

BROOKLYN COMMUNITY BOARD 6
PUBLIC SAFETY/ENV PROT/PERMITS/LICENSES COMMITTEE
May 23, 2011

PRESENT:

T. ALEXANDER
J. LODGE
M. SCOTT
L. SONES

P. BLAKE
S. MILLER
M. SHAMES
B. STOLTZ

M. DEPALMA
T. MISKEL
M. SILVERMAN

EXCUSED:

M. KENTON

G. REILLY

GUESTS:

J. VOGEL- REP. FOR STATE SENATOR, HON. VELMANETTE MONTGOMERY
E, NOMEIO
J. ESPOSITO
M. KELLEHER
R. CAHILL, NFBID
J. CROW

K. BROWN
S, FEINGOLD
L. HUNTER RASIC
S. DAVIDSON, NFBID

B. TRETOUT
M. LEGER
K. MOORE
M. FERRARI

*** MINUTES ***

Except with respect to the recommendation concerning 305 Court Street sidewalk café renewal there was a quorum present for all motions made by the committee

Presentation and review of a renewal unenclosed sidewalk café permit application submitted to the Department of Consumer Affairs on behalf of Giannino's Pizza Corp. at 305 Court Street (southeast corner Court/Degraw Streets), to permit 18 tables and 36 seats.

The first agenda item heard was with respect to **305 Court Street** at Court St. and DeGraw St. The owner of the restaurant was present and stated that he was renewing without change as to seating or hours. Neighbors had been notified of renewal and there were no complaints in the file. There were 5 members present. Recommendation to renew was made by Bette Stoltz and seconded by Matt Silverman.

MOTION APPROVED: UNANIMOUSLY (no quorum)

Presentation and review of a new unenclosed sidewalk café permit application submitted to the Department of Consumer Affairs on behalf of TTT Brooklyn Inc. dba Jolie Cantina at 241 Smith Street (northeast corner Smith/Douglass Streets), tp permit 8 tables and 18 seats.

Presentation and review of an on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of TTT Brooklyn Inc. dba Jolie Cantina at 241 Smith Street (northeast corner Smith/Douglass Streets)

241 Smith Street. Applicant was present with respect to an application for a sidewalk café permit and for a beer and wine license. The applicant stated that he had notified the surrounding area. After discussion as to closing time for the café a motion was made by Lou Sones and seconded by James Lodge. The motion was to approve with the proviso that the last seating on Sunday through Thursday be 10 PM and the sidewalk café be closed by 11pm and that Friday, Saturday, and holidays the last seating be 11PM and the sidewalk café be closed by midnight.

VOTE: 9.....YEAS 1.....NAYS 1.....ABSTENTION
MOTION: PASSED

With respect to the issuance of the beer and wine license for 241 Smith Street, a motion was made by Steve Miller and seconded by Matt Silverman to approve the application.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

Continued review of an on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of 604 Pacific Street LLC dba Players at 604 Pacific Street (between Flatbush/4th Avenues).

Continued review of an on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of 604 Pacific Street LLC dba Social EatZ at 604 Pacific Street (between Flatbush/4th Avenues).

There were two license applications before the committee one being for a Pizzeria and Falafel restaurant (beer and wine license) and a Gastro Pub (liquor license). Mr. Vogel from State Senator Montgomery's office expressed the Senator's desire that business owners reach out to the community. Members of the community had discussions hosted by the North Flatbush BID and that meeting resulted in a series of stipulations with one item of disagreement concerning hours of operation of Thursday evenings. A number of community members were heard from. Tom Miskel made a motion seconded by Pauline Blake to approve the applications subject to the stipulations set forth in a memorandum provided by the North Flatbush BID and on further recommendation that closing be at 2AM on Thursday evenings.

MOTION APPROVED: UNANIMOUSLY.

Presentation and review of an on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Salmon East Seven Corp. dba Kevin's at 277 Van Brunt Street (between Visitation Pl./Pioneer Street).

277 Van Brunt Street (Kevin's). Kevin the owner and chef presented the application for a liquor license. There was notification. It is a small establishment with limited hours. Lou Sones lives in the area and commented favorably. A motion to approve the application was made by Steve Miller and seconded by Terry Alexander.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY.

Presentation and review of a renewal unenclosed sidewalk café permit application submitted to the Department of Consumer Affairs on behalf of Bidochons Corp at 263 Smith Street (northeast corner Smith/Degraw Streets), to permit 12 tables and 24 seats.

263 Smith Street. The representative for the operator was present. Notice was given. There were no complaints. There was formerly a sidewalk café at the location. A motion was made by Steve Miller and seconded by Tom Miskel to approve the application on condition that the last seating be 10 PM Sunday through Thursday with the sidewalk café to be closed by 11 PM and on Friday, Saturday and holidays that last seating be at 11 PM and the sidewalk café be closed at 12 midnight. The representative was directed to tell the operator to appear in person with respect to renewals.

Presentation and review of an on-premises liquor license application submitted to the State Liquor Authority on behalf of Menzini Restaurant Corp. at 492 5th Avenue (between 11th /12th Streets).

492 5th Avenue, Menzini did not appear and the committee asked that the Department of Consumer Affairs defer approval and that this matter be re-calendared for our next meeting.

Under new business, the fact that a liquor license had been applied for at the location **602 Pacific Street** on April 12, 2011 and it had already been granted prior to our meeting without our having an opportunity to review. A number of residents were at the meeting to complain that the bar was already acting in non-community friendly manner. We ask that the district office look into whether the license may be revoked due to the change in use group for the space from Doctor's office to a bar. The committee further asks the district office to communicate with the SLA to express our profound concern that the process is being manipulated by expeditors to exclude community participation and to seek an explanation as to how this license was granted in such an expedited manner.

A motion was made by Lou Sones and seconded by Pauline Blake that in the absence of a recommendation received by the SLA from the community board that the SLA deem the position of the community board to be an objection to the issuance of a license. Silence is to be deemed disapproval in each instance.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY.

Also under new business, Steve Miller asked that there be an opportunity to place on the agenda a discussion of standardized requests with respect to hours of operation. It was the consensus of the committee that such a discussion was warranted.

A motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting was made by Terry Alexander and seconded by Tom Miskel.

MOTION PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

A motion to adjourn as duly made and seconded and the meeting was adjourned.
Minutes submitted by Mark Shames.