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**NLOC Meeting
Tuesday October 17, 2017 at 3:30 PM
Portland Downtown – 549 Congress Street**

Present: Lt. Kevin Cashman (PPD), Jessica Hanscombe & Carl Nguyen (Business Licensing), Jon Dow (Waterfront Concerts), Dan Talmatch (North Point), Tony Austin (State Liquor Enforcement), Kelley Burich (Thompson's Point), Josh Miranda (Blyth & Burrows), Doug Fuss (Bull Feeney's), Bob Waitkevitch (Fore Play), Tanner Herget (Bonfire), Mike Lizotte (Drink Exchange)

Board members: Sarah Martin, Mike Erickson, Alen Saric

Staff: Taffy Eaton

Minute 1. Introductions: Sarah Martin opened the meeting and asked for introductions

Minute 2. Review and approval of Minutes: Alen Saric made a motion to approve the September 19, 2017 meeting minutes. Sarah Martin seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. Discussion:

- North Point update: Dan is meeting with Public Works Director Chris Branch tomorrow to further discuss the sidewalk widening process

Minute 3. Review Night Life Issues/Calls for Service/License for November renewals: Lt. Kevin Cashman reviewed the calls for service in the packet.

Minute 4. Review of new and pending liquor licenses for October 2017: Jessica Hanscombe reviewed the October 2nd and October 16th applications.

- Exchange Club was tabled at the October 2nd meeting and approved at the October 16th meeting. Jessica measured at right angles, in public ways (streets and sidewalks) as the ordinance requires. Jessica was not aware of Bull Feeney's 2nd egress doorway onto Milk St which Josh claims is less than 100' from the Exchange Club. This is a basement club with capacity for roughly 400 with a Private club on the 2nd floor. It has a 6-month review and a year-long license as everyone here does.
- The City Council meetings are well advertised in the Portland Press Herald and on the City website and time is allotted for public comment at certain meetings
- Sarah would like NLOC to be able to discuss upcoming licensee applications on City Council agendas. It is directly related to safety, this committee's mission. NLOC is an advisory committee.
- Jessica described the process and timing: The deadline for application submission is 3 weeks prior to the City Council meeting. Jessica set November 6th agenda today and the November 20th council meeting has an October 30th deadline for item submission. There are no entertainment license applications on the November 6th Council agenda.
- Sarah will contact Jessica monthly for license applications and Taffy will email the list to the NLOC email list

Minute 5. Committee Goal setting:

- Sarah reviewed the new NLOC cards to be used as a meeting attendance recruitment tool
- New Goal #3: Review NLOC 2002 bylaws to see if they're still pertinent to today

Minute 6. Other business:

- Alen commented that Pearl has generated more noise complaints from guests in the last 3 weekends than all summer. He receives most the next day or online. Portland Police Department (PPD) needs verified complaints, as the ordinance is written. Kevin reported that the Calls for Service sheets report all noise complaints, not just the verified complaints.
- Josh asked if there is a way to revisit the Exchange Club approval language. Jessica said that the City attorney backed the method Jessica measured based on the ordinance language. She will check with the City attorney about the approval language.
- Tony mentioned TIPS training to Larry and he is available to do it. Tony will find out what his schedule is. Spring is usually a good time. Liquor distributors will also do it for free in the Spring. Tanner said the Old Port bar meeting is usually in the spring for PPD hot issues, new foot beat officers, summer employees, etc.
- Tony suggested servers visit the Maine.gov website, the liquor licensing tab, for online TIPS training. Servers need to renew it every 3 years.
- Doug mentioned that he is struggling with hiring security. He received a few suggestions from those present, including Production Services of Maine

Sarah adjourned the meeting at 4:10pm

Next meeting: November 21st 3:30pm

Respectfully submitted,
Taffy Eaton, Recorder