Woburn License Commission
Regular Meeting
Committee Room
Thursday, September 18, 2025

Members present: Chairman Thomas Skeffington and Commissioner William McGrath. Absent: Commissioner David Gilgun

Also present: Woburn Police Capt. John Murphy, liaison to the License Commission

Chairman Skeffington convened the meeting of the License Commission at 5:30 p.m.

1. **Kaapi & Co., 204 West Cummings Park, application for Common Victualer's license:** No one was present to represent the applicant. Motion made by Commissioner McGrath and seconded by Chairman Skeffington to table the matter; approved, 2-0-1.

2. **NuPath, 147 New Boston Street, applications for a special 1-day liquor license and a 1-day entertainment license for a fundraiser/walk from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 4, 2025:** Representing the applicant was Judith Miskell, Executive Administrative Assistant, NuPath, Inc., 147 New Boston St., Woburn, MA. Commissioner McGrath asked if there is a rain date for the event. Ms. Miskell said there is no rain date. She said they have been lucky with the weather in the past. Chairman Skeffington said NuPath always does an excellent job with this event. Capt. Murphy said the police department has no issues with this event as long as it is not at night. Chairman Skeffington said there was a noise complain a couple of years ago but it did not emanate from the NuPath event. Chairman Skeffington asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the commission in regard to the application. There were no respondents. Motion made by Commissioner McGrath and seconded by Chairman Skeffington to grant the special 1-day liquor and entertainment licenses; approved, 2-0-1.

3. **Wild Fox Restaurant Group, 482 Main Street, application for a special 1-day liquor license for a beer garden during Porchfest at 466 Main Street, from 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday, October 11, 2025:** Representing the applicant was Adam Dziki, 482 Main St., Woburn, MA. Chairman Skeffington asked if an entertainment license is required for this event. Mr. Dziki said the restaurant does have an entertainment license. Capt. Murphy said Porchfest is usually well-attended and the people who attend are well-behaved. Motion made by Commissioner McGrath and seconded by Chairman Skeffington to grant the special 1-day liquor license and waive the fee; approved, 2-0-1.

4. **Men's Night Baseball League, application for a special 1-day liquor license for a Home Run Derby fundraiser at Leland Park, from 12-7 p.m. on Saturday, October 11, 2025:** Representing the applicant was Joshua Clark, 10 Sheila Avenue, Woburn, MA. Mr. Clark said this is the sixth time this event has been held. He said the proceeds will go toward two families who had members involved in the league. He said last year's event was a big success. He said the alcohol will be served during the exact same hours it was

at last year's event. He said the event is being moved from Ferullo Field to Leland Park because there is more parking at Leland Park. He said the derby itself will be held from 1:30-4:30 p.m. He said there will be other events after the home run derby. Chairman Skeffington asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the commission in regard to the application. There were no respondents. Motion made by Commissioner McGrath and seconded by Chairman Skeffington to grant the special 1-day liquor license and waive the fee; approved, 2-0-1.

5. **Oriental Restaurant, 351 Main Street, application for transfer of Common Victualer's license:** Representing the applicant were Kai Dong Situ, Cai Mei Xu and a person who identified herself as "Jenny." Jenny said there are new owners taking over the restaurant. Chairman Skeffington advised the contingent from the Oriental Restaurant to not park their vehicles in front of the restaurant all day long. He said there is a 2-hour parking limit. He said the restaurant's neighbors also need to make money. He said there is no double parking allowed. Capt. Murphy said the biggest complaints the police department gets about downtown involve parking. He said nine out of 10 times the violators are the ones who are running the businesses. Motion made by Commissioner McGrath and seconded by Chairman Skeffington to grant the transfer of the Common Victualer's license; approved, 2-0-1.

6. **Motion made by Commissioner McGrath and seconded by Chairman Skeffington** to take from the table an application or a new Common Victualer's license from Kaapi & Co., 204 West Cummings Park; approved, 2-0-1. Representing the applicant was Tejesvi Chekuri. Commissioner McGrath asked where the business is located. Mr. Chekuri said the location is the former Starbucks in Cummings Park. Commissioner McGrath said the applicant is requesting hours from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. and asked how many hours Mr. Chekuri will be on-site. Mr. Chekuri said he will be there from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Commissioner McGrath asked if someone else will close. Mr. Chekuri answered affirmatively. Motion made by Commissioner McGrath and seconded by Chairman Skeffington to grant the Common Victualer's license; approved, 2-0-1.

7. **Approval of meeting minutes of August 21, 2025:** Motion made by Commissioner McGrath and seconded by Chairman Skeffington to approve the minutes of the meeting of August 21, 2025; approved, 2-0-1.

8. **Any other matter that may be legally before the commission:** Chairman Skeffington said the Commission is in receipt of an email from Sue Howland, Client Engagement Manager, 200 West Cummings Park, which he read as follows: "We look forward to the Cummings client event on September 18 at TradeCenter 128. Now that the sun is setting earlier, we realized we should move up the start time by 30 minutes. Our permit is for 4:30-7:30 p.m., but we hoped to run the event from 4-6 p.m. Is that permissible? Please let me know if there is a formal way I should provide notification to the committee. Thank you very much." Chairman Skeffington said he does not have a problem with the request for change of hours. Motion made by Commissioner McGrath and seconded by Chairman Skeffington to approve the request for the change of hours; approved, 2-0-1.

Chairman Skeffington issued a reminder that the commission's next meeting will be held in City Council Chambers.

9. **Motion made by Commissioner McGrath and seconded by Chairman Skeffington to adjourn; approved, 2-0-1.** Chairman Skeffington adjourned the meeting at 5:47 p.m.

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