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**Monday, December 9, 2019, 5:45 p.m.  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Mahogany Meeting Room  
MEETING MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hoyt at 6:00 p.m. Present were Vice Chairman Bush, Members Blanchard, Duval, and Nowak. Town Administrator Green was also in attendance.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**License Renewal Approval, All Alcohol Establishment:** Zing Financial, LLC dba Adams Ale House, 8-10 East Hoosac St., Adams, MA, tabled from December 4, 2019 Meeting. A brief review took place to advise that the item had been tabled due to the Liquor Liability and Workman's Compensation Insurance documents not being in hand at the Town of Adams. It was noted that there is an option to conditionally approve the renewal upon completion of all requirements. ***Motion made by Member Duval to take off the table the License Renewal Approval for the All Alcohol Establishment Zing Financial, LLC dba Adams Ale House, 8 – 10 East Hoosac Street, Adams, MA, second by Vice Chairman Bush. Vote: unanimous.***

Discussion took place regarding whether the license should be renewed to help the property owner sell it or whether it expires and may be then applied for cleanly by a party when ready. Pocket license parameters were reviewed and it was noted that the Town of Adams is keeping better tabs on it as encouraged by the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission. It was noted that Mr. Girard of Zing Financial, LLC dba Adams Ale House had not made any efforts to keep in touch with the Board regarding this license but when he came before the Board he indicated he had put money into the building, yet had not contact with the Town. Since that show cause hearing it was noted that he had spoken to the Town Administrator twice but not about that particular property. It was further explained that Mr. Girard expressed a desire to lease the property and get rent. He noted he had put a roof on the building but it was clarified that he told the prior tenants they had to put the roof on the building. It was put forth that the Board needs clear parameters for pocket licenses in order to treat everyone the same. It was noted this will be addressed in the new year. In the past it was explained that Zing Financial, LLC dba Adams Ale House was reluctantly allowed to hold the pocket license because this particular license is a special legislation license and must be only for that building location. It was emphasized that the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission frowns on Local Licensing Authorities issuing pocket licenses. It was pointed out that Mr. Girard has not been making a good effort with the Town, and that he wants to have a tenant but expressed that his other business ventures were taking precedence. The policy on businesses closing and pocket licenses in the License Policy and Regulations was read to Board Members. It was pointed out that there should be an amount of time listed on the policy that an establishment can hold a pocket license. Wording on this will be worked out by the Licensing Sub-Committee in 2020. No action was taken on the Zing Financial, LLC dba Adams Ale House All Alcohol License renewal, which will expire December 31, 2019.

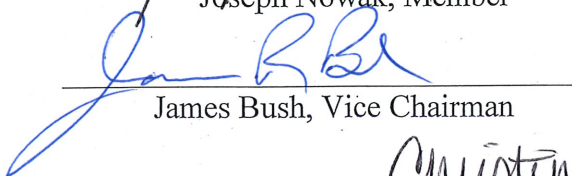
**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GOOD OF THE ORDER:** There were no announcements made.

**ADJOURNMENT:** *Motion made by Member Duval to adjourn the meeting, second by Vice Chairman Bush. Vote: Unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.*

Respectfully Submitted by Deborah J. Dunlap,  
Recording Secretary

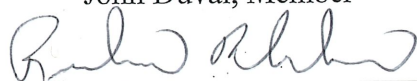


Joseph Nowak, Member

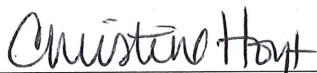


James Bush, Vice Chairman

John Duval, Member



Richard Blanchard, Member



Christine Hoyt, Chairman