

MINUTES

The Garrett County Board of License Commissioners / Liquor Control Board held their monthly meeting on Friday, October 13, 2023. The meeting was conducted at 9:00 AM in the Garrett County Commissioners Public Meeting Room 209. Present at the meeting was Chairperson David Moe, Commissioner Lisa Herman, Commissioner Michael Fratz, and Administrator to the Board Deborah Owston. Attorney to the Board, M. Elizabeth Georg attended the meeting virtually.

Chairperson David Moe called the meeting to order. The Board signed mileage sheets. The Board approved the September 14, 2023 Minutes. Commissioner Herman made the motion to approve the Minutes. The motion was second by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved by Chairperson Moe.

There was general discussion before the hearings. Midway re-opened on September 22, 2023. Ms. Owston updated the Board on MoonShadow and the zoning regulations and concerns of the surrounding property owners. Ms. Owston and Agent David Marple did an inspection on September 21, 2023. A meeting concerning the business and surrounding properties was held on October 5, 2023 with Ms. Owston, Chad Fike of the Planning & Land Management Office, the owner of the property Lisa Jan and the general manager Jamie Evans. The Friendsville VFRD conducted a Gun Bash on October 6, 2023. The Oakland VFD will conduct a Gun & Cash Bash on November 11, 2023. The 206 Alder restaurant was licensed on October 3, 2023. They had a soft opening on October 7, 2023. The 2024 LCB meeting dates were determined. The January meeting will be on January 03, 2024 at noon. All other meetings will be held on the second Thursday at 10 AM. A question about the 9% alcohol tax was asked by a license holder. This is required to be listed on the receipt. A discussion took place about whether the Hav-A-Lot store was closed or had new fall hours. Ms. Owston said she would follow up with the license holders. A brief discussion took place about the proposed legislative requests. The Board had a discussion about New Year's Eve falling on Sunday, December 31, 2023. They voted to extend the Sunday hours past midnight in accordance with AB Article § 21-2007. Chairperson Moe made a motion to extend the hours until 2 AM on January 1, 2024. The motion was second by Chairperson Herman and unanimously approved by Commissioner Fratz. Ms. Owston said there were calls about the process to apply for new licenses for the former Rooster's Nest and Winner's Circle properties. The first round of compliance checks was conducted on September 17, 2023. Two businesses failed the compliance checks and will be scheduled for a violation show cause continuance hearing at the November or December meeting.

A transfer license hearing was held at 9:20 AM for the Class B BWL On-Sale 7-Day License with Draft Beer Option and Growler Option issued to The Long Branch Saloon. The license will be transferred and then upgraded to a Class B BDR Deluxe BWL On-Sale 7-Day License with Draft Beer Option and Growler Option in accordance with the Alcoholic Beverages Article § 4-302, § 21-903 and § 21-1103. Applicants for the license are Stephanie Kehoe with 20% ownership and Joseph Kehoe with 80% ownership. The legal entity name is Riverside Grille, LLC. The trade name is Riverside Grille. The business is located at 1527 Maryland Highway in Mt. Lake Park, Maryland. Both applicants were present for the hearing. The applicants informed the Board of their renovation plans for the restaurant and adjacent

motel on the property. They mentioned future plans for a new deck, some small outdoor festivals, and other events. They also informed the Board of their other business in Hagerstown with an alcoholic beverage license. Ms. Owston reviewed the rules and regulations. Commissioner Herman made the motion to approve the license transfer and upgrade to a Class B BDR Deluxe BWL On-Sale 7-Day License with Draft Beer Option and Growler Option pending the outstanding administrative items. The motion was second by Commissioner Fratz and unanimously approved by Chairperson Moe. The license will be issued upon receiving the transfer fee and upgrade fees as well as a copy of the Health Permit, Business Restaurant License, Fire Marshal approval and copy of Worker's Compensation Policy.

The next regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners is scheduled for Thursday November 9, 2023.

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

David Moe
Chairperson

November 9, 2023
Date