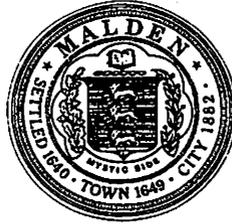


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**MINUTES OF MEETING
MALDEN LICENSING BOARD
March 23, 2021**

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Kathryn M. Fallon, City Solicitor
Diane M. Anthony, Clerk
Captain Marc Gatcomb, Police Liaison

The Meeting was called to order by Chairman Lee Kinnon via telephone/zoom conference call at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Andrew Zeiberg to approve the Minutes from February 23, 2021 meeting of the Malden Licensing Board

Seconded by Frances Lin

Roll Call Vote:
Andrew Zeiberg – Yea
Frances Lin – Yea
Lee Kinnon – Yea

Motion passed.

The next item on the Agenda is the application of Exchange Street Bistro for permanent-seasonal sidewalk/patio service at 67 Exchange Street. Present and representing Exchange Street Bistro was owner and manager, John Carlino.

Chairman Kinnon asked Mr. Carlino about hours for the sidewalk service and Mr. Carlino answered regular hours. Chairman Kinnon explained that the latest hours for sidewalk service is 11:00 PM. Mr. Carlino said that works fine for him.

Member, Andrew Zeiberg asked if approved when they would open. Mr. Carlino said the sidewalk had further work to be done and should probably be ready in May. The cement cured improperly and they had to re-pour the sidewalk. Mr. Zeiberg asked if there would be fencing and Mr. Carlino noted the plan submitted showed the

sidewalk area fenced in with wrought iron. Mr. Carlino also stated the same staff outside would be from their inside area. He would have 1 host outside and 1 host inside for busy times. For slower times it would be one host. He anticipates being open for outside dining during the spring summer and fall only.

Member, Frances Lin said Mr. Zeiberg asked all the questions she was going to ask and she has no further questions.

Chairman Kinnon noted that a verbal approval has been received by Board of Health Director Chris Webb and this is also true for the next application, Mystic Station. Mr. Webb has also notified the Board that all patios will be inspected by the Board of Health for COVID compliance is the next few weeks.

Chairman Kinnon also noted for the record that the seating capacity for the Exchange Street Bistro sidewalk area is 315 square feet and capacity seating at 32 people.

Note for the record an email of support from Councillor Ryan O'Malley which is attached hereto.

Motion by Andrew Zeiberg to approve outdoor sidewalk/patio service with closing time of 11:00 PM and all final approvals from City Departments – Seconded by Frances Lin.

Roll Call Vote:

Andrew Zeiberg – Yea

Frances Lin – Yea

Lee Kinnon – Yea

Motion passed.

The next item on the Agenda is the application of Mystic Station for permanent-seasonal sidewalk/patio service at 139 Pleasant Street. Present and representing Mystic Station was Bryan Palazzolo, owner, and manager.

Chairman Kinnon noted that the Board had already approved this sidewalk/patio service last fall, however, Mystic Station is requesting a slightly larger area and permanent-seasonal service. Bryan Palazzolo said that he did not complete the build out of the area last fall.

Member Andrew Zeiberg asked if they had received approval from the adjacent businesses for the use of the two parking spaces and Bryan said they had received approval from each of the businesses along with DPW Commission approval. They will be occupying 2 parking space areas and concrete barriers will be installed at the beginning of each seasonal service and removed at the end of each seasonal service. The decking will also be removed each season and the two parking spaces will be available for winter parking.

Mr. Zeiberg asked if they would be closing outdoor dining at 11:00 PM and Bryan said yes. He also said that he would be using the same staff as their indoor staff. He anticipates only one host is needed. They will only be seating 30 patrons inside with the 6' COVID restrictions and there will be 40 seats available for the outdoor service. Mr. Zeiberg asked about the tables used outside. Bryan said they have all new furniture for the outdoor seating that is collapsible.

Member Frances Lin asked about the outside seating capacity is greater than the indoor capacity (40 outside and 30 inside). Bryan said that normally the indoor capacity is 65 but their restaurant is narrow and with the COVID restrictions they can only seat 30 inside at this time. Ms. Lin asked when he anticipated opening the outdoor

seating. Bryan said they restaurant is closed now but they anticipate a re-opening in mid-April. He said they went from 27 employees down to 7. He is hiring now for full-time, full shifts. He will have a number of new staff to hire and train. Ms. Lin noted they all needed to be TIPS trained and Bryan said always.

Chairman Kinnon indicated that as a point of interest he would like to point out that their current Certificate of Insurance expires at the end of March. Bryan said they will produce a new COI before the re-opening in mid-April.

Chairman Kinnon asked about the total square footage for the outdoor service. Bryan will provide that information to the Clerk tomorrow.

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Motion by Andrew Zeiberg to approve outdoor sidewalk/patio service with closing time of 11:00 PM and all final approvals from City Departments – Seconded by Frances Lin.

Roll Call Vote:

Andrew Zeiberg – Yea

Frances Lin – Yea

Lee Kinnon – Yea

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m. Next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on April 27, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
Submitted by:

Diane M. Anthony, Clerk
Malden Licensing Board
Minutes Approved by:

Lee A. Kinnon
Andrew Zeiberg

Frances Lin

Diane M. Anthony

From: Ryan O'Malley
Sent: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 11:40 AM
To: Diane M. Anthony
Cc: Nicole Palazzolo
Subject: Re: LLG AGENDA FOR MARCH 23 2021 MEETING - AMENDED

Honorable Members of the License Committee,

I write in support of the petitions by Exchange Street Bistro and Mystic Station for expanded patio space.

Governor Baker has been clear that we must do everything in our power to help businesses rapidly recover from the economic and public health crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Malden City Council and Traffic Commission agrees and voted in 2020 to support expanded patio space for Malden businesses.

I am sure you all understand the unique predicament we find ourselves in, and will do everything in your power to help Malden's local economy recover.

Sincerely,

Ryan O'Malley
Councillor Ward 4
City of Malden

On Mar 17, 2021, at 11:32 AM, Diane M. Anthony <dma@cityofmalden.org> wrote:

Please see attached amended agenda for the March 23, 2021 meeting.

Diane

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