

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

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**MEETING MINUTES**  
October 7, 2020

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**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 for September 9; the vote was unanimous.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Harford Bank	Withholding	3042.72
Comptroller of Maryland	Withholding	932.15
Payroll	Payroll	8032.13
It's PayDay	Accounting	78.40
State Retirement	Retirement	238.45
State Retirement	Retirement	686.09
Baltimore Sun	Prof books	3.96
Kopin LLC	Rent	2590.00
Self Storage Plus	Rent	118.00
Crystal Springs	Supplies	3.99
First Bankcard	Supplies	116.00
Amy Finneran	Legal	1500.00

All parties that would be testifying were sworn in.

**PERSONS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR**

1) EGM Enterprises, L.L.C., T/A JD's Smokehouse – Supplemental Application

Ann Marie Friedenborg, Member, Joseph Wieteha, Member, EGM Enterprises, L.L.C., T/A JD's Smokehouse, 2235 E. Churchville Road, Bel Air, MD 21015 were present along with their attorney, Joseph F. Snee, Jr., in connection with a Supplemental Application for this Class B-BW On/Off – Liquor On Sale Only License. The purpose of the application is to add Joseph Wieteha to the license as the Responsible Operator. Anne Marie Friedenborg holds 90% interest in the L.L.C. and Mr. Wieteha holds 10%. He has taken and passed the licensee test. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve this application; the vote was unanimous.

2) 5:31, Inc., T/A Laurrapin's River City Public House – Change in Class

Bruce Clarke, 5:31, Inc., T/A Laurrapin's River City Public House, 209 N. Washington Street, Havre de Grace, MD 21078 was present in connection with an Application for Change in License Class from a B1-BW- On Sale Only to a B-BWL-On Sale Only license. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve this application; the vote was unanimous.

3) Aberdeen Rose, Inc., T/A Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar – Change of Officers Transfer (POSTPONED)

This hearing is postponed and will be scheduled for a future date.

**SHOW CAUSE HEARING**

1) Bel Air Billiards, L.L.C. T/A Route 24 Ale House – Underage Bartender

Mark Jason Davis, Member, Vida Davis, Member, Bel Air Billiards, L.L.C. T/A Route 24 Ale House, 2A Bel Air South Parkway, Bel Air, MD 21015 were present in connection with a show cause hearing indicating violation of:

- (1) Did employ an individual under the age of 21 years, who was not the son or daughter of the owner of the licensed premises, to act as a bartender or serve alcoholic beverages at a permanent full service bar in violation of the Alcoholic Beverage Article (AB) § 22-1902 of the Annotated Code of Maryland ("Code") and Board Rule 4:16. It is alleged the violation occurred on August 22, 2020.

Subsequent to the Hearing, the Board considered all the evidence presented. Based upon the statement of facts (*i.e.* the written report of Board Inspector William Colburn), as well as applicable License Holder testimony, and with further consideration to License Holder relevant past record (if any), the Board determined the following:

Motion was made and duly seconded to find License Holder in violation of the Alcoholic Beverage Article (AB) § 22-1902 of the Annotated Code of Maryland ("Code") and Board Rule 4:16 (Did employ an individual under the age of 21 years, who was not the son or daughter of the owner of the licensed premises, to act as a bartender or serve alcoholic beverages at a permanent full service bar).

Motion was made and duly seconded to impose a fine of \$250.00 for the above violation; the vote was unanimous.

**ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

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

Backfin Blues Group, Inc., T/A Backfin Blues Creole de Graw, 400 N. Union Avenue, Havre de Grace, MD 21078, has submitted a Supplemental Application for this B-BWL-On Sale Only license. The purpose of the application is to remove James D. Russell from the license. Remaining on the license are Robert T. Steele, Jr., holding 90% interest and Katelin Steele holding 10% and serves as the Responsible Operator. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

2) Saiamba, Inc., T/A Cliff's Liquors – Retail Delivery and Growler Permits

Saiamba, Inc., T/A Cliff's Cut-Rate Liquors, 4725 Conowingo Road, Darlington, MD 21034 has submitted a request for retail delivery. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve this request; the vote was unanimous. Saiamba, Inc. has also submitted a Growler Permits Application. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve this application; the vote was unanimous.

3) La Cucina, Inc. T/A La Cucina Restaurant – Change in Hours

La Cucina, Inc/ T/A La Cucina Restaurant, 103 N. Washington St., Havre de Grace, MD 21078, has submitted notice that the restaurant will be closed on Tuesdays through the end of October.

**PER DIEM BEER & WINE LICENSES TO BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD**

1) St. Mark Catholic Church – Oktoberfest – 10/24/2020

Issued to Julie Tomko and Juanita Cain  
On Behalf of St. Mark Catholic Church  
Type of Event Oktoberfest  
Date(s) of Event 10/24/2020  
Location Description & Address St. Mark Catholic Church,  
2407 Laurel Brook Road, Fallston  
Outside Event? Yes  
Rain Date 11/07/2020

**PERFORMANCE BUDGET**

September 2020 performance budget was presented and is on track with 37% being spent through the past five months.

**STAFF REPORT / BOARD REPORT / PUBLIC COMMENT**

One renewal application remains outstanding even with a September 15<sup>th</sup> submittal deadline. This license holder has been given a deadline of Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, to submit the renewal application and all fees.

Judi from Delegate Riley's office has requested that one bill be drafted by October 28. Fee increases were suggested for Class A licenses only and would not take effect until 2022.

Mr. Baker will contact the AG's office regarding a timeline for a response to the residency requirement.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

Minutes from the Harford County Liquor Control Board Meeting on October 7, 2020, have been reviewed and approved by the following:

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Walter A. Tilley III, Chair

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James E. Welch, Commissioner

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Sheryl Davis Kohl, Vice Chair

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Frederic L. Merchant, Commissioner

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Paul J. Majewski II, Commissioner