MINUTES

The Garrett County Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board held their monthly meeting on Thursday, August 10, 2023. The meeting was conducted at 10:00 AM in the Garrett County Commissioners Public Meeting Room 209. Present at the meeting was Chairperson David Moe, Commissioner Lisa Herman, Commissioner Michael Fratz, Administrator to the Board Deborah Owston, and Attorney to the Board, M. Elizabeth Georg.

Chairperson Moe called the meeting to order. The Board signed mileage sheets. There were no Minutes for approval.

There was general discussion before the hearings. Long Branch had an incident in late July. The establishment handled the situation by contacting law enforcement. No further action from the Board was necessary. The Board discussed the creation of a commercial banquet / catering facility license. The Chamber of Commerce BAH event will be held downtown Oakland featuring GOBA on August 10, 2023. Midway is still closed due to fire damage. There was a recent AG Opinion on deliveries outside of an approved county. The opinion states that they are prohibited. Swallow Falls General Store inquired about the application process. The Board determined that a new application would be required.

A new license hearing was held at 10:20 AM for a Class B Beer, Wine & Liguor On-Sale 7-Day License with Draft Beer Option in accordance with the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 21-902 and AB § 21-1103. Applicants for the license are Gudrun Helga Mehring, Kate Buchanan & Kenneth Buchanan. The legal entity name is MHK Group, LLC. The trade name will be 206 Alder. The business is located at 206 East Alder Street in Oakland, Maryland. All three applicants were present for the license hearing as well as Monique Mehring. A brief discussion took place about the license privileges and the future licensed premise areas. The applicants made a request to also approve them form the Growler Option, Crowler Option, and 2-Bottle Wine Option. They also asked that the premise include their outside sidewalk space for two tables with four chairs at each table. Ms. Owston reviewed the license issuance procedures and regulations. The applicants anticipate opening mid-September. Commissioner Herman made a motion to approve the new Class B BWL 7-Day License with the Draft Beer Option, Growler Option, Crowler Option, and 2-Bottle Wine Option pending resolution of the outstanding administrative items. The motion was second by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved by Chairperson Moe. The license will be issued upon receiving the outstanding and administrative items and payment.

A Beer & Wine Festival License hearing was held at 10:40 AM on the application submitted by Drinks, Inc. trading as McHenry Beverage Shoppe. Raymond Schurg and Rebecca Schurg are the applicants for the license. Paula Yudelevit and Mary Callis attended the hearing to represent the Deep Creek Lake Art, Wine & Beer Festival Committee. The festival will be September 8, 2023 and September 9, 2023 at the Garrett County Fairgrounds in McHenry. Ms. Yudelevit and Ms. Callis discussed the details of the event with the Board. HART for Animals and GLAF are the two main beneficiaries of the festival. Commissioner Herman made a motion to approve the two-day Beer & Wine Festival License to be used on September 8, 2023 and September 9, 2023. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved by Chairperson Moe. The next regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, September 14, 2023.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Herman made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved by Chairperson Moe.

David Moe Chairperson September 14, 2023 Date