

MINUTES

The Garrett County Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board held their monthly meeting on Thursday, March 18, 2021 at 9:00 AM. The meeting was originally scheduled for March 11, 2021 but had to be rescheduled due to The Republican Newspaper omitting a requested Notice of Advertisement. 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 February 11, 2021 Minutes. Commissioner Fratz made the motion to approve the Minutes. The motion was second by Commissioner Moe and unanimously approved by Chairperson Herman.

There was general discussion. Ms. Owston reported that one more 2020-2021 license renewal fees was collected. This results in four businesses still outstanding. Ms. Owston informed the Board of Governor Hogan's recent Executive Order 21-03-09-03. This Order allows the head of each unit of State or local government may opt to exclude any Covered Authorization set to expire by June 30, 2021; provided, that the unit head shall provide reasonable public notice of each exclusion. In accordance with the new Order, the Board unanimously agreed that renewal fees for the 2020-2021 license year that runs until June 30, 2021 must be collected by May 1, 2021. Ms. Owston said she will inform those establishments that need to pay of the new date. A previous Executive Order would have allowed the continuance of an expired license until 30 days after the State of Emergency was lifted. The 2021-2022 license renewals will proceed as scheduled. The new LCB app will be used for the license year beginning July 1, 2021. The legislative letters of support / opposition to Delegate Beitzel, Senator Edwards and House and Senate committees were submitted. SB0205/HB0012 Take-out Sale or Delivery for Off-Premises Consumption has pending amendments to allow limits on the quantity. SB0763/HB0996 Chain Store bill was withdrawn by the sponsor. The Board discussed conducting all pending show cause continuance hearings on May 13, 2021 in the Garrett County Courthouse Public Meeting Room. This will include show cause continuance hearings for Home Town Pizzeria, Shrimp On The Barbie as well as recent businesses who failed compliance checks. LakeStar Lodge started receiving alcohol in January from Lohr's. They questioned if they could purchase from retailer. They were informed purchases from a retailer were strictly prohibited. The Board approved pre-applications for the Festival Licenses. Drinks Inc. dba McHenry Beverage submitted the only application for the Beer & Wine Festival. The Board unanimously approved their pre-application for the Deep Creek Lake Art & Wine Festival to be conducted on September 11, 2021. Ms. Owston will inform them to apply at the July 8, 2021 meeting. The Oakland VFD event scheduled for March 13, 2021 will be postponed until May 22, 2021. Dutch's at Silver Tree will be requesting approval for construction of new deck. Friendsville Public House license was issued on February 25, 2021 for ordering purposes only. Compliance checks were conducted on March 6, 2021. Six businesses

were checked. Two businesses were not in compliance. The concept of mobile glamping and the issuance of a license was discussed.

A transfer hearing was held at 9:20 AM for the transfer of the Class D BWL On-Sale 6-Day License issued to Brenda Robeson of Cindy's Place. Applicants Carol Beeman and David L. Beeman request the license be upgraded to a Class D BWL On-Sale 7-Day License, in accordance with the MD Annotated Code, Alcoholic Beverages Article, AB § 21-905, AB §21-1701 and AB § 21-1702. The legal entity name is RePub, LLC. The applicants are equal partners in the LLC with 50% membership each. The Trade Name will be changed to Cindy's Tavern. The establishment is located at 1306 Finzel Road in Finzel, Maryland. Both applicants were on the call. Ms. Owston reviewed the license issuance procedures and regulations. In addition, Ms. Owston noted the outstanding administrative items that are due pending the property closing. Commissioner Moe made a motion to approve the transfer of the license with an upgrade to a Class D BWL On-Sale 7-Day License. The motion was second by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved by Chairperson Herman. The license will be issued upon receiving the outstanding administrative items and fees.

A hearing was held at 9:40 AM for the transfer of the Class D B&W On-Sale 7-Day License issued to Robert Speicher of Rake Management LLC dba Thousand Acres Golf Club. Albert Hawk, Cynthia Stark and Robert Raley applied for the transfer of the license, in accordance with the Maryland Annotated Code, Alcoholic Beverages Article, AB § 21-806, AB §21-1701 and AB § 21-1702. The legal entity is 1000 Acres Golf, LLC dba Thousand Acres Golf Club. Mr. Hawk is the LLC Chairman with 97% membership. Cynthia Stark is the LLC President with 1% membership. Robert Raley is the LLC Vice-President with 1% membership and Laurie Sipes is the LLC Secretary/Treasurer with 1% membership. The license will be issued for the use of the golf course, pro-shop, and patio area of 500 Lakeside Club Drive in Swanton. Ms. Stark and Mr. Raley were on the call. Ms. Owston reviewed the license issuance procedures and regulations with the applicants. In addition, Ms. Owston noted that the golf course will now be licensed and BYOB is strictly prohibited on the property. Ms. Owston stated that all administrative application items have been submitted. Commissioner Moe made a motion to approve the transfer of the Class D B&W On-Sale 7-Day License. The motion was second by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved by Chairperson Herman. The license will be issued on Friday, March 19, 2021 upon receiving the license transfer fee.

The next regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, April 8, 2021.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Moe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Fratz second the motion and Chairperson Herman unanimously agreed.

Lisa Herman
Chairperson

April 8, 2021

Date