



# City of Methuen, Massachusetts

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METHUEN LICENSING BOARD  
SEARLES BUILDING, 41 PLEASANT STREET  
SECOND FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM #208

MEETING of the Methuen Licensing Board on Wednesday July 12, 2023, at 6:00PM in the second-floor conference room, 41 Pleasant Street was called to order by Chairman Chase Members present was Commissioner Camargo and Commissioner Giordano

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda, Commissioner Giordano motioned to approve the agenda for July 12, 2023, Second by Commissioner Camargo, All in favor.

Approval of Minutes, Commissioner Giordano motioned to approve the minutes from June 27, 2023, second by Commissioner Camargo, All in favor

New Business

An application was submitted from Andrew Upton, representing Texas Roadhouse Holding, LLC 424 Broadway for a change of manager. Tracy Ferrant, the new manager told the board that she has twelve years' experience and is tip certified as is all servers and bartenders. With no questions, Commissioner Giordano motioned to approve the application. Second by Commissioner Caqmargo. All in favor.

An application was submitted for a new All Alcohol License from Attorney Anthony Copani Esq. representing Wengs Garden, Inc. 436 R Broadway. Attorney Copani submitted an updated plan showing what the new restaurant would look like. He said this is the site of the old Knights of Columbus He stated that there is a lease in place and that there would be seating for 135. They plan on having 12 full time employees and 6 part time employees. Hours would be Sun – Thurs 11:00AM – 11:00PM Fri and Sat. 11:00 -12:00 PM. Chairman Chase stated that he thinks the application is a little premature and that we can not approve this application until all the departments have a final sigh off. Commissioner Camargo motioned to table until all the sign offs are complete, Commissioner Giordano second. All in favor

An application was submitted from Attorney Louis Cassis for a All-Alcohol Liquor License from 2030 Ocean Street to Neighborhood Convenience Market, 7 Cross Street. Chairman Chase asked it there was any one present representing 2030 Ocean Street. There was not. Attorney Cassis submitted a petition from 150 people in favor of the application. He stated that Ms. Lea Patel would me the manager and has 15-20 years' experience and have three other establishments. In all those years there has never been any problems. He explained that the Convenience store is 6000sq. ft. and would be converted to a complete package store. He states that the reason

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2030 did not open because they could not get the location that they wanted. Because Takilas would not leave even with an ejection notice. Had they left, 2030 would be there now. Chairman Chase said that he is concerned. he was disappointed to hear that the license is being sold for \$300,000. Commissioner Giordano asked if we want to ask 2030 Ocean Street it be present for the next meeting. Chairman Chase yes, he is very interested in what they have to say. He then asked if there is anybody here that would like to speak in favor or against this transfer. The following people all spoke in favor.

Amanda Corriea Mystic Street

Dave Apkarian 54 Salem Street

Sandy Holms 11 Brown Court

Andrea Page Little Island Pond Salem NH

Jen Hong 18 Alexander Circle

Chairman was impressed with the amount of support. He asked to let the record reflect that 20230 Ocean Street to be present at our next meeting. Commissioner Giordan motioned to agurin Second by Commissioner Camargo. All in favor.

**The next meeting will be held Wednesday August 9, 2023**