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Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting

Date 2/8/2022

Location: Zoom/You Tube

Members Present:

Mike Fitzsimmons, Chairperson
 Kenneth Arsenault, Member
 Nancy Binder, Member
 Lt. Nicholas Maroni, Gardner Police Department
 Angela DiPrima, Clerk

Call to Order: 4:30pm
Opening Announcements

Minutes: January 11, 2021 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

Hearing: There are no hearings.

Old Business: The South Gardner Hotel appealed its 2-day suspension to the ABCC; the 2/15 & 2/16/2022 suspension is deferred pending appeal hearing which is scheduled for 4/16/2022 at 10:00am. This hearing will be held virtually on *Microsoft Teams*. The Clerk will forward appeal notice and all contents of the file to the City Solicitor. The Chairperson will also consult with the City Solicitor to clarify any additional steps the License Commission needs to be aware.

New Business: There is a mismatch in license types with The South Gardner Hotel. The establishment currently holds a Hotel/Innkeeper alcohol license with the ABCC but has not renewed its annual Lodging/Boarding House permit with the city since 2016; they also do not hold a Hotel/Motel permit from the city either. The Clerk would like guidance on how to proceed with the mismatch in license types and questions if the boarding house license can be renewed or if they need to go through the full application process. Building Commission Jean did complete an annual 304 Inspection of the premises in October and states that they do appear to still be operating as a boarding house. The License Commission decides to consult with the City Solicitor as to how to proceed; the Clerk will draft a letter seeking his council and the Commission will discuss this issue again at the March meeting.

The ABCC Seasonal Alcohol License renewal packet has been received by the License Commission office. License renewals for seasonal establishments are due by March 31, 2022. 2021 Annual ABCC report sent out the ABCC last week.

Timpany Liquors has been constructing a new building E Broadway and has been a lot of progress.

The members would like to discuss protocol for hearings procedures to help maintain order during any future hearings.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday March 8, 2022 at 4:30pm

Adjournment: - Moved to adjourn at 4:51pm by Nancy Binder, seconded by Kenneth Arsenault, meeting adjourned by Chair Fitzsimmons.

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Approved by: **Date Approved:**