

MINUTES

The Garrett County Board of License Commissioners/Liquor Control Board held their regular meeting on September 5, 2002 at 9:00 AM. Present for the meeting were Commissioners Bea Crosco and Mike Fratz; Chairperson Thomas Gearhart; Administrator to the Board, F. Gary Mullich and Deborah Owston, Administrative Assistant.

Chairperson Gearhart called the meeting to order. A motion was made by Chairperson Gearhart to approve the August 1, 2002 minutes as corrected by replacing the "selling of growlers" to state "refillable containers that are sealed by the micro-brewery at the time of each refill" and seconded by Commissioner Crosco with all in favor. The Board signed mileage sheets.

There was general discussion before the scheduled hearings in which Gary Mullich asked the Board if they had inspected the storage premise area for The Boardwalk. Commissioner Fratz had stopped there before the bar was open and did notice the storage room on the lower level of the Point View Inn. Commissioner Crosco stated that she had looked at both storage rooms and she agrees that the bar area does not have an ample storage area. She does feel they need the extra storage room as long as it is stated as part of the premise. Chairperson Gearhart feels the extra storage room under the Point View Inn is acceptable as part of the licensed premise for The Boardwalk. Gary mentioned that Tom Hickey had picked up a transfer license application for Bud's Package store. Also, Harry Kapuria had picked up a transfer license application for the Grantsville Holiday Inn. The Board received a letter from the Comptroller's Office which was sent to Darrin Green of Deep Creek Brewing Company stating that "under the current Micro-Brewery license #M7-00763, you are permitted to sell growlers and kegs of any size at the brewery / restaurant. However, under the aforementioned license, you are not permitted to sell bottled beer which was manufactured by your micro-brewery at your brewery / restaurant." It was mentioned that the 2003 Spring MALA Conference would be held in Ocean City and that the 2003 Fall MALA Conference is tentatively scheduled for Garrett County at the Wisp Resort.

A hearing was held at 9:30 AM for a Class "D" Beer, Wine & Liquor On-Sale License for Skeweris Tavern. Applicant, Linda Skeweris, was present for the hearing in addition to her daughter, Tina Skeweris. Mrs. Skeweris said they would be reopening the establishment primarily for the bar in addition to a food menu. The intended hours of operation are Monday-Thursday 10-10 and Friday & Saturday 10-2. Friday night they have a wing night special. It was mentioned that the Maryland Sales & Use Tax Number would need to be changed from Gary Skeweris and Isadore Skeweris to Gary & Linda Skeweris who are the licensees for the establishment. Debbe also informed the Board that the Criminal Background forms were received the day before on September 4, 2002 and the results could be several weeks. Chairperson Gearhart made a motion the license be approved contingent upon all administrative requests being made and seconded by Commissioner Crosco and unanimously approved.

A hearing was held at 9:45 AM for a Special 2-Day Class "C" BWL License for the Oakland Volunteer Fire Department. Applicant, Bryan 'Fred' Callis, was present for the hearing. Mr. Callis said the Fire Department would be using the special license during the Autumn Glory Festival on Thursday, October 10, 2002 at the fire hall for the Fireman's Parade. Mr. Callis explained that a parameter around the fire hall would be designated for the premise including the area directly in front of the fire hall, inside the fire hall and the side parking lot of the fire hall. In addition, the streets would be blocked off at the corner of Sheetz up to the corner of the M&T Bank until after the parade is over around midnight. Mr. Callis said there would be men monitoring the entire area around the fire hall. Commissioner Crosco asked Mr. Callis if this if one of the bigger fundraisers for the fire department and Mr. Callis responded that it was the biggest fundraiser for the fire department. Commissioner Crosco made a motion the license be approved and seconded by Chairperson Fratz and unanimously approved. After appropriate fees were paid, the license was issued.

After the hearings, the next meeting day was set for October 3, 2002. There being no further business, Chairperson Gearhart motioned the meeting be adjourned, and seconded by Commissioner Fratz.

Thomas A. Gearhart
Chairperson

October 3, 2002
Date