Regional Municipality of Waterloo

Licensing and Retail Committee Hearing Committee

Minutes

Wednesday, September 17, 2014

5:49 p.m.

Regional Council Chamber

150 Frederick Street, Kitchener, Ontario

Present were: Chair G. Lorentz, L. Armstrong, J. Mitchell, K. Seiling, and J. Wideman

Members absent: D. Craig

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest Under The Municipal Conflict of Interest Act

None declared.

Licensing Hearing Opening Address – Chair G. Lorentz

Chair G. Lorentz provided opening remarks regarding the purpose of the hearing and the general manner in which the taxi hearing would be conducted.

Motion to go into Closed Session

Moved by L. Armstrong

Seconded by J. Mitchell

That a closed meeting of the Licensing and Retail Committee be held on September 17, 2014 in Regional Council Chambers in accordance with Rule 26 of the Licensing and Retail Committee for the Regional Municipality of Waterloo – Rules of Procedure and in accordance with Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, for the purposes of considering the following subject matters:
a) Personal matters about an identifiable individual;
b) A matter in respect of which committee may hold a closed meeting under another Act.

Carried

Motion to Reconvene into Open Session

Moved by J. Wideman
Seconded by J. Mitchell

That the meeting reconvene into open session.

Carried

Licensing Hearing – Committee Decisions

Chair G. Lorentz stated that the Committee had made a decision in the regards to Momir Lazarevic – United Taxi, Owner #4742. He explained that the Committee had based its decision on the fact that the Crown had consented to dismiss the case against M. Lazarevic, that M. Lazarevic had fulfilled the terms of his peace bond, and that both M. Lazarevic and Regional staff had agreed with the terms of the decision.

Tim Brubacher, Committee Clerk, read the Committee’s decision:

That The Regional Municipality of Waterloo direct staff to grant a Taxi-Cab Driver License to Momir Lazarevic subject to the following special conditions:

1) That Momir Lazarevic, before a Taxi-Cab Driver License is issued, attend sexual assault awareness/prevention training through a program that is satisfactory to the Manager, Licensing and Enforcement Services and that he provide proof of attendance thereof to the Manager, Licensing and Enforcement Services;
2) That Momir Lazarevic be on probation for a period of 24 months commencing on the date of issuance of the Taxi-Cab Driver Licence;
3) That Momir Lazarevic, as terms of the probation:
   a. keep the peace and be of good behaviour;
   b. immediately report any and all criminal investigations, charges and convictions involving himself to the Manager, Licensing and Enforcement Services;
   c. provide a Vulnerable Sector Screen to the Manager, Licensing and Enforcement Services every 6 months;
   d. not provide any taxi-cab service for a “School Special”; and
e. not operate a taxi-cab unless it is equipped with an operating Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) system that records the interior of the taxi-cab and that he allow any municipal law enforcement officer of The Regional Municipality of Waterloo to inspect and view the required Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) upon request;

4) Should any conditions herein be breached, or Momir Lazarevic be the subject of any criminal investigations, charges or convictions, that Momir Lazarevic’s Taxi-cab Driver Licence be immediately suspended and returned to the Regional Clerk pending a hearing of the Licensing and Retail Committee.

Adjourn

Moved by K. Seiling
Seconded by L. Armstrong

That the meeting adjourn at 6:24 p.m.

Carried

Committee Chair, G. Lorentz

Committee Clerk, T. Brubacher