BOARD MEETING MINUTES September 22, 2021

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Chair Tilley. In attendance were Commissioners Merchant, Welch, and Burdette along with Board Counsel Amy K. Finneran and Judith Powell. Vice Chair Majewski was excused.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Harford Bank	Withholding	1949.74
Comptroller of MD	Withholding	586.77
Payroll	Payroll	4968.52
lt's PayDay	Accounting	70.00
MD State Retirement	Withholding	489.55
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Malissa Roche	Maintenance	60.00
Metro Data	Maintenance	664.00
Board of Directors Account		
Johns Hopkins University	Gift	125.00

PERSONS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD

1) First-Time Applicants - Citizens for Bob Cassilly - Per Diem Beer & Wine License

First-time applicants Bob Cassilly and Deborah Cassilly appeared on behalf of Citizens for Bob Cassilly in connection with a per diem beer and wine application for an event scheduled for September 30 being held at Simply Grande Home Furnishings for a campaign fundraiser. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

2) <u>BH Brightview Avondell Opco, L.L.C., T/A Brightview Avondell – New License Hearing (**POSTPONED**) This hearing has been postponed due to outstanding issues with the Health Department.</u>

3) <u>Ananta Liquor, Inc., T/A Carsin's Run Liquors – Transfer Application</u>

Kalpesh Patel, President, Sunil Patel, Vice President, Ananta Liquor, Inc., T/A Carsin's Run Liquors, 3501 Churchville Road, Apt. A, Aberdeen, MD appeared along with their attorney Frank Boozer, Jr., in connection with a Transfer Application for this Class A1-BWL-Off Sale Only License. The purpose of the Application is to add Sunil Patel to the license. Sunil Patel will hold 50% interest in the corporation and Kalpesh Patel will retain 50% interest and will continue to serve as the Responsible Operator. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

4) Chile Enterprises, Inc., T/A La Tolteca (Aberdeen) – Supplemental Application

David Carrillo, President/Treasurer, Carrie Hernandez, Secretary, Chile Enterprises, Inc., T/A La Tolteca, 984 Hospitality Way, Aberdeen, MD appeared in connection with a Supplemental Application for this Class B – BWL – On Sale Only License. The purpose of the application is to add Carrie Hernandez to the license. Interest in the corporation will be held as follows: Carrie Hernandez, 10%. David Carrillo, 10%, DaveSillos Holding, L.L.C., 80%. Ms. Hernandez has passed the licensee test and will be the Responsible Operator. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

SHOW CAUSE HEARING

1) <u>Sempre Avanti, Inc. T/A Liberatore's Ristorante & Catering – Alcohol Awareness Violation</u> Domenico Ferrara, President, Sempre Avanti, Inc., 562 Baltimore Pike, Bel Air, MD, was present along with Italo Liberatore, Manager, in connection with a show cause hearing indicating violation of:

i. Failure to have a licensee or designated supervisor certified by a state-approved alcohol awareness program on the licensed premises during the hours in which alcoholic beverages may be sold, in violation of Alcoholic Beverages Article (AB) § 22-1903 and Board Rule 3:14.

The violation is alleged to have occurred on July 27, 2021. A fine choice letter was issued, and License Holders requested a hearing.

Subsequent to the Hearing, the Board considered all the evidence presented. Based upon the statement of facts (<u>i.e.</u> the written report of Board Inspector William Colburn), as well as applicable License Holder testimony, and with further consideration to License Holder's relevant past record (if any) motion was made and duly seconded to find License Holders **in violation** of Alcoholic Beverages Article (AB) § 22-1903 and Board Rule 3:14 - Failure to have a licensee or designated supervisor certified by a state-approved alcohol awareness program on the licensed premises during the hours in which alcoholic beverages may be sold. Motion was made and duly seconded to fine License Holders \$100.00; the vote was unanimous.

License Holders Cathy Galasso, Secretary, and Donna Liberatore, Treasurer, were not present at the hearing and the Board chose not to issue a fine for failing to appear. The Board requested that the fine choice letter be revised to reflect that all license holders must appear at the show cause hearing.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1) <u>Beards Hill Plaza Liquors, Ltd. T/A Beards Hill Plaza Liquors – Resignation of Responsible Operator</u> Joseph F. Snee, Jr., has submitted notice that the Responsible Operator at Beards Hill Plaza Liquors, Ltd., has submitted his resignation. As soon as a replacement has been identified an application will be submitted.

2) Fines Paid

Fines were paid by the following License Holders: Umiya, Corp. T/A P & G Mini Mart \$100 (Alcohol Awareness); Fortunato Brothers of Woodbridge, Inc. T/A Fortunato's Brothers of Woodbridge \$1500 (compliance test – three violations); GT Bel Air, L.L.C. T/A The Greene Turtle \$1000 (compliance test – sale to underage).

3) Friends of Patrick Vincente – Request to Change Location on a Per Diem License

Previously, the Board approved a Per Diem Beer & Wine license for Friends of Patrick Vincente. Due to an inclement weather forecast for the outside event, a request has been made for change of venue to Level Volunteer Fire Co. Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the request for change of venue; the vote was unanimous.

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

1) St. Margaret School - F	Fall Festival - 09/24 & 09/25
Issued to	Deanna Townsley and Cecilia Pleiss
On Behalf of	St. Margaret School
Type of Event	Fall Festival
Date(s) of Event	September 24 and 25
Location Description &	St. Margaret School gym and parking lot
Address	205 Hickory Avenue, Bel Air
Outside Event?	Yes
Rain Date	N/A
Matter	

Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

 Harford Land Trust – Belle Vue Celebration – 10/02 		
Issued to	Benjamin Lloyd and Kristin Kirkwood	
On Behalf of	Harford Land Trust	
Type of Event	Fundraising event	
Date(s) of Event	October 2	
Location Description &	Belle Vue Farm	
Address	415 Oakington Road, Havre de Grace	
Outside Event? Yes		
Rain Date	October 3	
Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.		

3) Aberdeen Chamber of Commerce – 5K Run and Motorcycle Rally – 10/3		
Issued to	Vickie Horne and Sandy Osborn	
On Behalf of	Aberdeen Chamber of Commerce	
Type of Event	5K run and motorcycle rally	
Date(s) of Event	October 3	
Location Description &	Festival Park	
Address 60 N. Parke Street, Aberdeen		
Outside Event?	Yes	
Rain Date	October 10	
Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.		

4) Bel Air Downtown Alliance – MD State BBQ Bash – 10/15 & 10/16		
Issued to	Jenny Falcone and Megan Gardner	
On Behalf of	Bel Air Downtown Alliance	
Type of Event	MD State BBQ Bash	
Date(s) of Event	October 15 and 16	
Location Description &	Mary Risteau parking lot	
Address Bond and Thomas Streets, Bel Air		
Outside Event?	Yes	
Rain Date	N/A	
Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.		

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

1) Ladew Topiary Gardens	– Art Show & Sale – 10/8 & 10/9
Issued to	Emily Emerick and Barbara Barnoff
On Behalf of	Ladew Topiary Gardens
Type of Event	Art Show and Sale
Date(s) of Event	October 8 and 9
Location Description &	Ladew Topiary Gardens
Address	3535 Jarrettsville Pike, Monkton
Outside Event?	Yes
Rain Date	N/A
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2) Ladew Topiary Gardens	<u>– Garden Glow – 10/21, 22, 23</u>
Issued to	Emily Emerick and Barbara Barnoff
On Behalf of	Ladew Topiary Gardens
Type of Event	Garden Glow
Date(s) of Event	October 21, 22, and 23
Location Description &	Ladew Topiary Gardens
Address	3535 Jarrettsville Pike, Monkton
Outside Event?	Yes
Rain Date	N/A
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STAFF REPORT / PUBLIC COMMENT / BOARD COMMENT

There were no comments.

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 September 22, 2021, have been reviewed and approved by the following:

Walter A. Tilley III, Chair

Frederic L. Merchant, Commissioner

James E. Welch, Commissioner

Susan Burdette, Commissioner