



# City of Chicopee, Massachusetts

## License Commission

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William Pagel, Chairman  
Donald Goulette  
Joseph Martin  
Jeanette Jez  
Bernie St. George

Minutes for April 18, 2019 meeting held in the City Council Chambers at 6:00 PM

In attendance: Chairman Pagel, Commissioners Goulette, Martin, Jez and St. George

Minutes for April 18, 2019 are presented to the Board. Commissioner Goulette makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Martin seconds. Motion approved 5-0

Hearing for failure to submit Application for a Change of Officers/ Directors for St. Stan's Club, 21 Chestnut St: No one appeared for this meeting. Chairman Pagel makes a motion that paperwork must be submitted within 2 weeks. Commissioner Martin seconds. Motion approved 5-0

Application for a New Annual Beer/Wine Package Store for Chen and Lin Enterprises, Inc., D/b/a Chen and Lin, 454 Grattan St- In attendance: Zhao Xing Lin, Yi Qing Chen, Ms. Lin. At this time Chairman Pagel asks if they have any experience in the alcohol industry. Mrs. Chen states that her daughter Ms. Lin will translating for them. They do not have any experience. Chairman Pagel expresses his concern over the close proximity to an existing package store that is directly across the street. At this time Chairman Pagel opens discussion form those in attendance. Mr. Christopher Johnson, Esq. informs the Board that there is no need for a license in hat location due to one being across the street. There is a lack of accessible parking. There are also concerns of increased traffic in the area which could create a public safety issue. Mr. Chapdelaine objects to this license location with concerns of 2 schools in close proximity and children walking by. There are limited sidewalks in the area. Also there was a delivery truck there today and it blocked the side street and part of Grattan St. Mr. Ed Skiba, 87 Kaveny St opposes this license. His concerns are the traffic in the area, many children in area. The side street next to the building is used as a cut thru for the neighborhood. Councilman Gary Labrie cites his concerns as lack of parking, increase in traffic of an already congested area, 2 schools and a church in close proximity, the location of 4 other package stores within a mile of this location. There is a berm on the side of the building that is city owned property and cannot be used for parking. There is limited parking in the back, the rest would be on street parking which is a concern. He has also heard from several constituents in this ward who oppose this license. Mrs. Rhonda Skiba, 87 Kaveny St shares her concerns with the amount of children in the area, some with special needs, and safety concerns. There are already issues with trying to cross the street in this area. A delivery truck at that location today was blocking the street. A safety vehicle would not have been able to travel through if there was an emergency. There is not enough parking for the location. Also their lack of experience in selling alcohol is a concern. MS. Lin (translator for parents) states that this building has been used for businesses for a long time. Chairman Pagel states that it has but the traffic in the area has changed through the years. The commissioners confer about all that has been brought to their attention. Commissioner Goulette makes a motion to deny this application for the following reasons: lack of public need, lack of experience in handling alcohol, increase in traffic and negative input from the public. Commissioner Martin seconds. Motion approved 5-0.

Application for a Change of Manager/Officers/ Directors for Pulaski Club, 13 Norman St- In attendance: Dorothy Wojtczak. Ms. Wojtczak will be the manager. She is on premises 40+ hours per week. She is TIPs trained. Commissioner Martin makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Jez seconds. Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Special Event Permit for Pulaski Club, 13 Norman St (Male Revue/Magic Mike Event) Commissioner Goulette makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Jez seconds. Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Change of Officers/ Directors for K of C Elder Council #69  
Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.  
Motion approved 5-0

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Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.  
Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Change of Officers/ Directors for Chicopee Center Post #452  
Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Martin seconds. Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Change of Officers/ Directors for Tigers  
Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Martin seconds. Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Change of Officers/ Directors for Moose Lodge #1849  
Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Martin seconds. Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Change of Officers/ Directors for Eagles  
Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Martin seconds. Motion approved 5-0

Application for additional Automatic Amusements for Pour Richards, 116 School St- 1 Skill Touch, 6 Multi Game Arcade Machines  
Commissioner Jez makes a motion to table this application until more information is available on the machines.  
Commissioner Martin seconds. Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Special One Day Permit(Wine /Malt) for Aramark @ Elms, 291 Springfield St for a Good Friday Fish Fry to be held on Friday April 19, 2019 from 4:00 PM until 7:00 PM with Maria Lopes as applicant  
Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.  
Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Special One Day Permit(All Alcohol) for Aramark @ Elms, 291 Springfield St for a Presidents Reception to be held on Wednesday April 24, 2019 from 5:00 PM until 9:00 PM with Maria Lopes as applicant  
Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.  
Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Special One Day Permit(Wine /Malt) for Aramark @ Elms, 291 Springfield St for a CE Deans Reception to be held on Thursday April 25, 2019 from 4:00 PM until 9:00 PM with Maria Lopes as applicant  
Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.  
Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Special One Day Permit(Wine /Malt) for Aramark @ Elms, 291 Springfield St for a Post Bac Premedical Certification Ceremony to be held on Friday May 10, 2019 from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM with Maria Lopes as applicant  
Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.  
Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Special One Day Permit(Wine /Malt) for Aramark @ Elms, 291 Springfield St for a Senior Reception to be held on Monday May 13, 2019 from 3:00 PM until 9:00 PM with Maria Lopes as applicant  
Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.

Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Special One Day Permit(Wine /Malt) for Aramark @ Elms, 291 Springfield St for a MBA Accounting Event to be held on Thursday May 23, 2019 from 4:00 PM until 9:00 PM with Maria Lopes as applicant

Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.

Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Special One Day Permit(Wine /Malt) for White Lion Brewing @ Elms, 291 Springfield St for an Alumni Event to be held on Saturday April 20, 2019 from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM with Jessica Colson as applicant

Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.

Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Special One Day Permit (Wine /Malt) for Brian Suchy for a Welcome Home Party to be held @ Elks, 433 Granby Rd on Saturday May 18, 2019 from 2:00 PM until 6:00 PM with Brian Suchy as applicant

Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.

Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Special One Day Permit (Wine /Malt) for the Galaxy Community Council, 255 Padgette St for a Festival and Car Show to be held on Saturday June 8, 2019 from 11:00 AM until 6:00 PM with Connie Brown as applicant

Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.

Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Special Event Permit for the Galaxy Community Council, 255 Padgette St for a Festival and Car Show to be held on Saturday June 8, 2019 from 11:00 AM until 6:00 PM with Connie Brown as applicant

Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.

Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Special One Day Permit(Wine /Malt) for Frontera Grill, 1625 Memorial Dr for a Cinco de Mayo Celebration to be held on Saturday May 4, 2019 from 11:00 AM until 9:00 PM with Federico Mendiola as applicant

Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.

Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Special One Day Permit(Wine /Malt) for Frontera Grill, 1625 Memorial Dr for a Cinco de Mayo Celebration to be held on Sunday May 5, 2019 from 11:00 AM until 9:00 PM with Federico Mendiola as applicant

Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.

Motion approved 5-0

Application for a Special One Day Permit(Wine/Malt) for Patti's 4-10, 32 Quincy Ave for a Golf Tournament to be held on Saturday May 11, 2019 from 9:00 AM until 10:00 PM with Gary Bousquet as applicant

Commissioner Jez makes a motion to approve. Commissioner St. George seconds.

Motion approved 5-0

Filing fees are read by Commissioner Jez.

ABCC approvals - Change of Manger /Officers for Country Club Grille

Review of Police reports- Detective Michael Dion has several reports. They are as follows:

Friendly package Store- During a routine compliance check it was noted that an alleged violation has occurred concerning the locking of an entrance that is part of the licensed description.

Post 452- several calls for a large fight outside of the premises during a Quincera party that resulted in a serious injury.

These 2 establishments will be brought in for hearings.

There is also a report of an illegal speakeasy at 66 Cabot St. This is a criminal matter.