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

BOARD MEETING MINUTES September 27, 2023

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Liquor Control Board for Harford County was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Goddard at the Board's office. In attendance were Vice Chair Burdette, Commissioner Walters, Board Counsel Amy K. Finneran, and General Manager Crabbs. Commissioners Majewski and Sines were previously excused.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Motion was made by Vice Chair Burdette and was seconded to approve payment of the following bills; the vote was unanimous.

September 15-27		
U.S. Treasurer	Withholding	5154.35
State Comptroller	Withholding	1335.58
ConnectPay	Accounting	105.50
Payroll	Payroll	11252.64
State Retirement	Retirement	474.49
Comcast	Telephone	244.43
Crystal Spring	Office	6.99
Kelly & Associates	Insurance	1999.74
BGE	Utilities	230.17
Malissa Roche	Maintenance	60.00
MD Stated Retirement	Retirement	174.61
Metro Data	Computer	416.50
Modus Solution	Office	40.71
The Shred Mill	Maintenance	47.50

PERSONS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD

- 1) First-Time Applicant (1) Harford County Chamber of Commerce Per Diem Beer & Wine License Natalie Pixley appeared as a First-Time Applicant along with previous applicant Angela Rose DeBrigida on behalf of Harford County Chamber of Commerce in connection with a Per Diem Beer & Wine License to be used at Freedom Federal Credit Union, 2019 Emmorton Road, Bel Air, for a networking event on October 12. Motion was made by Commissioner Walters and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.
- 2) <u>First-Time Applicants (2) St. Margaret Church Per Diem Beer & Wine License</u>
 First-Time Applicants Lisa Hack and Margaret Yantz appeared on behalf of St. Margaret Church in connection with a Per Diem Beer & Wine License to be used in the school gym, 141 N. Hickory Avenue, Bel Air, for a fellowship pork dinner on October 14. Motion was made by Vice Chair Burdette and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

3) <u>First-Time Applicants (2) – Kutcher Foundation/Joshua Hamer Legacy Foundation – Per Diem Beer, Wine & Liquor License</u>

First-Time Applicants Jennifer Hamer and Brittany N. Russin-Smith appeared on behalf of Kutcher Foundation/Joshua Hamer Legacy Foundation in connection with a Per Diem Beer, Wine & Liquor License to be used at an outdoor event at The Hive at Rumsey, 626 Towne Center Drive, Joppatowne, on September 30. Motion was made by Commissioner Walters and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

PER DIEM BEER & WINE LICENSES TO BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD

1) St. Ignatius Knights of Columbus #9729 - Dinner and Dance - 10/21

Application submitted by Dennis Beyer and Salvadore Sapienza on behalf of St. Ignatius Knights of Columbus #9729 for a dinner dance being held on October 21 in the parish hall, 533 E. Jarrettsville Road, Forest Hill. Motion was made by Vice Chair Burdette and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

PER DIEM BEER, WINE & LIQUOR LICENSES TO BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD

1) Harford Land Trust - "Party to Preserve" Fundraiser - 10/07

Application submitted by Benjamin Lloyd and Kristin Kirkwood on behalf of Harford Land Trust for a "Party to Preserve" fundraiser being held on October 7 being held at Springhouse Family Farm, 1326 Somerville Road, Bel Air. Motion was made by Commissioner Walters and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

2) Havre de Grace Arts Collective - "Art of Drag" Opening Reception - 9/30

Application submitted by William Price and Kathryn Noe on behalf of Havre de Grace Arts Collective for a gallery reception being held on September 30 at 220 N. Washington Street, Havre de Grace. Motion was made by Vice Chair Burdette and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1) Kohler Food & Beverage, Inc. T/A Pairings Bistro - Outside Event Application

Outside Event Application has been submitted to be used for The Ramble Festival at Camp Ramblewood in Darlington on October 6, 7, and 8. Motion was made by Commissioner Walters and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

2) TCL Properties, L.L.C. T/A Wine World Beer & Spirits - Outside Event Application

Outside Event Application has been submitted to be used for their "Halloween Bash" on the store's parking lot at 406A Constant Friendship Boulevard, Abingdon, on October 29. Motion was made by Vice Chair Burdette and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

3) Vishnu, L.L.C. T/A India Garden

This license has been turned in for cancellation and license holders are due a refund. The business is in the process of being sold.

4) Approval of Salary Increase

Motion was made by Vice Chair Burdette and was seconded to approve the salary increase that is being submitted to the County Executive today; the vote was unanimous.

5) Attorney General Opinion - How to Apply the Fee Allocation Requirements

The Attorney General Opinion regarding the disposition of license fees has been received. Further discussion of the AG opinion will be held when all commissioners are present.

Chair Goddard suggested that a copy of Attorney General Opinion concerning license fee distribution be sent to Mr. Sandlass and the treasurers and mayors of each municipality.

6) Legislative Topics / Delegation Meeting

Senator Mary-Dulany James met with GM Crabbs and Ms. Finneran in connection with Mr. Snee's subpoena legislation. She also expressed interest in operations, staffing, and budgetary issues, and she recognizes that there is a revenue problem.

Discussion was held regarding phasing in any license fee increase, increasing processing fees that are set by the Board, subpoena legislation, and licenses as property.

GM Crabbs will forward any legislative issues prior to the October 4 delegation meeting.

STAFF COMMENT / PUBLIC COMMENT / BOARD COMMENT

Inspector Buchler was involved in a motor vehicle accident and is not yet back to work due to his injuries. Our insurer has been notified and a workers compensation claim has been filed.

There being no further business, motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to adjourn the meeting; the vote was unanimous.

Wayne & Goddard, Chair

Mary Sporre, Secretary