

MINUTES

The Garrett County Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board held their October meeting in the Commissioner's Public Meeting Room on Thursday, October 12, 2017 at 8:30 AM. Present for the meeting was Chairperson Lisa Herman, Commissioner Michael Fratz, Commissioner David Moe, Administrator to the Board Deborah Owston, Attorney to the Board Elizabeth Georg and Agent Dave Marple from the Comptroller's Office.

Commissioner Fratz called the meeting to order. The Board signed mileage sheets.

The September 14, 2017 minutes were reviewed and approved by the Board. Chairperson Herman made the motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved by Commissioner Moe.

There was general discussion. The proposed draft legislation was reviewed and will be finalized at the November meeting. The Commissioner's legislative meeting is Monday, December 4, 2017 at 4:15 PM. The Board will hold their December meeting at 2:00 PM prior to the Commissioner's legislative meeting. The Board was reminded of the deadline for HB 1386 MD Public Ethics Law approaching. Ms. Owston informed the Board that New Year's Eve falls on a Sunday this year. The last time New Year's Eve occurred on a Sunday was in 2006. Since then there have been many changes to the Sunday sales regulations in Garrett County and several more approved precincts and districts. The meal requirement has been eliminated, off-premise sales are now approved and the permitted hours have been expanded. Currently there is one business that does not qualify for Sunday sales and six businesses who qualify but have not upgraded to a 7-day license. In accordance with AB § 21-2007, the Board approved all establishments with on-premise sales to serve until 4:00 AM. Off-premise sales will end at midnight as usual were authorized. On September 21, 2017, through Special Exception 460, the Deep Creek Watershed Board of Appeals agreed that for food & alcohol service for Deep Creek Marina, LLC t/a Monkey Business on Deep Creek Drive is appropriate to the Town Center zoning of the property. The business plans to submit a Class B Resort BWL alcoholic beverage license application. Alcohol Law Education & Regulatory Training (ALERT) was held September 29, 2017 at Garrett College. Several businesses attended the training. The Board approved Dutch's at Silver Tree's request to add the Wine Corkage Permit to their alcoholic beverage license privileges. FireFly Farms Creamery & Market served their 5-day suspension on September 18, 19, 20, 25 & 26, 2017. Emily Berry of Cornish Café is in the process of transferring the business entity from Avalon Business Ventures, Inc. to Cornish Café, Inc. As a result, a transfer alcoholic beverage application will be required along with a Transfer Release from the Comptroller's Office. Agent Marple said he will inspect the premise and see what the status is on transferring the accounts and the new legal entity. Ms. Georg mentioned the legal obligations of dissolving a corporation. Ms. Owston said she will follow up with the appropriate agencies to verify the transfer process. She also mentioned that Ms. Berry mentioned that she will not be selling any alcoholic beverages during the Autumn Glory festivities.

A violation hearing that was scheduled for 9:20 AM for Midway Discount Liquors was postponed until November 9, 2017. Commissioner Moe made the motion to postpone the

hearing to allow the license holders time to obtain different counsel, the motion was seconded by Chairperson Herman and unanimously approved by Commissioner Fratz.

The next regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, November 9, 2017.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Fratz made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Lisa M. Herman
Chairperson

November 9, 2017
Date