

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

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 15, 2021

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Harford Bank	Withholding	1775.98
Comptroller of MD	Withholding	501.19
Payroll	Payroll	4542.53
ConnectPay	Accounting	95.00
MD State Retirement	Withholding	489.55
Petty Cash	Petty Cash	207.22
Malissa Roche	Maintenance	60.00
Baltimore Sun	Advertising	813.50
TASC	Insurance	317.16
Comcast	Telephone	207.17
Kelly & Assoc.	Insurance	2487.73
MD Retirement	State Retirement	19,219.00
Metro Data	Maintenance	664.00
Proshred	Maintenance	50.00
Sprint	Telephone	199.77

PERSONS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD

1) Plaza Mexico of Bel Air, L.L.C., T/A Plaza Mexico – New License (Postponed)

This hearing has been postponed due to outstanding approvals.

2) Salute, Inc., T/A Lib's Grill – New License - Tentative Approval

Juan Liberatore, Vice President, Italo Liberatore, Secretary, Nicola Liberatore, Assistant Treasurer, Salute, Inc. T/A Lib's Grill, 1204 Agora Drive, Suite E, Bel Air, MD 21014 appeared along with their attorney, Joseph F. Snee, Jr., in connection with tentative approval of an Application for a new Class BNR-BWL-On Sale Only License. Stock ownership in the corporation will be held as follows: Nicola Liberatore, Juan Liberatore, Italo Liberatore, Jose Liberatore, and Dante Liberatore each own 18%, and Cosimo Savino and Michael Galasso each own 5% of the stock. Nicola Liberatore will serve as the Responsible Operator and has taken and passed the licensee test. Outstanding items that would be required to be submitted prior to the final approval hearing include the balance of invoices totaling \$139,731 for new kitchen equipment and dining room facilities as required for a BNR license, corrections to the application, workers comp certificate of insurance, Health Department and Fire Marshal approval and a Certificate of Occupancy. An Outside Service Area Application and a Wine Permit Application have been submitted for approval. Motion was made to issue tentative approval and was seconded; the vote was unanimous.

3) JVille Foodies, L.L.C. T/A JVille Grille – Transfer

Ryan B. Cooper, Member, Brandon H. Phaneuf, Member. JVille Foodies, L.L.C., T/a JVille Grille, 3701 Federal Hill Road, Jarrettsville, MD appeared along with their attorney, Tyler J. Nowicki, in connection with an Application for Transfer of a Class B-BWL-On Sale Only License transferring from Daniel P. Santoro, Member, Old Line Pub, L.L.C., T/A J'Ville Gille. Membership interest in the L.L.C. is 50% for Mr. Cooper and 50% for Mr. Phaneuf. Ryan Cooper will serve as the Responsible Operator and has taken and passed the licensee test. Outstanding items include the signed Statement of the Property Owner page that is missing from the Application and proof of settlement on the sale of the business. Motion was made and was

seconded to approve the Transfer Application contingent on receipt of the properly executed Property Owner Statement and proof of settlement; the vote was unanimous.

4) OSA Foods, Inc., T/A All American Steak House – New License (Postponed)

This hearing has been postponed and will be rescheduled.

5) Hickory Lodge, L.L.C., T/A Hickory Lodge – Change of Officers Transfer (Postponed)

This hearing has been postponed and will be rescheduled.

SHOW CAUSE HEARINGS – Sale to Underage

1) Mint 1, Inc. T/A The Mint Room (Postponed)

At the request of license holders' attorney, Joseph F. Snee, Jr., this hearing has been postponed and will be rescheduled.

2) P.J.C., Inc. T/A Ice House Liquors

Kristin Canavan, Vice President / Treasurer, P.J.C., Inc. T/A Ice House Liquors, 758 West Bel Air Avenue, Aberdeen, Maryland 21001, appeared in proper person in connection with a show cause hearing indicating violation of:

- 1) Sale and/or provision of alcoholic beverages to an individual under the legal drinking age of twenty-one (21) years in violation of Alcoholic Beverage Article (AB) § 6-304 of the Annotated Code of Maryland ("Code") and Board Rule 4:01.

The violation is alleged to have occurred on October 27, 2021.

License holder Bonnie Canavan, President/Secretary, was excused from appearing.

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's relevant past record (if any) motion was made and duly seconded to find License Holder in violation of Alcoholic Beverages Article (AB) § 6-304 and Board Rule 4:01 - Sale and/or provision of alcoholic beverages to an individual under the legal drinking age of twenty-one (21) years); the vote was unanimous. Motion was made and duly seconded to issue a fine in the amount of \$2,000.00.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1) Fines Paid

Sale to Underage – K.J.S.S., Inc. T/A Grumpy's Bar & Grille (\$2000); Kohler Food & Beverage, Inc. T/A Pairings Bistro (\$1000)

Alcohol Awareness - Fallston VCH, L.L.C. T/A Vince's Crab House & Seafood Restaurant (\$500); Acappella, L.L.C. T/A Acappella Italian Restaurant (\$100)

PER DIEM LICENSES TO BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD

1) Havre de Grace Arts Collective

a. Beer & Wine

Per Diem Beer & Wine Licenses were issued to William Price and Rebecca Jessop on behalf of the Havre de Grace Arts Collective for the following events and dates:

- i. 01/06/2022 Thirsty Thursday with Theatre
- ii. 01/08/2022 Carl Filipiak & the Jimi Jazz Band
- iii. 01/28/2022 Sean Heely concert
- iv. 01/29/2022 Irish Blessing concert
- v. 01/30/2022 Cormorant's Fancy concert

Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the above per diem beer and wine license applications; the vote was unanimous.

b. Beer, Wine & Liquor

A Per Diem Beer, Wine & Liquor License was issued to William Price and Rebecca Jessop on behalf of the Havre de Grace Arts Collective for the following event and date:

- i. 01/22/2022 Whiskey Galore film

Motion was made and duly seconded to approve the above per diem beer, wine and liquor license application; the vote was unanimous.

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 December 15, 2021, have been reviewed and approved by the following:

Walter A. Tilley III, Chair

Frederic L. Merchant, Commissioner

Paul J. Majewski, II, Vice Chair

James E. Welch, Commissioner