

MINUTES

The Garrett County Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board held their monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 17, 2023. The meeting was conducted at 10:00 AM in the Garrett County Commissioners Public Meeting Room 209. Present at the meeting was Commissioner Lisa Herman, Commissioner David Moe, Administrator to the Board Deborah Owston, and Attorney to the Board, M. Elizabeth Georg.

Commissioner Moe called the meeting to order. The Board signed mileage sheets.

The Board approved the April 13, 2023 Minutes. Commissioner Herman made the motion to approve the Minutes. The motion was second by Commissioner Moe and unanimously approved.

There was general discussion before the hearings. Ms. Owston gave an update on the 2023 legislation and the Garrett County Alcoholic Beverages Act of 2023. The local bill passed and will go in to effect on July 1, 2023. As a result, Sunday hours will be expanded. Sunday hours will begin at 6:00 AM where permitted. The 23-24 renewals are still being collected. A few applications are still pending a release on their Business License from the State. Ms. Owston informed the Board of Comptroller holds on accounts during the COVID. She will finalize a list for the Board to review and consider potential late fees. Red Barn Events, LLC update on renovations from Permits Office and Fire Marshal. The U&O is ready to be issued. The max occupancy approved by the Fire Marshal is 299. Commissioner Herman made a motion to approve the lower level that was recently approved by the Fire Marshal. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moe and unanimously approved. Bloomington VFD held a fundraiser on April 29, 2023. GRMC held a fundraiser event on May 3, 2023 at the former Sipside Lounge. An administrative hearing was held April 18, 2023. Samantha Funding the Arts had an event May 5, 2023 at the AG Heritage Hall. An administrative hearing was held April 26, 2023. FOP Lodge #99 held a Gun & Cash Bash on May 6, 2023 at the Oakland VFD. Chamber of Commerce BAH event was on May 11, 2023 at CN Metals. Bittinger VFD held a fundraiser on May 13, 2023. An administrative hearing was held on May 2, 2023. Celtic Festival will be June 3, 2023. An administrative hearing was held May 4, 2023. Grantsville Lions Club will sell alcohol. Midway is still closed due to fire damage. The Board discussed the S&S Store building permit, construction status and license hearing. It was agreed that they would need to reapply when ready. Friendsville Public House is seeking approval for an outside ice cream truck serving ice cream with alcohol near the back deck. The Board had no objections as long as it is on the licensed premise and complies with Friendsville zoning. Wisp Resort is planning on a musical theatre performance at ASCI amphitheater. They will need to be licensed again. Town of Oakland will conduct the Kick Off to Summer Street Festival June 10, 2023. They would like to have several manufacturers attend the event. If they do, the Maryland craft manufacturers must file an Off-Site Permit with the State. Deep Creek Bar & Grill's two-week suspension began April 17, 2023 and ended May 2, 2023. Licensed premise areas were discussed. Businesses will receive a notice requesting a detailed description of serving areas.

A new license hearing was held at 10:20 AM for a Class B BDR Deluxe BWL On-Sale 7-Day License with Draft Beer Option in accordance with the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 21-903 and 21-1103. Applicants for the license are James D. Bailey, Autumn Newcomb-Shay

and Shirley D. Bailey. All three applicants were present for the hearing. The legal entity name is Stonecroft Manor, LLC. The trade name will be The Manor. The business is located at 830 Memorial Drive, Oakland, Maryland. Ms. Owston reviewed the license issuance procedures and regulations. A discussion took place about the licensed premise areas. The entire property with the exception of the carriage house will be licensed. Ms. Newcomb-Shay asked about the "wine doggy bag" allowance. Ms. Owston discussed AB 4-1103 Removal of partially consumed bottle of wine from a licensed premise. They plan to open the business in late June. Commissioner Herman made a motion to approve the Class B BDR Deluxe BWL On-Sale 7-Day License with Draft Beer Option pending the issuance of the Health Food Service Permit. The motion was second by Commissioner Moe and unanimously approved. The license will be issued upon receiving the outstanding administrative items and payment.

A transfer hearing was held at 10:40 AM for a Class D BWL Off-Sale 7-Day License with Delivery Option and BWL Tasting Option in accordance with the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 21-905 and § 4-302. Applicants for the license are Raymond D. Schurg and Rebecca A. Schurg. The legal entity name is Drinks, Inc. The trade name is McHenry Beverage Shoppe. The business is located at 24465 Garrett Highway, McHenry, Maryland. Mr. Schurg was present for the hearing. Ms. Owston reviewed the license issuance procedures and regulations. She noted that the Bulk Transfer Permit was not required from the State since the applicants were taking over the legal entity and associated accounts. Mr. Schurg informed the Board that the revised lease would be forthcoming. Commissioner Herman made a motion to approve the transfer of the Class D BWL Off-Sale 7-Day License with Delivery Option and BWL Tasting Option. The motion was second by Commissioner Moe and unanimously approved. The license was be issued upon receiving the transfer fee payment.

A transfer hearing was held at 11:00 AM for a Class A Beer Off-Sale 7-Day License in accordance with the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 21-601, 4 §-302 and 4 §-303 (1). Applicants for the license are Marshall Bishop, Howard Goodstein, and Joseph Bishop. The legal entity name is BFS Foods Inc. The trade name will be BFS Foods Inc. #46. The business is located at 24179 Garrett Highway, McHenry, Maryland. Howard Goodstein was present for the hearing. Ms. Owston reviewed the license issuance procedures and regulations. She noted that the transfer of the license from their Mt. Lake Park Store #31 was a result of the new ownership of the property that had been owned by the Southern States. It was noted that the license was a grandfathered license that was approved by the State to transfer to one of BFS Foods Inc's other locations in Garrett County. Commissioner Herman made a motion to approve the transfer of the Class A Beer Off-Sale 7-Day License. The motion was second by Commissioner Moe and unanimously approved. The license was issued upon receiving the transfer fee payment.

A new license hearing was held at 11:20 AM for a Class D Beer & Wine 7-Day License in accordance with the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 21-806. Applicants for the license are Lee R. Anderson and Christine R. Anderson. The legal entity name is OMG Relax, LLC. The trade name will be OMG Relax. The business is located at 1550 Deep Creek Drive, Suite E, McHenry, Maryland. Both applicants were present for the hearing. Ms. Owston reviewed the license issuance procedures and regulations. The Anderson's informed the Board that they had previously held an alcoholic beverage license in Montgomery County

for several years. They plan to sell wine in their gift shop and will possibly get a signature label from a Maryland Winery. Although the license allows on-premises consumption, they don't intend any on-premises consumption other than possible tastings. Commissioner Herman made a motion to approve Class D Beer & Wine 7-Day License. The motion was second by Commissioner Moe and unanimously approved. The license was issued upon payment.

A Beer & Wine Festival License hearing was held at 11:40 AM in accordance with the Alcoholic Beverages Article 21-1304.2. Applicants for the license are Lee R. Anderson and Christine R. Anderson of OMG Relax, LLC. The festival will benefit Camp Caring. The license will be used on Saturday, August 12, 2023. The Big Funky Blues event will be held at the Garrett County Fairgrounds located at 270 Mosser Road in McHenry, Maryland. Both applicants attended the hearing. Ms. Owston reviewed the license issuance procedures and regulations. The Anderson's informed the Board that they had previously conducted music festivals in Carroll County, Maryland and wanted to bring that type of family music festival to Garrett County. They provided detailed event plans to the Board. There will be several bands, artisans, food vendors and even a kid zone. Commissioner Herman made a motion to approve Beer & Wine Festival License to be used on August 12, 2023 at the Garrett County Fairgrounds. The motion was second by Commissioner Moe and unanimously approved. The license was issued upon payment

The next regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday, June 8, 2023.

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

Michael Fratz
Chairperson

June 8, 2023
Date