter, NH 03833.
 To be issued Cocktail Lounge-Special, One-Day, Voluntary Nonprofit Organizations License #699041 for 10/24/2024 between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 pm. pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(I).
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.
- c. American Independence Museum, 1 Governors Lane, Exeter, NH 03833.
 To be issued Cocktail Lounge-Special, One-Day, Voluntary Nonprofit Organizations License #699141 for 11/07/2024 between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 pm. pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(I).
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.
- American Independence Museum, 1 Governors Lane, Exeter, NH 03833.
 To be issued Cocktail Lounge-Special, One-Day, Voluntary Nonprofit Organizations License #699241 for 11/21/2024 between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 pm. pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(I).
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.
- Bapa Keshav 82 Corporation DBA New World Gas, 82 Derry Road, Hudson, NH 03051. To be issued Combination, Off-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Tobacco License #3441747 pursuant to RSA 178:18/RSA 178:19-a. 30-Day Temporary License issued 09/27/2024.

CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.

- f. Bow Athletic Club at Gosling, Goodwin and Gordon Fields, 35 Albin Road, Bow, NH 03304. To be issued Cocktail Lounge-Special, One-Day, Voluntary Nonprofit Organizations License #700741 for 09/28/2024 between 2:00 p.m. and 10:00 pm. pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(I). CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.
- g. Easterseals of New Hampshire at Funspot, 579 Endicott Street, Laconia, NH 03246. To be issued Cocktail Lounge-Special, One-Day, Voluntary Nonprofit Organizations License #698341 for 09/28/2024 between 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 pm. pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(I).
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.
- h. Fat Hen Brewing Company LLC, 150 Front Street, Exeter, NH 03833. To be issued On-Premises, Beverage & Wine- Restaurant License #1701903 pursuant to RSA 178:20. 30-Day Temporary License issued 09/24/2024.
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.
- Fat Hen Brewing Company LLC, 150 Front Street, Exeter, NH 03833.
 To be issued Beverage Manufacturer License #301218 pursuant to RSA 178:12.
 30-Day Temporary License issued 09/24/2024.
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.

- j. Jivan LLC DBA Hilton Garden Inn, 1992 White Mountain Highway, North Conway, NH 03860. To be issued On-Premises Beverage and Liquor-Hotel License #377802 pursuant to RSA 178:21, II(b)(1).
 90-Day Temporary License issued 09/25/2024.
- CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM. Louis T Festo Memorial Scholarship, 33 Sandlot Way, Sandown, NH 03873. k. To be issued Cocktail Lounge-Special, One-Day, Voluntary Nonprofit Organizations License #699841 for 10/19/2024 between 12:00 p.m. and 10:00 pm. pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(I). CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM. Ι. Manchester Historic Association at Millyard Museum, 200 Bedford Street, Manchester, NH 03101. To be issued Cocktail Lounge-Special, One-Day, Voluntary Nonprofit Organizations License #700341 for 10/03/2024 between 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 pm. pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(I). CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM. m. Milford Rotary Club, 5 Union Street, Milford, NH 03055. To be issued Cocktail Lounge-Special, One-Day, Voluntary Nonprofit Organizations License #698241 for 10/11/2024 & 10/12/2024 between 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 pm. pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(I). CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM. Sour's Taverna LLC, 87 Main Street, Littleton, NH 03561. n. To be issued On-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Liquor- Restaurant License #1702303 pursuant to RSA 178:21.
- RSA 178:21.
 90-Day Temporary License issued 09/25/2024.
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.
 o. Surf' N Sip LLC DBA The Catch, 339 Meadow Street, Littleton, NH 03561. To be issued On-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Liquor- Restaurant License #1699703 pursuant to RSA 178:21.

90-Day Temporary License issued 09/25/2024. CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.

7. LICENSE APPLICATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION DENIAL:

None

8. DIRECT SHIPPER APPLICATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION APPROVAL:

TOTAL NUMBER OF ACTIVE DIRECT SHIPPER PERMITS ENDING OCTOBER 01, 2024: 1,322.

 a. Grands Joueurs Vignerons LLC, 3450 Sage Canyon Road, St. Helena, CA 94574. To be issued Direct Shipper Wine Manufacturer Permit pursuant to RSA 178:27. (Winery)
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.

9. DIRECT SHIPPER APPLICATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION DENIAL:

None

10. NOTIFICATION OF APPROVED PETITIONS:

Burns & Goins LLC DBA Restaurant at Burdick's, 47 Main Street, Walpole, NH 03608.
 On-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Liquor- Restaurant License #1557403 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:21.
 Requested approval for a temporary extension of service, to wit, for an outside area with the capacity of 150 for 09/27/2024 pursuant to RSA 178:24/Liq. 404.05.
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.

- b. Cathedral Ledge Distillery Inc., 3340 White Mountain Highway, North Conway, NH 03860. Liquor Manufacturer License #289219 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:6. Requested approval for authorization of other area for retail sales and tastings at farmers' market, to wit, Chicken and Pig Roast Fall Festival, Belknap County Fairgrounds, 174 Mile Hill Road, Belmont, NH 03220 for 10/19/2024 between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. pursuant to RSA 178:24/RSA 179:44, II-a. CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.
- c. Endres Brothers LLC DBA Bird Dog Cider, 150 Bayside Road, Greenland, NH 03840. Beverage Manufacturer License #299818 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:12. Requested approval for a permanent extension of service, to wit, for two outsides with the capacity of 118 and an indoor are area (Tasting Room) with the capacity of 60, with a total capacity of 178 pursuant to RSA 178:24/Liq. 404.05.
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.
- d. Sawtooth Kitchen LLC, 30 Lyme Road, Hanover, NH 03748. On-Premises, Beverage/Wine/Liquor- Restaurant License #1650903 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:21. Requested approval for a temporary extension of service, to wit, for an outside area with the capacity of 120 for 09/28/2024 pursuant to RSA 178:24/Liq. 404.05.
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.
- e. Threeball LLC DBA Oaks Golf Links, 100 Hideaway Place Route 108, Somersworth, NH 03878. Cocktail Lounge-Sports Recreation Facility License #6009605 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:22, V(u)(1). Requested approval for a permanent extension of service, to wit, for an outside area with the capacity of 96 pursuant to RSA 178:24/Liq. 404.05. CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.
- f. Watkins Inn & Tavern, 166 Prospect Hill Road, Walpole, NH 03608
 On-Premises, Beverage & Wine- Restaurant License #1631803 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:20.
 Requested approval for a temporary extension of service, to wit, for an outside area with the capacity of 130 for 10/12/2024 pursuant to RSA 178:24/Liq. 404.05.
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.
- g. Whippletree Winery, 372 Turkey Street, Tamworth, NH 03886. Wine Manufacturer License #566430 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:8. Requested approval for authorization of other area for retail sales and tastings at farmers' market, to wit, The Chocolate Expo Farmer's Market at the DoubleTree Expo Center, 700 Elm Street, Manchester, NH 03101 for 10/13/2024 between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. pursuant to RSA 178:24/RSA 179:44, II-a.
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.

11. <u>PETITIONS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION DENIAL</u>:

None

12. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION APPROVAL

- a. 603 Brewery, 42 Main Street Londonderry, NH 03053. Beverage Manufacturer License #293518 pursuant to RSA 178:12. Requests approval of specialty beer, Double Barrel Aged Mitz with an alcohol content of 15.90% at 60 degrees Fahrenheit by volume pursuant to RSA 175:1, LXIV-a. CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.
- b. Hobbs Brewing Company LLC, 765 NH Route 16, Ossipee, NH 03864. Beverage Manufacturer License #294518 pursuant to RSA 178:12. Requests approval of specialty beer, Neat Barrel-Aged Scotch Ale with an alcohol content of 12.20% at 60 degrees Fahrenheit by volume pursuant to RSA 175:1, LXIV-a.
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.

13. <u>MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR COMMISSION DENIAL</u>:

 a. Sixpoint Brewery, 40 Van Dyke Street, Brooklyn, NY 11231. Beverage Vendor License #58231 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:15. Requests approval of THE PURSUIT with an alcohol content of 6.4% at 60 degrees Fahrenheit by volume. Recommendation for denial of this product based on the label featuring a depiction of consumption of an alcoholic beverage while seated in, about to enter, operating, or about to operate an automobile or other machinery; per Administrative Rule 506.09 (a)(2)(f).
 CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THE RECCOMENDATION FOR DENIAL.

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

- a. Gorham, NH; and
- b. Manchester, NH. CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.

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

None

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

- a. Alton, NH;
- b. Alton Bay, NH;
- c. Barnstead, NH;
- d. Belmont, NH;
- e. Brookline, NH;
- f. Center Barnstead, NH;
- g. Concord, NH;
- h. Gilford, NH;
- i. Hollis, NH;
- j. Laconia, NH;
- k. Manchester, NH;
- I. Newington, NH;
- m. New London, NH;
- n. Newton, NH;
- o. North Haverhill, NH;
- p. Northwood, NH;
- q. Nottingham, NH;
- r. Stratham, NH; and
- s. West Nottingham, NH; CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.

17. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION ON TOBACCO COMPLIANCE CHECKS RECOMMENDED FOR</u> <u>COMMISSION APPROVAL</u>:

a. Lotus Food Service LLC DBA 603 Vape & Smoke, 589 Elm Street, Milford, NH 03055. Retail Tobacco License #154717 licensed pursuant to RSA 178:19-a. Cited for violation of RSA 126-K:4, I – sold tobacco products to an underage person during a compliance check. Date of violation: 09/05/2024. Case #: 24-749-OF.
Warning and mandatory completion of a Retail Tobacco Management Training Seminar (RTMTS) by a manager within thirty (30) days from the date of the adjudication. CHAIRMAN MOLLICA APPROVED THIS ITEM.

18. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING DECISION PENDING:

Hearings held on September 17, 2024:

a. 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.

CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.

19. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING DECISIONS</u>:

Sap House Meadery LLC, 6 Folsom Road, Center Ossipee, NH 03864.
 On-Premises, Beverage & Wine- Restaurant License #1512903 pursuant to RSA 178:20.
 Cited for violation of RSA 178:3/Liq. 704.01 – failed to renew liquor license thirty (30) days prior to expiration.

Date of violation: 04/24/2024

Case #: 24-293-OF.

Hearing was held on September 17, 2024: Decision Dated 09/27/2024:

"Pursuant to the offer of proof provided by Investigator Patterson and the licensee's failure to appear, consistent with RSA 179:57 I (e) I find that the licensee did violate Liq. 704.01 for failing to renew its liquor license thirty (30) days prior to expiration. A fine of \$100 is imposed and due 5 days of receipt of this order. The licensee is ordered to remain in compliance with all future filing requirements." **CHAIRMAN MOLLICA ACKNOWLEDGED.**

20. <u>MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY</u>:

None