

## MINUTES

The Garrett County Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board held their regular meeting in the Commissioner's Public Meeting Room on July 7, 2011 at 9:00 AM. Present for the meeting was Chairperson Thomas Gearhart, Commissioner Bea Crosco, Administrator to the Board Deborah R. Owston and Administrative Assistant, Amy Baker.

Chairperson Gearhart called the meeting to order at 9:15 AM.

The June 6, 2011 meeting minutes were reviewed and accepted with amendments. The motion was made by Chairperson Gearhart to accept the minutes as amended. Commissioner Crosco made the motion unanimous.

Prior to the hearings, a general discussion was held. Ms. Owston reported that she received a letter from Mr. & Mrs. Yommer who were not able to meet with the Board on June 2, 2011 regarding licensing issues for Ledo's. Ms. Owston reported that the license was issued on July 1<sup>st</sup> at 4:30 PM after being released by Gloria Johnson from the Comptroller's Office. Ms. Owston reported that Longstretch Market was officially not licensed. Ron O'Brien of the Deer Park VFD reported to Ms. Owston that they will not be renewing their multi-event license. Yough Mt. Resort did not pick up their license either. Chairperson Gearhart and Commissioner Crosco reported that the Yough Mt. Resort needs to pick up their license by July 15<sup>th</sup> or the license will be null and void.

A hearing was held at 9:30 AM for the issuance of a Wine Festival License to be used on September 10, 2011 at the Garrett County Fairgrounds in McHenry, Maryland. The Wisp Resort will be the license holder with the applicants being Karen Myers, Stephen Richards and Gary Daum. Paula Yudelevit was in attendance to represent the Wisp Resort and the Deep Creek Art & Wine Festival Committee. Ms. Yudelevit reported that a van will be available for designated driver services. Ms. Yudelevit reported that they plan to use the upper gate. Ms. Yudelevit also reported that several huts will be used. There are quite a few more sponsors of the event and several more food vendors will be added. Ms. Yudelevit said the cost for those participating in the tastings will be \$25 for adults (21yrs and older) with unlimited .1/2 oz pours. Ms. Yudelevit said that a premium wine ticketing is also available. There will also be \$5 entry tickets available for those underage and those not wishing to consume. Ms. Yudelevit reported that the guest pourers have received a "mini TIPS training". Ms. Yudelevit also reported that the Maryland State Police will be on site and administering free breathalyzers. Ms. Owston asked how many of the guest pourers would attend the training. Ms. Yudelevit reported that whomever does not attend the training will receive a "cheat sheet" of tips for guest pourers. Ms. Owston reported that she has a packet of supplies for the servers to use. Ms. Owston asked the hours of operation. Ms. Yudelevit reported that the hours would be Noon – 6:00 PM with the wine store open until 7:00 PM. Ms. Yudelevit reported that this event will benefit the American Red Cross in this area. A motion to approve the Wine Festival License as applied for by The Wisp Resort to be used on September 10, 2011 at the Garrett County Fair Grounds

was made by Commissioner Crosco and made unanimous by Chairperson Gearhart. All fees were paid and the license issued.

A license hearing was held at 9:55 AM for a Special Class "C" 2-day BWL license for Mayor & Town Council of Oakland. Present for the hearing was applicant, Peggy Jamison along with William Nemith and Asa McCain. The license is to be used at the Oakland 1884 B&O Train Station at 117 East Liberty Street in Oakland, MD on September 23, 2011 during the Rail Fest event. Mr. McCain reported that he is chairperson of the committee for the B&O Train Station Rail Fest. Mr. McCain reported that the event will be held from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM. Mr. McCain reported that they will be affiliated with the Roundhouse Museum in Baltimore, MD. Mr. McCain reported that Get 'N Go will be providing catering and the Lions Club who are TIPS trained will be serving alcohol. Mr. McCain reported that they will be serving alcohol on September 23, 2011 only. They will not allow any underage persons at the event and the event is by invitation only. Ms. Owston questioned the serving area for the alcoholic beverages. Mr. McCain said the alcohol will be housed in the waiting area of the train station. Ms. Owston reported that licensees cannot receive any donated alcohol for the event from retailers or individuals. Ms. Owston told them that they need an invoice for all alcohol that is being served / sold there on the temporary licensed premise. Mr. McCain asked if they would be allowed to give away alcohol or sell beer at this event. Ms. Owston replied that would be allowed since the event is not open to the public. Ms. Owston asked if there would be servers for the alcohol. Mr. McCain reported that they would have servers from the Lions Club. Ms. Owston reminded Ms. Jamison that the retailers must invoice the Special Class "C" licensee for all alcohol. A motion to approve the Special Class "C" 2-day BWL license was made by Commissioner Crosco and made unanimous by Chairperson Gearhart. All fees were paid and the license issued.

After the hearings were completed, a general discussion was held. Ms. Owston reported that she received a complaint regarding illegal gambling at The Local. The complaint was addressed by the States Attorney's Office. The Wisp / Lodestone Golf Club has an event scheduled for July 14<sup>th</sup> and they will most likely use the Wisp's license. The Cornish Manor had their license transferred on June 29, 2011. Dutch's at Silver Tree had their license issued on June 17, 2011 for the purpose of ordering & private party. A temporary U & O was given for the Harbor Bar July 1<sup>st</sup>. Sugar Shack Tavern is now listed for sale with Long & Foster Realty. Richard Stuck of he Oakland Exxon requested that the Board place his license on hold until the upcoming transfer to the Grantsville Exxon at the August 4, 2011 meeting. Commissioner Crosco made a motion to place the license on hold. The motion was made unanimous by Chairperson Gearhart. Mooney's Sports Pub is being transferred to the Oakland Golf Club. Bud's Package & Liquor is seeking approval of a Jam Fest to be held in August. The Board requested that the owner come to the August 4, 2011 meeting to give a more detailed description of the event they plan to have. There was a Sheriff's Office incident report filed on Table Rock on June 30, 2011. The Board

agreed that Ms. Owston should send a letter to Table Rock regarding the police report received. There was an incident report for Sugar Shack Tavern on June 24<sup>th</sup> and June 30<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Owston will also send a letter to Sugar Shack regarding the incident reports received. Ms. Owston also reported that she noticed a delivery slip showing an underage purchaser. Ms. Owston spoke to Gail Bosley about the slip and purchaser. Ms. Bosley researched and learned that she had written the wrong date on her delivery slip. A receipt was given for proof of purchase date.

There being no further business to discuss Commissioner Crosco made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made unanimous by Chairperson Gearhart.

The next regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners is scheduled for August 4, 2011.

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Thomas A. Gearhart  
Chairperson

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August 4, 2011

Date