MINUTES

The Garrett County Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board held their monthly meeting on Thursday, January 14, 2021 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 December 17, 2020 Minutes. Commissioner Moe made the motion to approve the Minutes. The motion was second by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved by Chairperson Herman. The Board approved the December 29, 2020 Minutes. Commissioner Moe made the motion to approve the Minutes. The motion was second by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved by Chairperson Herman.

No hearings were conducted. There was general discussion. Ms. Owston reported that there was no change to the 2020-2021 license renewal update. She also mentioned that the 2021-2022 renewal process would begin soon. It was noted that a separate 2021 public legislative meeting with Delegate Beitzel and Senator Edwards was not held due to the COVID-19 pandemic since a livestream Facebook meeting was held in December with the Garrett County Commissioners. The statewide legislative bill SB0205 / HB0012 - Sale or Delivery for Off-Premise Consumption that allows take out sales and delivery of any alcohol and cocktails to-go was discussed in detail. The Board expressed concern on the allowance of to-go mixed drinks. Offer in Compromise letters in lieu of show cause hearings were approved by the Board during a special meeting on December 29, 2020. Compromise letters were sent on December 29, 2020 to Midway Discount Liquors, Home Town Pizzeria and American Legion Post #71 to replace hearing letters on December 15, 2020. The American Legion Post #71 waived their right to hearing and submitted their fine on January 5, 2021. Midway Discount Beverages waived their right to hearing and submitted their fine on January 11, 2021. It was noted that no response had been received from Home Town Pizzeria and that the 20-day deadline was approaching. Danny Bosley replaced Autumn Newcomb-Shay on the Shrimp on The Barbie license on December 18, 2020. LakeStar Lodge license was transferred to LL DCL, LLC on December 21, 2020. Sharon Blank's shares of Memorial Drive Investments were to be transferred to Terry Boggs. Ms. Owston said she would follow up to get the formal documents for the license file. Compliance checks were conducted on December 31, 2020. Ten business were checked. One was closed. All were in compliance with the law. Shrimp On The Barbie was inspected on January 4, 2021. The Comptroller's Office will forward a report to the Board. Ms. Owston also noted that the old license was still on-site, and that Chris Watson was supposed to pick up the revised license. Ms. Owston said once the report is received from the Comptroller's Office, she would notify the Board.

The next regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, February 11, 2021.

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