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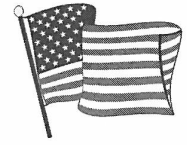
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Economic Development Committee Meeting Tuesday, June 6, 2023

Present: T. Accomando, T. Smith, B. Bieder, C. Brockington, A. Chirico, D. Prioleau, J. Roberts, J. Mondello, L. Popovic

Absent: None:

The meeting began at 7 pm with the pledge of allegiance. Mr. Accomando welcome all in attendance and stated that he was the Chair of the Committee and introduced Mr. Smith as the Co-Chair. There were no residents at this meeting, so Mr. Accomando omitted the reading of the conduct document. Mr. Accomando addressed all representatives at this time, and stated when your establishment is called upon, please state name, position and what's been taking place at that location. There were 11 Renewals and 1 New License to address. There were some last-minute Renewals that the Chair couldn't obtain the PO Reports. Mr. Accomando will follow up and address the reports when he receives them. The Committee then went on to address the Renewals. At this time Mr. Accomando stated that he was omitting Plush 101 due to the PO Reports and that they were still in suspension status. There was a discussion between each of the representatives that were present. At this time the chairman made a motion to accept the Renewals which was made by Mr. Popovic and seconded by Mr. Smith and voted on unanimously.

The Committee then went on to address Plush 101. Mr. Accomando stated that this was the worst PO Report that he's ever come across in all the years Chairing this Committee. The discussion between the owner and the committee became intense. The owner kept making excuses and denying that his place was the problem. And that most of what was going on came from patrons trying to get into his place. Mr. Accomando kept pointing out repeatedly that most of what was taking place was coming from his place. And that Sergeant Major has been updating me on a regular basis on what's been taking place at your establishment. And that your license is still in suspension waiting for a ruling from a judge sometime in June. At this time Mr. Bieder made a motion to table this establishment. And it was seconded by Mr. Popovic. The Committee will address this after the judge rules on this case.

The Committee then went on to address the new license at this time.

Mr. Accomando informed the new owner that this establishment had some problems previously that needed to be addressed. And that they were issued heavy fines by the SLA. And now the owner wants to sell. She said that she works there and was aware of the fines. Mr. Accomando expressed some concerns about her role in this establishment. There was a discussion between committee and her interpreter as she did not speak English. At this time the Chairman made a motion to accept the New License. It was made by Mr. Bieder and seconded Mr. Prioleau. The vote was 4 Yes and 4 No. The motion didn't pass. The applicant was told she can attend the full board meeting for a chance to get a vote in her favor.

There was no Old Business at this time.

New Business: Mr. Smith suggested that ATAP training should include how to use the strips that test for fentanyl and that Bars should be able to hand them out. To many Young adults are killing themselves. Mr. Caruso addressed the Committee and stated that ATAP had held some classes. And attendance was very poor so they dropped the program.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Mr. Bieder and seconded by Mr. Smith.

The meeting ended at 8:27 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by Mr. Thomas Accomando