LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD FOR HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

16 North Main Street, Bel Air, MD 21014

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 12, 2025

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Liquor Control Board for Harford County was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Chair Goddard at the Board's office. The delayed start was due to inclement weather. In attendance were Commissioners Sines and Walters, General Manager Crabbs, and Board Counsel Amy K. Finneran. Vice Chair Majewski and Commissioner Miller were previously excused.

MINUTES

Motion was made by Commissioner Walters and was seconded to approve the Minutes for January 22; the vote was unanimous.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to pay the following bills; the vote was unanimous.

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U.S. Treasurer	Withholding	3728.49
State Comptroller	Withholding	967.04
ConnectPay	Accounting	100.00
Payroll	Payroll	10121.02
State Retirement	Retirement	691.09
Crystal Springs	Office	9.98
LEAF	Copier lease	615.00
First Bankcard	Office	203.28
First Bankcard	Gas & Vehicle	297.67
First Bankcard	Gas	27.63
Amy Finneran	Legal	1750.00
Kopin, LLC	Rent	2804.00
Kopin, LLC	Rent	120.00
Malissa Roche	Maintenance	80.00
Driver's License Guide	Office	75.50
Metro Data	Computer	664.00
Modus Solutions	Office	18.83
Backfin Blues Group	License refund	1072.50
Baltimore Sun Media	Advertising	940.90

PERSONS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD

1) Chili's of Bel Air, Inc. T/A Chili's Grill & Bar - Supplemental Application

Lionel Korley, Assistant Secretary, Chili's of Bel Air, Inc. t/a Chili's Grill & Bar, 502 Baltimore Pike, Bel Air, appeared along with their attorney, Leanne M. Schrecengost, in connection with this Class BNR-BWL-On Sale Only license. The purpose of this Supplemental Application is to remove Kevin McCool from the license. Lionel Korley has passed the licensee test and will be added to the license holding 10% interest in the corporation; Scott Kram, Assistant Secretary, will remain on the license holding 10% interest; Lisa Phillips, Assistant Secretary, holds 10%; and the remaining 70% interest is held by Brinker International, Inc. Motion was made by Commissioner Walters and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous. A license dated 02/12/2025 was prepared and signed by Chair Goddard.

2) Tidewater Grille, Inc., T/A Tidewater Grille - Supplemental Application

Ralph Shapot, President, Francis Hahn, Vice President, Tidewater Grille, Inc., T/A Tidewater Grille, 300 Franklin Street, Havre de Grace, appeared along with their attorney, Carolyn M. Evans, in connection with this Class B-BW On/Off-L On Sale Only License. The purpose of this Supplemental Application is to add Francis Hahn to the license. Francis Hahn has passed the licensee test and will serve as the Responsible

Operator. Ralph Shapot will hold 75% interest in the corporation and Francis Hahn will hold 25% interest. Motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to approve the Supplemental Application; the vote was unanimous. A license dated 02/12/2025 was prepared and signed by Chair Goddard.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1) V.F.W. Post 10028, Inc., T/A Aberdeen Memorial Post 10028 - Supplemental

V.F.W. Post 10028, Inc., T/A Aberdeen Memorial Post 10028, 821 Old Philadelphia Road, Aberdeen, has submitted a Supplemental Application for this Class C1-BWL-On Sale Only license.

Due to club elections, Carmen C. Aviles will be removed from the license. Craig Trice, Sr. Vice Commander, will be added to the license. Raphael Mack, Commander, and Travis Watson, Quartermaster will remain on the license. Mr. Mack will continue to serve as the Responsible Operator. Motion was made by Commissioner Walters and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous. A license dated 02/12/2025 was prepared and signed by Chair Goddard.

2) Fines Paid for Sale to Underage

The following fines imposed by the Board for sale to underage have been paid: Rickie, Inc. T/A C.R. Wings \$1500; D&M's Tiki Bar & Crab Deck, L.L.C. T/A D&M's Tiki Bar & Crab Deck \$1,000; Saucey Enterprises, L.L.C. T/A Das Bierhalle Bel Air \$750; and Hickory Lodge, L.L.C. T/A Hickory Lodge \$1,000.

- 3) <u>Valleybrook Country Club, L.L.C. T/A Valleybrook Country Club Summer Season</u> Valleybrook Country Club, L.L.C. T/A Valleybrook Country Club, 1810 Valleybrook Drive, Kingsville, has submitted notice that their summer season will open on 05/24/2025 and the season will close on 09/01/2025. Depending on weather they might open for September 6, 7, and 13.
- 4) <u>V.F.W. Post 8672, Inc. T/A Jarrettsville Manor Memorial Post 8672 Renovations Complete</u> V.F.W. Post 8672, Inc. T/A Jarrettsville Manor Memorial Post 8672, 1714 Morse Road, Forest Hill, has advised that the canteen has reopened after adding an additional sink behind the bar area and some other minor upgrades following Health Department observations.
- 5) OG Beverages of MD, L.L.C. T/A Olive Garden Restaurant #6517 60 Day Status Update
 OG Beverages of MD, L.L.C. T/A Olive Garden Restaurant #6517, 2690 Compromise Street, Bel Air, has submitted a 60 day status update indicating that construction continues.
- 6) RARE Beverages of MD, Inc. T/A LongHorn Steakhouse #5695 60 Day Status Update
 RARE Beverages of MD, Inc. T/A LongHorn Steakhouse #5695, 2697 Compromise Street, Bel Air, has submitted a 60 day status update indicating that construction continues.

January's performance budget

Total budget expended to date is 77%. Commissioner Walters is working on the 2025-26 budget.

PER DIEM LICENSES TO BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD

St. Margaret School – Bingo – 02/28 B&W

Submitted by Deanna Townsley and Gail Rohleder on behalf of St. Margaret School for Bingo being held on 02/28. Motion was made by Commissioner Walters and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

2) Knights of Columbus Council #9729 - Spaghetti Dinner - 03/02 B&W

Submitted by Dennis Beyer and Salvadore Sapienza on behalf of the St. Ignatius Knights of Columbus Council #9729 for a spaghetti dinner being held on 03/02. Motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

3) Harford County Farm Bureau - Bull & Shrimp Roast - 03/08 BWL

Submitted by Alice Archer and Janet Archer on behalf of Harford County Farm Bureau for their bull and shrimp roast being held at Vignon Manor Farm on 03/08. Motion was made by Commissioner Walters and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

4) St. Mark Fallston - Men's Oyster Night - 03/08 B&W

Submitted by Julie Tomko and Michael Tomko on behalf of St. Mark Fallston for their Men's Oyster Night being held 03/08. Motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

STAFF REPORT / PUBLIC COMMENT / BOARD COMMENT

Michael Euler, 1814 Angleside Rd., Fallston, addressed the Board as landlord of the property vacated by Uncle's Hawaiian Grindz located at 2315 Bel Air Road, Suite B2, Fallston in connection with the requirements of a BNR license specifically the \$250,000 investment in new kitchen and dining room equipment. An application has been submitted by YSA, L.L.C. T/A Natalie's Seafood Kitchen for this same location.

After much discussion, Commissioner Sines made a motion, it was seconded, and the vote was unanimous to amend the capital investment improvements to add to the acceptable list:

wall treatments

restroom improvements

decorative motif

lighting fixtures

furniture

kitchen equipment

utensils

place settings

fire suppression systems

floor treatments

televisions

computers

cash registers

HVAC systems

Use specific electrical and plumbing

Reasonable cost of labor

Motion was made by Commissioner Sines, it was seconded, and the vote was unanimous to amend the capital investment improvements to add the items that are not acceptable in connection with the \$250,000 capital investment requirements:

permanent walls

ceiling tiles

paper supplies

food

paper products

beverage inventory

signs

lease/rent

For clarity, the statute excludes the building and foundation from the capital investment.

The hearing for this application is scheduled for March 12; all approvals are due to Mrs. Powell by 12:00 noon on March 7 or the hearing will be postponed, and all other documentation and revisions that Carolyn Evans, Esquire, is working on are due by February 26.

GM Crabbs advised that he will move forward with the build out of the Board room for the tv screens.

The landlord has not yet submitted the lease renewal for our office space.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Wayne S. Goddard, Chair

Mary Sporre, Secretary