

## MINUTES

The Garrett County Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board held their monthly meeting on Thursday, July 9, 2020 at 9:00 AM. Due the COVID-19 State of Emergency and the limited access to the Garrett County Courthouse, the meeting was conducted by teleconference. Present on the call was Chairperson Lisa Herman, Commissioner Mike Fratz, Commissioner David Moe, Administrator to the Board Deborah Owston and Attorney to the Board M. Elizabeth Georg.

Chairperson Herman called the meeting to order. There were no mileage sheets to be signed by the Board since the meeting was a teleconference.

The Board approved the June 11, 2020 Minutes. Commissioner Fratz made the motion. The motion was second by Commissioner Moe and unanimously approved by Chairperson Herman.

There was general discussion before the hearings. In accordance with AB § 21-203, effective July 1, 2020, Lisa Herman became the Board of License Commissioners Chairperson. The 2020-2021 alcoholic beverage license renewal application approval will be a later date since they are still not all complete. The COVID-19 State of Emergency 2020 LCB renewal deadline extension for payment was discussed. Most of the renewal fees have been collected. If all applications are received complete prior to the August 13, 2020 meeting, the Board will approve them then. Collection of payment will be determined later. The license for Shrimp On The Barbie, LLC was issued on July 1, 2020. A discussion took place about an order they received on June 26, 2020 prior to licensure. Ms. Owston will follow up on the matter. The license for the Garrett County Arts Council, Inc. was issued on July 6, 2020. Potential applications for the August meeting include a transfer of Cindy's Place, a new convenience store on Backbone and a new tavern in Friendsville. The hearing for Sweitzer's BBQ will be conducted August 13, 2020 if the requested paperwork is received by August 1, 2020.

An upgrade license hearing was held at 9:20 AM for Little Crossings, LLC dba Cornucopia Café / Little Crossings Pantry. The license will be upgraded from a Class B B&W License to a Class B BWL License in accordance with the Maryland Annotated Code AB § 21-902. Applicants for the license are Janis Russell and Michael Dreisbach. Both applicants were on the call. The business is located at 146 Casselman Road, Grantsville, MD 21536. The applicants said they would like to offer mixed drinks to their customers. Commissioner Moe made a motion to approve the Class B BWL On-Sale 7-Day License upgrade. The motion was second by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved by Chairperson Herman. Ms. Owston said the license would be mailed upon receipt of payment.

A new license hearing was held at 9:40 AM for On The Edge Marina, LLC dba Spillway Kitchen & Bar for a Class B BDR Deluxe BWL On-Sale 7-Day License with Draft Beer Option in accordance with AB § 21-903 & 21-1103. Brenda McDonnell is the sole applicant for the license and was on the call. The restaurant is located at 20160 Garrett Highway on the adjoining property of her restaurant Ace's Run Restaurant & Pub. Ms. McDonnell told the Board the new restaurant is expected to be open in August. Ms. Owston reviewed the license issuance procedures and regulations as well as read the applicants responses. Ms.

Owston also emphasized that outside alcohol is not permitted on a licensed premise and that signage should be posted on the property. In addition, she said to make sure that staff at both restaurants are aware of the regulation and that guests are not permitted to take alcohol from one premise to the other or bring alcohol from their boat. It was reviewed that alcohol orders for the two premises must be separate as well and that splitting orders was prohibited. Commissioner Moe made a motion to approve the Class B BDR Deluxe BWL On-Sale 7-Day License with Draft Beer Option pending outstanding administrative items. The motion was second by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved by Chairperson Herman.

A transfer hearing was held at 10:00 AM for the Class D BWL On-Sale License issued to Doris Choate of De Amity, LLC, dba Pawn Run Saloon in accordance with AB § 21-905, 21-1701 & 21-1702. Applicants and membership percentage of the transferred license are Darlene R. Steyer 33.33%, Erika M. Kolb 33.33%, and Bethany L. Steyer 16.67%. Andrew Robison holds the remaining 16.67% of Graze, LLC dba Pawn Run. The business is located at 485 Boy Scout Road, Oakland, MD 21550. Darlene and Bethany were on the conference call. Darlene mentioned that they plan to make a few improvements and renovations to the establishment. Darlene mentioned that they are to go to closing on the property in late July. She said they plan to possibly open in September. Ms. Owston explained that this property is considered a non-conforming property in the lake residential zoned area and has already been approved for a one-time 35% expansion in 2008. She told the applicants that prior to any changes to the property, they need to contact the Planning and Land Management Office for approval. Ms. Owston reviewed the license issuance procedures and regulations as well as read the applicants responses. Ms. Owston suggested adding the Draft Beer Option later when they are closer to opening. Commissioner Moe made a motion to approve the transfer of the Class D BWL On-Sale 7-Day License with Draft Beer Option pending outstanding administrative items and property closing. The motion was second by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved by Chairperson Herman.

The next regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, August 13, 2020.

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

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David L. Moe  
Chairperson

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August 13, 2020  
Date