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**MINUTES OF MEETING
MALDEN LICENSING BOARD
October 19, 2021**

Andrew Zeiberg, Board Member – Acting Chairman
Frances Lin, Member
Kathryn M. Fallon, City Solicitor
Diane M. Anthony, Clerk
Captain Marc Gatcomb, Police Liaison

The Meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman Andrew Zeiberg in person at 6:00 p.m.
It was stated by Mr. Zeiberg that the meeting will be recorded on Zoom and may be recorded by UMA.

Motion by Frances Lin to approve the Minutes from September 21, 2021, meeting of the Malden Licensing Board

All in favor

Motion passed.

The next item on the agenda is the application of Gary, Inc. d/b/a Robinson's, 1556 Eastern Avenue for a Change of Manager, Change of Stock Interest and Change of Officers and Directors. Present and representing the applicant was Attorney Matthew Porter along with proposed owner/manager Suny Patel.

Mr. Zeiberg asked Attorney Porter if he would like to make a presentation. Attorney Porter stated that this is an applicant for change of manager, change of stock interest and change of officers and directors. Mr. Suny Patel is purchasing 100 percent of the shares of the corporation. Mr. Suny Patel has had experience with alcohol sales since 2016. He owns shares in two other locations. In the years Mr. Suny Patel has been in business there have been no violations and all employees are required to be TIPS certified. There will be no changes to the hours of operation of Robinson's and they have also petitioned for a change in the Massachusetts State Lottery license as well.

Mr. Zeiberg asked if he manages any other locations. Attorney Porter said he is not the manager of record of any other licenses, but Suny Patel does work at the other location. Mr. Zeiberg asked if he was the store manager and Attorney Porter said he is the store manager. Mr. Zeiberg asked how much time Mr. Suny Patel intends to spend in the Malden location. Mr. Patel said he would work 20 hours at one store and 40 hours in the Malden location. Mr. Patel initially said he would work 80 hours per week, but Attorney Porter corrected the math to said it would

be 60 hours per week. Mr. Zeiberg said he thought 80 hours a week was a lot of time. Mr. Zeiberg asked to confirm he would be the sole owner of Robinsons and Attorney Porter said yes.

Member Frances Lin asked Mr. Suny Patel if he knew how to purchase and/or order alcohol. Mr. Patel said he does know, and he orders from Busch, Budweiser. Since it is a beer and wine license only that is all, he will be ordering. Attorney Porter said it is a convenience store that sells beer, wine, groceries and lottery. Ms. Lin then asked if Mr. Patel knew the 6 forms of acceptable identification and Mr. Patel stated, Massachusetts ID, Military ID, Passport, Massachusetts Drivers License. Mr. Patel said they will ID every person purchasing beer and wine.

Mr. Zeiberg asked if the video security system was in working order and if they would work with the Malden Police if needed. Mr. Patel said yes, of course. Mr. Zeiberg asked Captain Gatcomb if they have any incidents and Captain Gatcomb said they have had several years without incident.

Attorney Fallon asked for updated certifications from the DUA and DOR as the ones in the packet are from June 2021. Attorney Porter said he would get the accountant right on that.

Mr. Zeiberg stressed to Mr. Suny Patel that this Board feels it is most important that there is no service of underage minors and was glad he knew the acceptable forms of identification Mr. Zeiberg was glad to hear that they would be ID'ing all customers who make beer and wine purchases.

Mr. Zeiberg asked if there was anyone present in support of this petition – Hearing and seeing no one. That portion of the hearing is closed.

Mr. Zeiberg asked if there was anyone present in opposition of this petition – Hearing and seeing no one. That portion of the hearing is closed.

Motion by Frances Lin to approve, Change of Manager, Change of Stock Interest and Change of Officers and Directors.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. Next regularly scheduled meeting will be held at the call of the Chair

Submitted by:

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




