

**LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD FOR HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND**  
16 North Main Street, Bel Air, MD 21014

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**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
May 25, 2022

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**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by Chair Majewski. In attendance were Vice Chair Merchant, Commissioners Welch, Burdette and Goddard along with Board Counsel Amy K. Finneran and Judith Powell.

**MINUTES**

Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes for February 23 and March 9; the vote was unanimous.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

May 18

U.S. Treasurer	Withholding	1883.21
State Comptroller	Withholding	57.72
ConnectPay	Accounting	68.60
Payroll	Payroll	4835.35
Kelly & Assoc.	Insurance	316.78
BGE	Utilities	291.51
Mary Sporre	Insurance Refund	1167.20
Metro Data	Computer	664.00
Penn National Insurance	Insurance	4385.00

May 25

Proshred	Supplies	53.00
Viabit, LLC	Computer	180.00
Malissa Roche	Maintenance	60.00

**PERSONS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD**

1) First-Time Applicant – Community Projects of Havre de Grace – Per Diem Beer & Wine

First-Time Applicant Nicky Fournier appeared on behalf of Community Projects of Havre de Grace for a per diem beer and wine application to be used on July 3<sup>rd</sup> at Hutchins Park in Havre de Grace for an Independence Day concert. Motion was made and seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

**SHOW CAUSE HEARING**

1) Shambhavi, Inc. T/A Old School Tavern

Shweta Srivastava, President, Shambhavi, Inc. T/A Old School Tavern, 3403 Conowingo Road, Street, appeared in proper person in connection with a show cause hearing indicating violations of:

- a. Illegal purchase and/or possession of alcoholic beverages in violation of Alcoholic Beverage Article § 6-311(c) of the Annotated Code of Maryland, which provides that a license holder / retail dealer may not:
  - i. Keep or allow to be kept any alcoholic beverage on the licensed premises except those that have been purchased by the retail dealer.

and

- b. Failure to keep complete and accurate records of all alcoholic beverages purchased in violation of Alcoholic Beverages Article § 1-408 of the Annotated Code of Maryland which provides that:
  - i. A person who manufactures, rectifies, blends, imports, distributes, transports, stores, warehouses, sells, or offers for sale alcoholic beverages or who holds a license to do those activities shall:
  - ii. keep complete and accurate records of all alcoholic beverages purchased, sold, manufactured, rectified, blended, improved, brewed, fermented, distilled, produced, stored, warehoused, withdrawn from storage, imported, or transferred;
  - iii. on written request of the Comptroller, report on the form that the Comptroller requires information relating to the alcoholic beverages that are the subject of the records required to be kept; and
  - iv. on request of the Comptroller, make the report under oath.

The Violations occurred on February 17, 2022.

Motion was made and seconded to convene to executive session to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice; the vote was unanimous. Motion was made and seconded to return to open session; the vote was unanimous. The Board presented the following findings regarding the show cause hearing:

Subsequent to the Hearing, the Board considered all the evidence presented. Based upon the statement of facts (i.e., the written report of Board Inspector William Colburn), as well as applicable License Holder's testimony, and with further consideration to License Holder's relevant past record (if any), motion was made and duly seconded to find License Holder in **Violation** of Alcoholic Beverage Article § 6-311(c) of the Annotated Code of Maryland; the vote was unanimous. Motion was made and seconded to impose a three (3) day suspension for this violation; the vote was unanimous.

Motion was made and duly seconded to find License Holder in **Violation** of Alcoholic Beverages Article § 1-408 of the Annotated Code of Maryland; the vote was unanimous. Motion was made and seconded to impose a Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollar fine for this violation; the vote was unanimous.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

##### 1) Guo's, Inc. T/A Lee's Hunan Restaurant – Request to Escrow

Lee's Hunan Restaurant, 971-G Beards Hill Road, Aberdeen, has submitted a request to escrow their license pending the sale of the business and the transfer of the license. The business will be sold prior to the transfer of the license. All alcohol will be removed from the premises until the license is transferred. Motion was made and seconded to approve the escrow request; the vote was unanimous.

2) Logos, Inc. T/A 510 Johnny's – Request to Escrow

510 Johnny's, 510 Marketplace Drive, Bel Air, has submitted a request for the following: (1) To close the dining room of 510 Johnny's effective May 30th; (2) To maintain catering operations on-site through June 25th; and (3) to escrow the license as of June 26th pending a possible change of location. Motion was made and seconded to approve the above dates and the escrow request; the vote was unanimous.

3) Fines Paid

DAKM, L.L.C. T/A Sean Bolan's Irish Pub paid a \$100 fine for an alcohol awareness violation, and Plaza Mexico of Fallston, Inc. T/A Plaza Mexico Restaurant paid a \$500 fine for a second alcohol awareness violation.

4) Audit Proposal

The audit proposal for 2021-2022 from SB & Company, L.L.C., was presented for review with a fee of \$12,500. Motion was made and seconded to approve the proposal; the vote was unanimous.

**PER DIEM LICENSES TO BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD**

1) Central Maryland Chapter Ducks Unlimited – Annual Sippin by the River – 06/25 – BW

Issued to Neil Crumbaker and Steven Steinbacher to be used at Jerusalem Mill on June 25th. Motion was made and seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

2) The Char Hope Foundation – Char Hope Corral 99 – 06/04/22 – BW

Issued to Derek Hopkins and Sandra Gallion to be used at The Vineyard Farm in Bel Air on June 4<sup>th</sup>. Motion was made and seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

3) Havre de Grace Arts Collective

Issued to Rebecca Jessop and William Price to be used on the following dates:

- a. Gary Brewer & The Kentucky Ramblers Concert – 06/12 - BW
- b. Thirsty Thursday – Play Reading – 07/07 - BW
- c. Brian Michael Hoffman Concert – 07/08 - BW
- d. Resilience & Joy: My Mother's Journey – Theatre – 07/22 – BW
- e. Mosaic Season One – Theater – July 29, 30, 31, August 5, 6, 7 – BWL

Motion was made and seconded to approve five applications; the vote was unanimous.

**STAFF REPORT / PUBLIC COMMENT / BOARD COMMENT**

Mrs. Sporre reported that the signage has been ordered and delivery is delayed due to supply issues.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made and seconded to convene to executive session to seek legal advice from counsel; the vote was unanimous. The Board determined that Jefferson L. Blomquist, Esquire, will respond to the claim received from the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights.

Staff presented the commissioners with a salary increase request. Commissioners will review the documentation submitted and discussion will continue at the next meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes from the Harford County Liquor Control Board Meeting on May 25, 2022, have been reviewed and approved by the following:

  
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Paul J. Majewski, II, Chair

  
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James E. Welch, Commissioner

  
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Frederic L. Merchant, Vice Chair

  
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Susan Burdette, Commissioner

  
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Wayne Goddard, Commissioner