



*Licensing Board*  
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Minutes March 15, 2012  
ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: February 16, 2012

1. China Rainbow, Inc. d/b/a China Rainbow  
36-38 North Beacon Street  
Change of Manager Approved 3-0
2. The Upper Crust Watertown, LLC d/b/a The Upper Crust Pizzeria  
92-98 Main Street  
Change of Manager Approved 3-0
3. The Aegean Restaurant II, Inc. d/b/a The Aegean Restaurant  
640 Arsenal Street
  - a. Change of Hours of Operation Approved 3-0
  - b. Entertainment License Approved 3-0
4. Halfway Café, Inc. d/b/a Halfway Café  
392-398 Main Street  
Alteration of Premise Approved 3-0
5. Charles River East, Inc. d/b/a Charles River Saab  
570 Arsenal Street  
Modification of an Auto Repair License Continued to July 19, 2012
6. Mo-Ha Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Molana Comfort Restaurant & Bar  
5-7 Spring Street
  - a. Transfer of All Alcohol Common Victualler License Continued to May 17, 2012
  - b. Entertainment License Continued to May 17, 2012
7. Colonial of Watertown, Inc.  
d/b/a Colonial Buick GMC  
66 Galen Street  
Change Name Approved 3-0
8. Miller's Ale House, Inc. d/b/a  
Miller's Boston Ale House  
617 Arsenal Street  
Show Cause Continued to May 17, 2012

9. Escort Limousine Corp. d/b/a  
Escort Limousine & Atlantic Coach  
95 Arsenal Street  
Show Cause  
Properly discharged
10. John and Kimberley Stathakis  
d/b/a Orchard Park Grill  
208-210 Waverley Avenue  
Status Hearing  
Continued to May 17, 2012
11. Comments by Board Clerk and Police Department

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George B. Newman, Acting Chairman

7:30 PM to 8:40 PM

Present: Donna B. Doucette, Robert J. Whitney, George B. Newman, Sandra Hoffman Kasabian

1. China Rainbow, Inc.  
d/b/a China Rainbow  
36-38 North Beacon Street  
Watertown, MA 02472

The Watertown Licensing Board met to consider the application of China Rainbow, Inc. d/b/a China Rainbow for approval of a change in the manager of its premises at 36-38 North Beacon Street licensed for all alcohol common victualler service.

Richard Brackett, the proposed manager, appeared in support of the application. Mr. Brackett explained that he has prior experience at the Rialto, Town Stove & Spirits, Scampo and Capital Grill restaurants. He was employed as a bartender at the Newbury Street Capital Grill, has approximately 15 years of such experience, and is currently TIPS certified. He has been working with the licensee to implement some menu changes.

Sergeant Grady stated that the Police Department had no objection to the proposed change of manager, provided that the conditions stated below were imposed.

The Health Department reported that the licensee must contact the Department to update its application on file in order to reflect the change of manager.

The Licensing Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Brackett as the manager, subject to the following conditions:

1. Mr. Brackett shall ensure that all bartenders and servers of alcohol attend and successfully complete an alcohol awareness training program (e.g., TIPS) within 90 days of hire or expiration of certification. Copies of all certifications shall be forwarded to the Town Clerk's office.
2. All conditions of the existing license shall remain in place.

2. The Upper Crust Watertown, LLC  
d/b/a The Upper Crust Pizzeria  
92-98 Main Street  
Watertown, MA 02472

The Watertown Licensing Board met to consider the application of The Upper Crust Watertown, LLC d/b/a The Upper Crust Pizzeria for approval of a change in the manager of its premises at 92-98 Main Street licensed for wine and malt common victualler service.

Ronald Schronce, the proposed manager, appeared in support of the application together with Brian Toner, the corporate assistant general manager. Mr. Schronce explained that he has 10 years experience in the dinner theater business, including the service of food and alcohol. He was also employed as a purchasing manager at a college cafeteria in Maryland. He is TIPS certified and ServeSafe certified.

Sergeant Grady stated that the Police Department had no objection to the change of manager, provided that the conditions stated below were imposed.

The Health Department reported that the licensee must contact the Department and update its application on file to reflect the change of manager.

The Licensing Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Schronce as the manager, subject to the following conditions:

1. Mr. Schronce shall ensure that all bartenders and servers of alcohol attend and successfully complete an alcohol awareness training program (e.g., TIPS) within 90 days of hire or expiration of certification. Copies of all certifications shall be forwarded to the Town Clerk's office.
2. All other conditions of the existing license shall remain in place.
3. The Aegean Restaurant II, Inc.  
d/b/a The Aegean Restaurant  
640 Arsenal Street  
Watertown, MA 02472

The Watertown Licensing Board met to consider the application of The Aegean Restaurant II, Inc. d/b/a The Aegean Restaurant for approval of a change in the hours of operation of its restaurant licensed for all alcohol common victualler service at 640 Arsenal Street, and for an entertainment license to be exercised at those premises.

Chris Ntasios, president, appeared in support of the application. Mr. Ntasios stated that he was requesting a change of hours both separately and for the purpose of accommodating the requested entertainment license. It is planned that entertainment will be offered generally during the hours of 10:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight, after the usual restaurant hours. Mr. Ntasios envisions a new concept for the restaurant during those hours; however, the restaurant will still serve customers who arrive prior to 10:00 p.m. The restaurant is looking to attract an influx of customers from the hour of 10:00 p.m. on. The existing menu, a full service menu, will be offered through midnight.

Board Chairman Doucette noted that the restaurant is located in a commercial area and surrounded by commercial properties.

Sergeant Grady stated that the Police Department had no objection to the proposed change of hours, and no objection to the granting of an entertainment license, provided that the conditions stated below were imposed.

The Health Department reported that the licensee must contact the Department to update its application to reflect the change of hours.

The Licensing Board voted unanimously to approve a change in the hours of operation, as follows: Monday through Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m., and Sunday 12:00 noon to midnight. In addition, the Board voted unanimously to approve an entertainment license, for music, subject to the following conditions:

1. Musicians shall be limited to three, one of which may be a singer.
2. Instruments shall be limited to a piano, string and reed instruments.

3. The space provided for entertainment shall be limited to the area shown on the plan submitted (floor plan sketch received in the office of the Town Clerk on March 15, 2012).
  4. No dancing shall be allowed.
  5. The hours for entertainment shall be 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight Monday through Friday; 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight on Saturday; and 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Sunday.
  6. A full service menu and kitchen hours must be maintained when entertainment is offered.
  7. The restaurant seating shall decrease by four seats during the hours entertainment is offered.
  8. Sunday entertainment shall be subject to all of the conditions applicable to entertainment on Monday through Saturday.
4. Halfway Café, Inc.  
d/b/a Halfway Café  
392-398 Main Street  
Watertown, MA 02472

The Watertown Licensing Board met to consider the application of Halfway Café, Inc. d/b/a Halfway Café for approval of an alteration of its premises at 392-398 Main Street licensed for all alcohol common victualler service.

John Grasso, president, appeared in support of the application. Mr. Grasso explained that the restaurant's draft beer system is currently located on the second floor, and there is a walk-in refrigerator approximately 60-70 years old that requires replacement. The essence of the request is approval of the storage of food and alcohol in a walk-in cooler, which will be located inside the building at 392 Main Street, in the space formerly occupied by Vahey's Liquors.

In response to a question from the Board, Mr. Grasso explained that access to the walk-in cooler is from the exterior of the building. No. 392 Main Street is not connected to the restaurant premises. The draft beer system will operate via a piping arrangement.

Sergeant Grady stated that the Police Department had no objection to the approval of the proposed alterations, and requested that the licensed premises description be revised to include No. 392 Main Street.

The Health Department reported that the licensee must contact the Department and comply with Department provisions including, but not limited to, food establishment plan review application requirements.

The Licensing Board voted unanimously to approve the alterations as shown on the plan entitled "Proposed Renovations, Storage & Cooler Area Only Halfway Café 392 Main Street, Watertown, MA" by Construction Design Services dated 7-6-10, sheet A-1, and as generally described in a proposal of Lenox-Martel to the licensee dated December 21, 2011.

5. Charles River East, Inc.  
d/b/a Charles River Saab  
570 Arsenal Street  
Watertown, MA 02472

The Watertown Licensing Board, on the request of the applicant, has continued its hearing on the application of Charles River East, Inc. d/b/a Charles River Saab for a modification of its motor vehicle repair license exercised at 570 Arsenal Street. The continued hearing on this application will be held on July 19, 2012 at 7:15 p.m. in the Philip Pane Hearing Room, Administration Building, 149 Main Street, Watertown, MA.

6. Mo-Ha Holdings, Inc.  
d/b/a Molana Comfort Restaurant & Bar  
5-7 Spring Street  
Watertown, MA 02472

The Watertown Licensing Board has continued its hearing on the application of Mo-Ha Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Molana Comfort Restaurant & Bar for a transfer to it of the all alcohol common victualler license exercised at 5-7 Spring Street by Molana Restaurant, Inc. d/b/a Molana Comfort Restaurant & Bar, and for an entertainment license to be exercised at those premises. The continued hearing on this application will be held on May 17, 2012 at 7:15 p.m. in the Philip Pane Hearing Room, Administration Building, 149 Main Street, Watertown, MA.

7. Colonial of Watertown, Inc.  
d/b/a Colonial Buick GMC  
66 Galen Street  
Watertown, MA 02472

The Watertown Licensing Board met to consider the application of Colonial of Watertown, Inc. d/b/a Colonial Buick GMC for approval of a change in name for exercise of a Class 1 auto dealer license at 66 Galen Street from Colonial Buick Pontiac GMC, Inc. to Colonial of Watertown, Inc. d/b/a Colonial Buick GMC.

Brett Douglass, general manager, appeared in support of the application. Mr. Douglass stated that since Pontiac automobiles were no longer in production General Motors required its dealers to remove the word "Pontiac" from dealership names.

Sergeant Grady stated that the Police Department had no objection to the proposed name change, but that the existing license conditions should remain in place.

The Health Department reported that the licensee must amend its application materials on file with the Department to reflect the change of name.

The Licensing Board voted unanimously to approve the change in name, subject to the following condition: all existing conditions of the license shall remain in place.

8. Miller's Ale House, Inc.  
d/b/a Miller's Boston Ale House  
617 Arsenal Street  
Watertown, MA 02472

The Watertown Licensing Board, at the request of the licensee, has continued its show cause hearing on the matter of alleged violation of the Liquor Control Act by Miller's Alehouse, Inc. d/b/a Miller's Alehouse at its premises licensed for all alcohol common victualler service at 617 Arsenal Street. The continued hearing on this application will be held on May 17, 2012 at 7:15 p.m. in the Philip Pane Hearing Room, Administration Building, 149 Main Street, Watertown, MA.

9. Escort Limousine Corp. d//b/a  
Escort Limousine & Atlantic Coach  
95 Arsenal Street  
Watertown, MA 02472

The show cause hearing was properly discharged.

10. John and Kimberley Stathakis  
d/b/a Orchard Park Grill  
208-210 Waverley Avenue  
Watertown, MA 02472

The Watertown Licensing Board held a hearing on the status of the all alcohol common victualler license exercised by John and Kimberley Stathakis d/b/a Orchard Park Grill at 208-210 Waverly Avenue, specifically with reference to the Licensee's compliance with the statutory requirement to maintain workers' compensation insurance.

John Stathakis appeared on behalf of the licensee. He explained that the Louis Kirsch Insurance Agency in Waltham had assumed responsibility for all of the restaurant's insurance matters. He stated that he did not have a binder of insurance at the present time but that the Board could contact the agency. He stated that he had obtained alcohol liability, building liability and workers' compensation insurance.

The Board informed Mr. Stathakis, and ordered, that if evidence of all required insurance was not submitted to the Board by March 21, 2012, the Board would conduct a show cause hearing in May. The evidence shall consist of an insurance binder or a certificate of insurance.