



Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission
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DECISION

JONES & DEWS WX RESTAURANT GROUP LLC D/B/A FIREHOUSE CAFÉ
47 PARK STREET
ADAMS, MA 01220
LICENSE#: 06659-RS-0010
VIOLATION DATE: 6/22/2022
HEARD: 10/18/2022

Jones & Dews WX Restaurant Group LLC d/b/a Firehouse Café ("Licensee") holds an alcohol license issued pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138, § 12. The Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission ("ABCC" or "Commission") held a remote hearing via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, regarding an alleged violation of 204 CMR 2.05 (2) Permitting an illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: M.G.L. Ch. 138, § 34 Sale or Delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one years of age. Prior to the commencement of the hearing, the Licensee stipulated to the facts alleged in Investigator Keefe's Report.

The following documents are in evidence:

1. Investigator Keefe's Minimum Purchase Age Compliance Check Field Report;
2. ABCC Licensing Authority Certification, New License Approved, 3/23/2022;
3. Licensee's Stipulation of Facts.

There is one (1) audio recording of this hearing.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On Wednesday, June 22, 2022, at approximately 6:30 p.m., Investigator Keefe ("Investigator"), inspected the business operation of Jones & Dews WX Restaurant Group LLC d/b/a Firehouse Café.
2. An underage operative, working under the supervision of the Investigator, was served an alcoholic beverage, one Steel Rail Ale. The underage operative was not asked for identification.

3. Warren Dews Jr., co-owner and Manager of Record, appeared at the Commission hearing and testified the Licensee's policy is to request identification from all patrons. He stated both the waitstaff and bartenders check identification as a way of being doubly careful.

CONCLUSION

Based on the evidence, the Commission finds the Licensee violated 204 CMR 2.05 (2) Permitting an illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: M.G.L. Ch. 138, § 34 Sale or Delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one years of age. Therefore, the Commission issues a **WARNING**.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION

Crystal Matthews, Commissioner



Deborah A. Baglio, Commissioner



I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I have reviewed the hearing record and concur with the above decision.

Jean M. Lorizio, Chairman



Dated: November 3, 2022

You have the right to appeal this decision to the Superior Courts under the provisions of Chapter 30A of the Massachusetts General Laws within thirty (30) days of receipt of this decision.

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