

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Police Station Community Room
AGENDA
May 20, 2017
8:00 AM

CITIZEN'S CONCERNS

DISCUSSION AND DECISION

1. Review Timeline and Process for FY17 Town Administrator Evaluation
2. Development of FY18 Goals
3. Vote to Amend the Alcohol License Policy Regarding the Sale of Alcohol on Legal Holidays

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Memo explaining Changes	5/17/2017	Cover Memo
Recommendation from Lt. Luazon	5/17/2017	Cover Memo
ABCC 2017 Holiday Schedule	5/17/2017	Cover Memo

TO: Jon Freedman, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen

FROM: Donna Donovan, Executive Assistant

DATE: May 17, 2017

RE: Sale of Alcohol on Legal Holidays

An off premise alcohol license holder reached out to us recently stating that the ABCC 2017 holiday calendar allows for the sale of alcohol after 12:00 p.m. on Memorial day. Memorial Day has been a prohibited holiday in prior years. Our licenses state that the sale of alcohol is not allowed on Memorial Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. In August, 2016 there was a change in state law (MGL c. 138 s. 33(a) which permits sale of alcohol beginning at 12 noon on Memorial Day. The ABCC publishes an annual "holiday calendar" which specifies the dates and times for sale and service of alcohol consistent with state law (see link below). It has been recommended by Town Counsel and by Natick Police that the Board modify the current policy to state that that license holders must observe the ABCC holiday calendar.

If the Board approves this, the new policy can go into effect immediately, allowing liquor stores to open at noon on Memorial Day. The regulation will also be incorporated into the new policy which Lt. Lauzon has been working on. Also if approved, we will notify the license holders of the new regulation and provide them with the 2017 holiday calendar. Going forward, renewal licenses will not stipulate any holiday restrictions.

Suggested motion:

Motion to adopt the ABCC calendar of legal holidays and dates of observation which is provided annually and identifies holiday days and time in which service and sale of alcohol is permitted.

<http://www.mass.gov/abcc/pdf/2017holidaycalendar.pdf>

Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

Re: I did it!!!

1 message

Brian Lauzon <lauzon@natickpolice.com>
To: Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

Wed, May 17, 2017 at 11:36 AM

Donna,

We would recommend approval as to be consistent with ABCC approvals for Memorial Day. Please remind the petitioners that no sales may occur before Noon time on Memorial Day, 5/29/2017.

Respectfully,

Lt. Brian G. Lauzon

On Wed, May 17, 2017 at 10:39 AM, Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org> wrote:

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CALENDAR YEAR 2017 LEGAL HOLIDAYS AND DATES OF OBSERVANCE

1. ALL LICENSEES **MAY** sell or deliver alcoholic beverages on the following holidays:

New Year's Day	Sunday, January 1
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Monday, January 16
Presidents' Day	Monday, February 20
Evacuation Day	Friday, March 17
Patriots' Day	Monday, April 17
Bunker Hill Day	Saturday, June 17
Independence Day	Tuesday, July 4
Labor Day	Monday, September 4
Columbus Day	Monday, October 9
Veterans' Day	Saturday, November 11

2. OFF-PREMISES LICENSEES (M.G.L. c. 138, §15) **MAY** remain open until 11:30 p.m. the day **BEFORE** all holidays.

3. OFF-PREMISES LICENSEE (M.G.L. c. 138, §15) **MAY NOT** sell or deliver alcoholic beverages on the following holidays:

Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, November 23
Christmas Day	Monday, December 25

4. OFF-PREMISES LICENSEES (M.G.L. c. 138, §15) **MAY NOT** sell alcoholic beverages until 12:00 noon on the following holiday:

Memorial Day	Monday, May 29
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5. ON-PREMISES LICENSEES (M.G.L. c. 138, §12) **MAY NOT** sell alcoholic beverages until 12:00 noon* on the following holidays:

Memorial Day	Monday, May 29
Christmas Day	Monday, December 25

6. MANUFACTURERS* and WHOLESALERS **MAY NOT** sell or deliver alcoholic beverages on the following holidays:

Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, November 23
Christmas Day	Monday, December 25

*Except to §14 licensees (Wholesalers only)

7. MANUFACTURERS* and WHOLESALERS **MAY NOT** sell or deliver alcoholic beverages until 12:00 noon on the following holiday:

Memorial Day	Monday, May 29
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(Issued date October 18, 2016)