

MINUTES

The Garrett County Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board held their monthly meeting on Thursday, February 10, 2022 at 9:00 AM. The meeting was conducted by teleconference. Chairperson David Moe and Administrator to the Board Deborah Owston were on the call from the Board of License Commissioners Office. Commissioner Lisa Herman, Commissioner Michael Fratz and Attorney to the Board M. Elizabeth Georg were on the phone call from their offices.

Chairperson Moe called the meeting to order. The Chairperson Moe signed his mileage sheet.

The Board approved the December 9, 2021 Minutes. Commissioner Herman made the motion to approve the Minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fratz and made unanimous by Chairperson Moe.

There was general discussion before the hearings. Ms. Owston noted that the January 3, 2022 meeting was not conducted since there were no applications to be heard. Don Patron's local license holder replacement has been completed. Graze LLC dba Pawn Run is still pending a final U&O to open to the public. S&S Store is still pending a final U&O to open to the public. Home Town Pizzeria asked about upgrading the Class "D" Beer License to a "D" BWL License. The Health Department will require a three-compartment sink and plumbing. Louis Weeks of Mountain Fix and Marsh Hill Mercantile inquired about conducting "First Friday" events at The Fort. Ms. Owston mentioned that the BLC/LCB Financial Disclosure forms required by the Maryland State Ethics Commission are due by April 30, 2022. A meeting was held January 6, 2022 with Wisp Resort staff, Ms. Owston and ATC to discuss common areas on the property. Pine Lodge emailed about the acceptance of digital IDs. This practice is not allowed but may possibly be an option in the future. Some states are testing digital ID technology, but the user must also possess a hard copy of original driver's license. The 2022 legislative session was discussed. Senate Bill 0415 is the Garrett County Alcoholic Beverages Act of 2022. A House Bill is expected soon. The Board also discussed the retail grocery establishment legislation. The Board unanimously agreed to not support a retail grocery store license bill and instructed Ms. Owston to send Delegate Beitzel and Senator Edwards letters of opposition. The Comptroller of Maryland requested four alcoholic beverage license renewal holds for the 2022-2023 license year. Habitat for Humanity is planning a fundraiser dinner with alcohol in the fall. The Chamber of Commerce will conduct a Business After Hours event at Smoke N Mirrors on February 10, 2022.

A hearing was held at 9:20 AM for the Street Festival License in accordance with the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 21-1304.1. Applicants for the license are Margaret Jamison, Jay Moyer, and Nicole McCullough. The qualifying non-profit organization is the Oakland Heritage Community Foundation, Inc. The Winterfest Wine Walk will be held on February 19, 2022 and The Kickoff to Summer Beer Walk event will be on June 18, 2022. Both events will take place in the Town of Oakland Arts & Entertainment District. Nicole McCullough was present on the call. Ms. McCullough mentioned the event details and answered several questions about the event. They will be closing a few streets during the event as well as posting "event in progress" signs to alert those traveling in the area. Ms. Owston reviewed the license issuance procedures and regulations. Chairperson Moe made a motion to

approve the Street Festival License. The motion was second by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved by Commissioner Herman. Ms. Owston said she will get the Age ID scanner and wristbands for the event. The licenses will be issued upon payment.

The next regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday March 10, 2022.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Herman made a motion to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved.

David L. Moe
Chairperson

March 10, 2022
Date