

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

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**Minutes of the June 9, 2016
Alcoholic Beverage Control Board Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 6:08p.m.

The Open Public Meeting Act statement was read by Suzanne Hetman, Board Secretary.

ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS	
Chairman Robert W. Phillips	ABSENT
Vice Chairman Michael Blumenfeld	✓
Commissioner Steven Bauman	✓

Also Present: Suzanne Hetman, board secretary, Ben Choi, Esq., attorney for the board, and Daisy Amado, recording secretary.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of the May 12, 2016 meeting and the May 26, 2016 meeting: Vice Chairman deferred the approval of both minutes to the next board meeting.

2016-2017 LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWALS (Exhibit B)

Typo on Exhibit B for 600 Washington Street.

Motion to accept with one change of 800 Washington Street to 600 Washington Street.

BOARD MEMBER	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	No Vote
Chairman Phillips						✓
Vice Chairman Blumenfeld		✓	✓			
Commissioner Bauman	✓		✓			

**2016-2017 LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL – Special Condition Hearing (Exhibit B) –
Liquor License number 0905-33-114-011, World Famous Entertainment Co. d/b/a Room 84,
84 Washington Street**

Mr. Joseph Branco, licensee, appeared before the board and was sworn-in. Board attorney advised this is a license with conditions and there are no records of any new incidents. Mr. Branco requested these conditions be terminated if he were to sell or pocket the license in order to market as a clean license. Board attorney stated once he decides to sell or pocket, he may make that request to the board at that time and board has opportunity to reconsider. Board discussed severe incidents in the past, and as far as renewing the license, they wish to leave existing conditions.

Motion to approve the license with the existing conditions.

BOARD MEMBER	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	No Vote
Chairman Phillips						✓
Vice Chairman Blumenfeld	✓		✓			
Commissioner Bauman		✓	✓			

2016-2017 LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL – Liquor License number 0905-44-006-006, Zafar Chudhry M. & Qaisra d/b/a Hoboken Liquor & Deli, 98 Willow Avenue

Mr. Chudhry Zafar, licensee, appeared before the board and was sworn-in. Board attorney advised this liquor license is to be considered for renewal with conditions. Counsel for licensee, Robert Williams, notified he would not be present tonight and board attorney recommends we reschedule with Mr. Williams present as license has pending charges.

Motion to table to next meeting.

BOARD MEMBER	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	No Vote
Chairman Phillips						✓
Vice Chairman Blumenfeld		✓	✓			
Commissioner Bauman	✓		✓			

HEARINGS

(1) Liquor License #0905-33-074-007, Ronbon LLC, d/b/a The Ainsworth, 310 Sinatra Drive, Case number 16-06

Board attorney indicated he reviewed this matter with the City and for the reasons he stated on record at the previous meeting concerning House of Q, there was an error with the permitting procedure for the City. Board attorney is recommending dismissal of this matter. Board mentioned the importance of the Administration rectifying the permitting procedure.

Motion to dismiss.

BOARD MEMBER	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	No Vote
Chairman Phillips						✓
Vice Chairman Blumenfeld		✓	✓			
Commissioner Bauman	✓		✓			

NEW BUSINESS

- Whiskey Bar, LLC d/b/a Mills Tavern, Case number 15-22:** Board attorney advised a plea was entered for this matter for 2 days with 5 held in abeyance. Licensee requesting to take his two day closing on July 2 and 3rd.

Motion to approve July 2 and July 3rd closing dates.

BOARD MEMBER	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	No Vote
Chairman Phillips						✓
Vice Chairman Blumenfeld	✓	✓	✓			
Commissioner Bauman		✓	✓			

- Board secretary and board attorney discussed resolutions required for the license renewals with existing conditions. Board secretary will email Alysia Proko, Esq. (former board attorney) and copy Mr. Choi on the email.

3. Discussion as to amount of license renewals left and possible concern with Pier 13 renewal.

Motion to close the meeting.

BOARD MEMBER	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	No Vote
Chairman Phillips						✓
Vice Chairman Blumenfeld		✓	✓			
Commissioner Bauman	✓		✓			

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.