MINUTES LICENSE COMMISSION MEETING JUNE 18, 2014

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE Revere License Commission was called to order by Chairman Joseph W. Quarantello, Jr. at 3:00 p.m. on June 18, 2014. Vice Chairperson Linda Guinasso, Commissioner John M. LaCroix, Police Lt. Sean Randall, Liaison with the Revere License Commission, and Maggie Haney, Recording Secretary, present.

Vote to accept Minutes: Vote to accept the Minutes of 5/28/14.

Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Guinasso, and seconded by Commissioner LaCroix, it was VOTED to approve the minutes.

VOTED ON THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION

Fiesta Shows

15 Pine Street Seabrook, NH John Flynn, Manager

<u>Application for a Carnival License:</u> Application of Fiesta Shows, 15 Pine Street, Seabrook, NH, John Flynn, Manager, for a Carnival License to be exercised at the North lot on Ocean Avenue, Revere, MA, from July 10, 2014 through July 13, 2014, with requested hours of operation being 1:00 p.m. -11:00 p.m. Continued from the meeting of May 28.

John Flynn appeared for the application. Due to the ongoing construction in the North Lot, this would be a much smaller carnival than in prior years. A portion of the proceeds will go to the city. In order to work around the construction timetable, the applicant is requesting hours of 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, 1 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday, and 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Sunday. Music will be shut off at 9:30, along with the noises associated with games and rides. Inspections, background checks, and police and fire details will be arranged with the appropriate departments. The Commission had concerns regarding the construction, and the fact that Ocean Avenue is blocked off around the construction site. The carnival will be fenced off, and the State Police will handle the traffic issues on the road. One of the principals of the carnival will be on-site at all times.

There were neither opponents nor proponents when called. Upon a motion duly made by Chairman Quarantello, and seconded by Commissioner LaCroix, it was VOTED to approve the application.

Hashmat A. Rauf d/b/a **Express Food Shops** 288 Broadway Gabriel Rivera, Manager

<u>Application for Renewal, Change of DBA and Change of Manager</u>: Application of Hashmat A. Rauf d/b/a Express Food Shops, Gabriel Rivera, Manager, for license renewal, change of dba to **Puerto Colombia**, and change of manager to Gabriel Rivera. **Continued from the meetings of April 16 and May 28.**

Gabriel Rivera appeared for the application. Mr. Rauf will continue to operate the establishment, with Mr. Rivera as the new manager. Mr. Rivera has had experience managing a food establishment in Cambridge. The style of the restaurant was described as changing to a Spanish restaurant. The hours will remain from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.

There were neither opponents nor proponents when called. Upon a motion duly made by Commissioner Guinasso, and seconded by Commissioner LaCroix, it was VOTED to approve the application.

Revere House of Pastry, Inc.

139 Shirley Avenue, Number 141 Fedal Lahsane, President & Manager

<u>Application for Common Victualler License</u>: Application of Revere House of Pastry, Inc., Fedal Lahsane, President and Manager, for a Common Victualler license, said license to be exercised at 139 Shirley Avenue, Number 141, from the hours of 6:00 a.m. through 10:00 p.m., serving bakery/café food, with requested seating for 22. Continued from the meeting of May 28.

Fedal Lahsane appeared for the application. In view of the ongoing issues at his other establishment, and as he had not received inspection approvals, the License Commission did not grant a conditional approval. The applicant was directed to obtain all necessary approvals and an occupancy permit and bring them to the License Commission office before the Commission could vote on his application.

SHOW CAUSE HEARING:

Show Cause Hearing for MFRP Corp. d/b/a **The Squire**, 604 Squire Road, Peter DePesa, Manager, regarding a melee at the establishment that required police presence from Revere, Malden and State Police to disperse.

The attorney representing the establishment requested a continuance to review the matter. Upon a motion duly made by Chairman Quarantello, and seconded by Commissioner Guinasso, it was VOTED to continue the matter until the next meeting.

SHOW CAUSE HEARING:

Show Cause Hearing for Auto Group, Inc. d/b/a **Revere Auto Gallery**, 120 Squire Road, concerning violations of the terms of its Class 2 Motor Vehicle license, including exceeding the maximum number of cars to be kept on the lot, and keeping cars outside the lot and on the sidewalks.

Alvin Carter appeared for the hearing. He described himself as a partner of the licensee, Wade Lee. Chairman Quarantello briefly described the situation: cars are parked outside the sidewalk, business is being done in the neighboring bank's parking lot, there is a pattern of overstocking cars beyond the 25-car limit of his license, repeated visits by the police have been ignored.

Mr. Carter agreed that there had been problems. He described it as less an issue of overstocking cars than one of things getting out of control: 25 cars for sale, 7 employees, customers, cars returned for service waiting for appointments, and trucks arriving with new cars from auctions. He assured the Commission that all problems could be solved on July 1st, when he will have storage in Malden which will provide a place for all the extra cars. He allowed that they frequently drive cars for sale into the parking lot of the neighboring bank in order to photograph the cars for the internet. Lt. Randall pointed out that Mr. Carter had promised four weeks ago that he would have storage for his cars, and still doesn't; he also observed that driving unregistered cars into the neighboring lot is illegal, as it must use a public way. Commissioner Guinasso commented on the lack of marked parking spaces in the lot.

After some discussion, the Commission ordered the license holder to take the following remedial steps by July 1st. The number of cars to be stored is now 21. Lines must be painted on the lot to indicate all parking spaces. Signs must be posted on the side of the building informing customers of where they can and cannot park. After July 1st, Lt. Randall will inspect the lot to ensure that these steps have been completed. If they have not, any cars illegally parked will be subject to towing, and the license holder may be subject to penalties.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. Communication dated 5/21/14 from Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission: a notice of suspension of Akson, Inc. d/b/a **Santorini Restaurant** for violation of Massachusetts law restricting sale of alcoholic beverages to those purchased from licensees under §18 or §19 or from a holder of a special license under §22A, said suspension to begin on Wednesday, July 9th, 2014, and last for thirty days, barring either an offer in compromise or a successful appeal.
- 2. License surrendered by Ardian Papuciu d/b/a **Dina's Roast Beef and Seafood**, 364 Broadway. He is selling his business and is currently closed.
- 3. Communication dated 6-4-2014 from Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission acknowledging receipt of form 43 notifying them of a change of DBA for Taqueria Eucalipto II Corporation d/b/a Las Vegas Restaurant.

All communications were accepted and placed on file.

LICENSE RENEWALS FOR 2014

Common Victualler

Fedal Lahsane d/b/a Assalam Market, 1559 North Shore Road – this matter was continued due to inspection issues

It was unanimously VOTED to schedule the next regular meeting Chamber.	ng on July 16, 2014, at 3:00 p.m. in the Council
Following the foregoing, there being no further business to come before the Board upon Motion duly made and seconded, it was VOTED to adjourn the meeting at 4:05 p.m.	
Joseph W. Quarantello, Jr., Chairman	Maggie Haney, Recording Secretary
Minutes of the meeting of June 18, 2014	