

## MINUTES

The Garrett County Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board held their regular meeting on September 1, 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 Crosco to approve the August 4, 2005 meeting minutes and seconded by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved. The Board signed mileage sheets.

There was general discussion prior to the hearing in which Debbe Owston told the Board that Tillerman's Pub is closed and a letter will be sent requesting the licenses be returned. The Board discussed Milton Bertholdt's response to the operational status of Hillside Inn. Mr. Bertholdt said that he would like to be open around deer season. Chairperson Gearhart made a motion that the Board send a letter to Mr. Bertholdt stating a time limit of 45 days to complete the renewal process including submitting the non-refundable license fee of \$150, meeting all Health Department requirements and being open to the public as a retail establishment, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved.

A hearing was held at 9:30 AM for the issuance of a Special Class "C" 2-Day BWL License to be used on September 17, 2005 at the Saint Peter's Parish Hall by the Knights of Columbus #1771. Applicant, John Toston was present for the hearing. Mr. Toston explained to the Board that they would be having a Beef & Shrimp Bash from 6:00 PM till 10:00 PM. The ticket cost for the event is \$20 and includes the buffet and draft beer. Also, they will have music and dancing at the event. Commissioner Crosco made a motion to approve the license and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved. After the appropriate license fees were paid, the license was issued.

After the hearings the Board discussed several issues, including Fred Herath's TIPS program and his request for a letter of support. Jeanette Bittinger, licensee for Pawn Run Tavern passed away on August 23, 2005. Helen Cavalier is the administrator for the estate and has requested a Certificate of Permission for the continuance of the license. They plan on possibly selling the business. A letter was received on August 29, 2005 from Cornish Manor concerning their new storage building. Commissioner Fratz made a motion to approve Cornish Manor's request dated August 17, 2005, as written, to include the new storage building as part of their licensed premise and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Crosco and unanimously approved. Gary Mullich discussed with the Board an altercation that occurred in the parking lot of Black Bear Tavern on August 12, 2005.

After the general discussion, the next meeting day was set for October 6, 2005. There being no further business, Commissioner Fratz motioned the meeting be adjourned, and seconded by Commissioner Crosco.

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Thomas A. Gearhart  
Chairperson

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October 6, 2005  
Date