

A regular meeting of the Liquor Advisory Committee was held on Monday, March 14, 2011 in the Lower Level Conference Room of Troy City Hall, 500 West Big Beaver Road. Committee member Patrick C. Hall called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Patrick C. Hall
Andrew Kaltsounis
David S. Ogg
Timothy P. Payne

ABSENT: Max K. Ehlert, Chairman
W. Stan Godlewski
Bohdan L. Ukrainec

ALSO PRESENT: Officer James Feld
Susan Lancaster, Assistant City Attorney
Dane Lepola, student representative
Pat Gladysz

Resolution to Excuse Committee Members Ehlert, Godlewski, Ukrainec

Resolution #LC2011-03-005
Moved by Payne
Seconded by Kaltsounis

RESOLVED, That the absence of Committee members Ehlert, Godlewski, and Ukrainec at the Liquor Advisory Committee meeting of March 14, 2011 be **EXCUSED**.

Yes: 4
No: 0
Absent: Ehlert, Godlewski, Ukrainec

Resolution to Approve Minutes of February 7, 2011 Meeting

Resolution #LC2011-03-006
Moved by Kaltsounis
Seconded by Payne

RESOLVED, That the Minutes of the February 7, 2011 meeting of the Liquor Advisory Committee be **APPROVED**.

Yes: 4
No: 0
Absent: Ehlert, Godlewski, Ukrainec

Agenda Items

1. **Mr. Pizza, Inc.** requests to Transfer All Stock Interest in 2010 SDD and SDM Licensed Business, located at 4973 Livernois, Troy, MI 48098, Oakland County, wherein Amira Shemami transfers 10,000 shares of stock to new stockholder, Najib Jr. Najib Shemami {MLCC Req. #572153}. *Mr. Pizza is on the southwest corner of Long Lake and Livernois.*

Present to answer questions from the Committee was Najib Shemani, Jr.

Mr. Shemani informed the Committee that this is a family business. He has been involved in the business for approximately 12 years and is purchasing it from his mother whose health has declined.

Officer Feld reported that the Police Department's investigation of Mr. Shemani resulted in various items. There were several fines from the MLCC for non-sufficient fund checks. Mr. Shemani explained that these were the result of poor bookkeeping practices when his mother became ill. The investigation also showed that Mr. Shemani was arrested a few times, but there were no convictions on any of the charges. Officer Feld also stated that in August of 2010 the MLCC issued a violation which could have resulted in a suspension of the liquor license. The business resolved the matter in a timely fashion and no action was taken against the license.

Officer Feld also reported that there have been two sales-to-minors violations since 1996 when the current owners purchased the business.

Resolution #LC2011-03-007
Moved by Kaltsounis
Seconded by Payne

RESOLVED, That the Liquor Advisory Committee recommends that the request of Mr. Pizza, Inc. to Transfer All Stock Interest in 2010 SDD and SDM Licensed Business, located at 4973 Livernois, Troy, MI 48098, Oakland County, wherein Amira Shemami transfers 10,000 shares of stock to new stockholder, Najib Jr. Najib Shemami be **APPROVED**.

Yes: 4
No: 0
Absent: Ehlert, Godlewski, Ukrainec

Officer Feld advised the Committee on the following:

Simbad, Inc.

This request for new permit will likely be withdrawn.

Capital Grille Holdings, Inc.

This outdoor service area should appear on next month's Agenda.

Billy Casper Golf – Sanctuary Lake

This is a license transfer and should appear on next month's Agenda.

Assistant City Attorney Lancaster advised the Committee that City Council elected to not hold liquor violation hearings this year. The City Attorney's office sent letters to each of the businesses that had received violations. They are required to re-train their employees in either TIPS or TAMS, and forward verification of that training to Officer Feld.

Ms. Lancaster also stated that Crank's Catering was apparently the low, qualified bidder for the City Caterer bid, and the proposed bid and agreement are scheduled to go to City Council for approval at either the March 28, 2011 meeting or shortly thereafter. It is her understanding that an Open House will be held for the community.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Max K. Ehlert, Chairman

Patricia A. Gladysz, Secretary II