

Liquor License Commission Meeting Minutes

Day, Date and Time: Monday, June 9th at 5 pm
Place of Meeting: City Hall Auditorium, 62 Friend St.

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by Derek at 5:02pm
2. Roll Call – Present were, Derek Balaam and John Kirton of the Liquor License Commission.
Also present was Victoria Feger, staff liaison. Absent: Russ Saboo
3. Minutes for Approval – Motion by Derek to accept meeting minutes from April 29, 2025, John Kirton seconded the motion. *The motion passed unanimously.*
4. Public Comment – none of the public present wished to make public comment
5. Hearing for an application for a new license - 31 Main, Inc.

31 Main, Inc. is a new restaurant, DBA NuNaMi Bistro and is moving into the location at 31 Main Street in downtown. They applied for a new Section 12 All Alcohol license, which was presented to the commission members for review and discussion. The applicant, including the owners and their agents, were present for this hearing.

The commission confirmed abutters notices were mailed and a legal ad was placed in the Newburyport Daily News. Neither the applicant nor the commission received any correspondence from any abutters or other interested parties in advance of this hearing.

A few comments from the commission were discussed with the applicants. Derek asked about the applicant's other restaurant, and they indicated they have a restaurant in Exeter, NH and they do operate with a liquor license for that other restaurant.

No questions from the applicant

No other questions from the commission

Derek motioned to approve the application, with the following comment to be included on the LLC certification: *"Outdoor dining is subject to seasonal approval and will require a separate application once a liquor license is granted for the establishment."*

John seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

6. Adjournment and setting of next meeting –

The Liquor License Commission's next meeting has been set for Tuesday, July 1 at 5pm, in the City Hall Auditorium.

Derek motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:18 pm; John seconded the motion to adjourn.
The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Victoria Feger, Executive Assistant to the Mayor
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