

MINUTES

The Garrett County Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board held their regular meeting on June 2, 2005 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, Coordinator of Support Services.

Chairperson Gearhart called the meeting to order. A motion was made by Commissioner Fratz to approve the May 5, 2005 meeting minutes and seconded by Commissioner Crosco and unanimously approved. The Board signed mileage sheets.

Commissioner Fratz made a motion to approve the travel expense report for Commissioner Crosco, and the motion was seconded by Chairperson Gearhart and approved. Chairperson Gearhart made a motion to approve the travel expense reports for Commissioner Fratz, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Crosco and approved. Commissioner Crosco made a motion to approve the travel expense reports for Chairperson Gearhart and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Fratz and approved.

Commissioner Crosco made a motion to approve the alcoholic beverage license renewals for the 2005-2006 license year as submitted and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved.

There was general discussion prior to the hearings where the Board was informed of the results of Compliance Checks conducted by the Maryland State Police. The Silver Tree Inn reopened on May 27, 2005. Santa Fé Grill reopened on May 31, 2005 upon renovation completion. The Board discussed licensee changes for Midway Discount Beverages that were initiated during the renewal application process. The Board discussed the renewal application for Pizzeria Uno's. The renewal application reflected the addition of Michael "Jim" Delligatti and Michael F. Delligatti. The applicants were informed that in addition to completing a license application, background checks would need to be conducted. This process needs to be completed before the new license year begins on July 1, 2005. Debbe Owston informed the Board that Patty Sines picked up a license application for the transfer of Ken's Tavern. She currently is in the process of purchasing the property from Mr. Ken Friend.

A hearing was held at 9:30 AM for the issuance of a Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor On-Sale License and Draft Beer License to be located at 12678 Garrett Highway for Bout Thyme, LLC operating as The Gas Lite Restaurant & Lounge. Applicants for the licenses are Willard Flockhart and Sandra Flockhart who was present for the hearing. Ms. Flockhart informed the Board that the interior was completely redesigned and reflects an early 1900's décor. They intend to be open seven days a week and will be serving breakfast, lunch and dinner from 7:00 AM till 10:00 PM. The bar will be open until 12:00 AM as needed. The approved seating is for eighty-seven seats, including the bar area. Chairperson Gearhart questioned as to whether any members of their staff are trained in an alcohol awareness course and Ms. Flockhart stated that both applicants were scheduled for the next class on June 22, 2005 in Cumberland. Commissioner Fratz made a motion to approve the licenses pending all administrative requests including the Health Permit and favorable background results and the motion was second by Commissioner Crosco and unanimously approved.

A discussion session was held a 9:45 AM with Drew Strout and Hank Thiess of the Wisp Resort. The catering contract for the Highland Festival was discussed as well as the licensed premise areas for the Wisp Resort complex.

A discussion session was held at 10:00 AM with Sherry Gosnell of Perkins Restaurant. The renewal application for Perkins Restaurant indicated a membership percentage interest change resulting in Ms. Gosnell being the only licensee. The Board approved the license change and the license was reissued into Ms. Gosnell's name upon the completed signed license application and CJIS conducting the background check on the applicant.

There was general discussion afterwards where Debbe informed the Board of the upcoming meeting. The license for Lucas Garage will be transferred to Kitzmiller Station.

Also, she mentioned that Peggy Price of Price Distributors called in reference to the license for The Avilton Inn. It appeared that someone wanted to place an order under the license, which was cancelled per Mr. James Robison in May at the license renewal.

After the general discussion, the next meeting day was set for July 7, 2005. There being no further business, Commissioner Fratz motioned the meeting be adjourned, and seconded by Chairperson Gearhart.

Thomas A. Gearhart
Chairperson

July 7, 2005
Date