

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
WOBURN LICENSE COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 29, 2016 – 5:30 P.M.
COMMITTEE ROOM
WOBURN CITY HALL**

Present: Chairman Paul Medeiros and Member David Gilgun.

Absent: Member Thomas Skeffington.

Reading of minutes of previous meeting. Motion made and 2nd to lay the matter on the table until the next regular meeting of the License Commission, 2 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent (Skeffington absent).

On the remand of the matter of Natasha Miller v. Woburn License Commission, Middlesex Superior Court Civil No. 1681-CV-02578. Chair Medeiros stated that the matter has been remanded from the Superior Court to the License Commission for further review and action, and that the Building Commissioner determined that the use is allowed under the provisions of the Woburn Zoning Ordinances as a personal service establishment. City Solicitor Ellen Callahan Doucette stated that an appeal was filed in the Superior Court as the petition was denied with our any stated reasons, that the parties agreed to a remand of the matter to the License Commission, that the Building Commissioner determined that the use is allowed under 1985 Woburn Zoning Ordinances, as amended, Section 5.1.25 as a personal service establishment, that once the fortune teller's license issues from the License Commission the petitioner will have to assure the Building Commissioner that there are no life or safety issues at the location relating mostly to egress and the like, and that she asks the License Commission to reconsider the denial of the fortune teller's license. A communication dated September 22, 2016 was received from Building Commissioner Thomas C. Quinn, Jr. as follows:

Re: 390 Main Street – Natasha Miller Fortune Teller License

With regard to the above referenced, I have met with Ms. Miller to review her business and have approved for Zoning compliance pursuant to the Woburn Zoning Code Section 51. Table of Use Regulations line 25 the use would be categorized as a personal service establishment which is allowed by right in the Business Downtown District.

Additionally if the applicant receives a license from your commission, an occupancy permit will issue provided all applicable life and safety issues have been satisfied.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me.

Motion made and 2nd that the communication be received and made part of the record, 2 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent (Skeffington absent). Attorney Alfred P. Farese, Jr., Esquire, 366 Broadway,

Everett, Massachusetts 02149 stated that the petitioner has a twenty year license from the town of Burlington and has no criminal record, that the zoning issues have been addressed, and that he requests that the fortune teller's license be issued. Motion made and 2nd that the FORTUNE TELLER'S LICENSE be GRANTED, 2 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent (Skeffington absent).

On the amendments to restaurant, clubs and function halls rules and regulations. Chair Medeiros stated that the rules should have been adopted with an effective date of January 1, 2017, and that the matter is before the License Commission to clarify this issue. Motion made and 2nd that the Rules and Regulations Club and Function Halls Associated with Clubs and the Rules and Regulations Restaurants and Function Rooms set for the in the minutes of the License Commission meeting held on September 15, 2016 are adopted effective January 1, 2017, 2 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent (Skeffington absent).

Motion made and second to adjourn, 2 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 absent (Skeffington absent).
Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

William C. Campbell
Clerk of Committees, Pro Tem