

MINUTES

The Garrett County Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board held their monthly meeting on Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 9:00 AM in the Commissioner's Public Meeting Room 209. Present for the meeting was Chairperson Michael Fratz, Commissioner Lisa Herman, Commissioner David Moe, Administrator to the Board Deborah Owston and Attorney to the Board M. Elizabeth Georg.

Chairperson Fratz called the meeting to order. The Board signed mileage sheets.

The Board approved the November 8, 2018 minutes via email on November 26, 2018. Commissioner Moe made the motion. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Herman and made unanimous by Chairperson Fratz. No meetings were held in December and January.

There was general discussion before the hearings. The 2019 legislation for the Garrett County Alcoholic Beverages – Revisions were assigned as HB 0723 and SB 0547. The Board completed the Mandatory Ethics Training requirements in accordance with HB 1469. The State Ethics Commission Financial Disclosure forms are due by April 30, 2019. Ken's Irish Pub closed the end of December. Mr. Fox requested the license be placed on hold until June 30, 2019 while they seek a buyer. A motion to approve the request was made by Commissioner Moe. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Herman and unanimously approved by Chairperson Fratz. Sweitzer's BBQ requested their approval be extended until March 31, 2019. Commissioner Herman made motion to extend the Board's approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moe. The extended approval for Eats On Alder Street ended on December 31, 2018. The Board accepted festival license pre-applications for the upcoming license year. McHenry Beverage was approved to submit an application for the Beer & Wine Festival License to be used on September 7, 2019. The Chamber of Commerce will conduct Business After Hours on February 14, 2019 at Mt. State Brewing Co. The Deep Creek Dunk will be held on February 23, 2019 at Pizzeria Uno. Friendsville VFRD will conduct an event on February 23, 2019. Eastern Garrett County VFRD will conduct an event on March 2, 2019. Oakland VFD will conduct an event on March 9, 2019. Deep Creek VFC will conduct an event on March 30, 2019. Samantha Funding the Arts will conduct an event on April 13, 2019 at the AG Heritage Hall. Sandy Fazenbaker inquired about a license at the Grantsville Plaza. Sandy Tasker will be submitting an application for the Oakland Golf Club. Tyler Boyce inquired about a license at the Jubilee restaurant in Friendsville separate from the owner of the restaurant. Sipside Lounge will open to the public on February 15, 2019. Jason Sines of Bartender in a Box inquired about conducting events on licensed premises. The Board reviewed a letter from the Garrett County Health Department to Longstretch Market in reference to failed water samples during 2018. The Board agreed if the matter is not corrected by February 28, 2019 when the food service facility license expires, a show cause continuance hearing will be automatically scheduled. North Glade Inn inquired about an event for the Garrett County Wedding Professionals at their barn. It was discussed that they will need to add the Catering Option to their license. The Board approved the license upgrade for when they are ready for the license upgrade. Tomanetti's was approved to add the Off-Premise Wine Sales (2-bottle) Option to their license. They plan to sell bottles of wine during the Oakland Winterfest Event. A motion to

approve the request was made by Commissioner Moe. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Herman and unanimously approved by Chairperson Fratz

A transfer hearing was held at 9:20 AM. John's Corner, LLC applied for the transfer of the Class A B&W On-Sale 7-Day License issued to Cornerstone Market, LLC dba Cornerstone Market. The business is located at 2610 North Glade Road in Swanton. Applicants for the licenses are John Lee and Randy Virts. Randy Virts has 1% ownership interest and Mr. Lee has 99 % ownership interest. John Lee, Leslie Miller and outgoing licensee, Barbara Lynch were present for the hearing. Ms. Owston noted that Mr. Virts is the qualifying business applicant in accordance with AB §21-1502. The applicants requested to upgrade the license to a Class D Beer & Wine On-Sale 7-day license. Mr. Lee said they would continue to operate the business as a convenience store. The zoning restrictions were mentioned and Mr. Lee was advised to check with the Planning and Land Management Office prior to any changes in use. Ms. Owston reviewed the license issuance procedures and regulations. Ms. Owston explained that the applicants would be leasing the property temporarily until the property closing on February 28, 2019. Ms. Owston explained the renewal process and importance of meeting all deadlines. Commissioner Moe made a motion to approve the transfer of the license to a Class "D" Beer & Wine On-Sale 7-Day License. Commissioner Herman seconded the motion and unanimously approved by Chairperson Fratz.

A transfer hearing was held at 9:45 AM for Hartman's Accident Amoco, Inc. dba Hartman's Accident Liberty. Barbara Lynch who is the personal representative for the Estate of Rickie Hartman applied for the transfer of the Class "A" B&W On-Sale 7-Day License. The business is located at 312 South Main Street in Accident. Ms. Lynch was present for the hearing. Ms. Owston reviewed the license issuance procedures and regulations with Ms. Lynch who was previously the licensee for Cornerstone Market in Swanton. It was noted that all of the required estate paperwork was received for the business transfer. Commissioner Moe made a motion to approve the transfer of the Class "A" Beer & Wine Off-Sale 7-Day License. Commissioner Herman seconded the motion and unanimously approved by Chairperson Fratz.

A Street Festival License hearing was held at 10:00 AM on the application submitted by the Oakland Community Foundation, Inc. Margaret Jamison and Tracy Harvey are the applicants for the license. Margaret Jamison and event organizer Autumn Newcomb-Shay attended the hearing. The Street Festival License will be used for a wine walk during the annual Oakland Winterfest event on February 16, 2019. The event will be held throughout the downtown Oakland Arts & Entertainment District from noon until 4:00 PM. They estimate approximately 250 people in attendance. Ms. Newcomb-Shay and Ms. Jamison discussed the details of the wine walk tasting event with the Board. The wine walk ticket cost will be \$10 for 12 1 oz. tastings. There will be six tasting locations with at least one server at each location with TIPS training. Ms. Owston and the Board mentioned their concerns for the event being conducted while some of the streets are open to vehicle traffic. The event organizers mentioned the precautions that will take place. They also stated that Alder Street would be closed to vehicles from Second Street to Third Street. Commissioner Moe made a motion to approve the Street Festival License. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Herman and unanimously approved by Chairperson Fratz.

The next regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, March 14, 2019.

There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Moe made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Michael J. Fratz
Chairperson

March 14, 2019
Date