

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

MEETING MINUTES

May 6, 2020

Due to restrictions regarding COVID 19, this hearing took place via teleconference. Anyone wishing to listen to or participate in the meeting was provided the below call-in information.

Call-in number is United States: +1 (408) 650-3123
Access Code 159-061-005

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Chair Tilley. In attendance were Vice Chair Davis Kohl, Commissioners Merchant, Welch, and Majewski along with Board Counsel Amy K. Finneran and General Manager Scott Baker.

MINUTES

Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the minutes of April 8 and April 15, 2020, with all members voting in favor of the motion.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the accounts payable with all members voting in favor of the motion.

Harford Bank	Withholding	2788.10
Comptroller	Withholding	865.09
Payroll	Payroll	6799.33
It's PayDay	Accounting	78.40
State Retirement	Retirement	691.92
Kopin LLC	Rent	2539.00
Self Storage Plus	Rent	109.00
WEX Bank	Gasoline	37.77

All parties that would be testifying were sworn in.

PERSONS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD

1) WGAS, L.L.C. T/A Double Groove Brewing Company – Renovations

Mark Moody, Lisa Moody, and Craig Willig, Members, WGAS, L.L.C. T/A Double Groove Brewing Company, 1659-D Robin Circle Drive, Forest Hill, have submitted renovation plans for this Class DBR-On Sale Only License. License holders presented their plans for renovations that will double the current 45 seats, however, due to social distancing seating capacity will remain at 45 seats. Renovations are expected to begin June 1st and take approximately five weeks. License holders will provide an update midway through construction and will notify the Board once the renovations are complete. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the renovation plans with all members voting in favor of the motion.

2) Backfin Blues Group, Inc. T/A Backfin Blues Creole de Graw – Supplemental Application

Robert Steele, Jr., President, Katelin Steele, Vice President, Backfin Blues Group, Inc. T/A Backfin Blues Creole de Graw, 400 N. Union Avenue, Havre de Grace have submitted a Supplemental Application for this Class B-BWL-On Sale Only License. The purpose of the application is to remove Gretchen Aurand and replace her with Katelin Steele. Interest in the corporation is held as follows: Robert Steele, Jr., 45%; James Russell, 45%, Katelin Steele, 10%. Ms. Steele will be the Responsible Operator once she passes the LiveScan and the licensee test. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the application contingent on submission of the original Application,

\$145 in fees, Ms. Steele passing the licensee test and Livescan. All members voted in favor of the motion.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1) Backfin Blues Group, Inc. T/A Backfin Blues Creole de Graw – Outside Event Application
Backfin Blues Group, Inc. T/A Backfin Blues Creole de Graw has submitted an Outside Event Application to be used for the Havre de Grace First Friday events on June 5, July 3, August 7, September 4, and October 2. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the application with all members voting in favor of the motion.

2) 5:31, Inc. T/A Laurrapin's River City Public House – Outside Event Application
5:31, Inc. T/A Laurrapin's River City Public House has submitted an Outside Event Application to be used for the Havre de Grace First Friday events on June 5, July 3, August 7, September 4, and October 2. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the application with all members voting in favor of the motion.

3) Uncle's Hawaiian Grindz, L.L.C. T/A Uncle's Hawaiian Grindz – Wine Corkage Permit
Uncle's Hawaiian Grindz, L.L.C. T/A Uncle's Hawaiian Grindz has submitted a Wine Corkage Permit which was unanimously approved by the Board.

RENEWALS TO BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD

131 renewal applications were unanimously approved. 73 renewal applications were held due to outstanding issues. See lists attached.

PER DIEMS TO BE APPROVED

1) Bel Air Downtown Alliance – First Friday events – June 5, July 3, August 7, September 4, and October 2

Issued to	Jenny Falcone and Jennifer Anglada
On Behalf of	Bel Air Downtown Alliance
Type of Event	First Fridays
Date(s) of Event	June 5, July 3, August 7, September 4, October 2
Location Description & Address	Black-Eyed Suzie’s parking lot - corner of Main St. and Churchville Road, Bel Air
Outside Event?	Yes
Rain Date	N/A

Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the application with all members voting in favor of the motion.

STAFF REPORT / PUBLIC COMMENT / BOARD COMMENT

The pre-audit budget was presented with 97% being expended through this fiscal year. The IT maintenance agreement was discussed.

Future meetings will be held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Minutes from the Harford County Liquor Control Board Meeting on May 6, 2020, have been reviewed and approved by the following:

Walter A. Tilley III, Chair

James E. Welch, Commissioner

Sheryl Davis Kohl, Vice Chair

Frederic L. Merchant, Commissioner

Paul J. Majewski II, Commissioner