

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

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 17, 2025

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Liquor Control Board for Harford County was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Goddard at the Board's office. In attendance were Vice Chair Majewski, Commissioners Sines, Walters, and Miller, GM Crabbs, and Board Counsel Finneran.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Motion was made by Commissioner Miller and was seconded to pay the following bills; the vote was unanimous.

U.S. Treasurer (9/3 & 9/17 payroll)	Withholding	6296.02
MD Comptroller (9/3 & 9/17 payroll)	Withholding	1619.65
ConnectPay (9/3 & 9/17 payroll)	Accounting	215.00
Payroll (9/3 and 9/17 payroll)	Payroll	16308.58
Maryland State Retirement (9/3 & 9/17)	Retirement	1179.44
LEAF	Copier lease	615.00
First BankCard	Office	766.33
First BankCard	Gas & Vehicle	315.13
First BankCard	Gas & Vehicle	89.00
Amy Finneran	Legal	4727.70
Baltimore Sun Media	Advertising	524.80
Interconnect Service	Telephone	135.75
Metro Data	Computer	664.00
Modus Solution	Office	60.17
SB & Company, LLC	Accounting	13700.00
Petty Cash	Office & Maintenance	268.32
MD Center for the Arts	Refund per diem	15.00

PERSONS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE BOARD

1) Kohler Food & Beverage, Inc. T/A Pairings Bistro – Catered Events / The Ramble Festival

Jon Kohler, President, Kohler Food & Beverage, Inc. T/A Pairings Bistro appeared in connection with an Outside Event Application to be used on October 10, 11, and 12 at Camp Ramblewood for the Ramble Festival. Mr. Kohler addressed plans to control and contain the alcohol at the event. Motion was made by Vice Chair Majewski and was seconded to approve the application including the use of "hawkers" for beer, wine and liquor; the vote was unanimous.

2) First-Time Applicant – Abingdon Fire Co. – 10/12 BWL

First-time applicant Amanda Bertram appeared as a first-time applicant on behalf of Abingdon Fire Company for a Ravens watch party to be held on October 12 at Friendship Park. Commissioner Sines disclosed that he is a member of the fire company and is a friend of Ms. Bertram. Motion was made by Commissioner Walters and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

3) First-Time Applicant Ladew Topiary Gardens – 09/19 BWL

First-time applicant Erin Lyons appeared on behalf of Ladew Topiary Gardens for the art show to be held on September 19. Motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

4) First Time Applicants & Event- Community Projects of Havre de Grace / HDG in Bloom - 09/27 BWL

First-time applicants Julie Ruhnke and Theresa Ray appeared on behalf of Community Projects of Havre de Grace / HDG in Bloom for the Extreme Boat Docking & Riverfront event being held at the Lock House Museum on September 27. Motion was made by Commissioner Miller and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

5) First-Time Applicant & Event- Community Projects of Havre de Grace / HDG Arts Collective - 09/27 B&W

First-time applicant Katie Noe appeared on behalf of Community Projects of Havre de Grace / HDG Arts Collective in connection with the Riverfront Festival being held on September 27 at Concord Point Park. Motion was made by Vice Chair Majewski and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

6) First Time Applicants - Live. Give. Run. Foundation - 09/20 BWL

First-time applicants William Murdoch and Eli Kutcherawy appeared on behalf of Live. Give. Run. Foundation for their running event being held on September 20 in Havre de Grace. Motion was made by Commissioner Walters and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

7) First-Time Applicants - Darlington Volunteer Fire Co. - 10/04 BWL

First-Time Applicants Joshua Devore and Robert Patrylak appeared on behalf of Darlington Volunteer Fire Co. for their Bingo with the Boyz event to be held on October 4 at the fire hall. Motion was made by Commissioner Miller and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

8) Jai Hanuman, L.L.C. T/A Thirsty Spirits - Transfer License

Nirav Patel, Member, Jai Hanuman, L.L.C. T/A Thirsty Spirits, 2410 Old Mountain Road, Joppatowne, appeared along with their attorney Joseph F. Snee, Jr., in connection with a License Transfer Application for a Class A1-BWL-Off Sale Only License transferring from Piyush and Smita Patel, Radha-Kishan Acquisition, L.L.C. T/A Mountain Road Deli & Spirits. Nirav Patel holds 100% interest in the L.L.C. and will serve as the Responsible Operator. Motion was made by Vice Chair Majewski and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous. Retail Delivery application was also submitted. Motion was made by Vice Chair Majewski to approve the Retail Delivery application and was seconded; the vote was unanimous. A license was not prepared for signature as settlement is not scheduled for several weeks.

9) XGMD, L.L.C. T/A X-Golf Bel Air - Change in License Class

Michael Murphy, Member, XGMD, L.L.C. T/A X-Golf Bel Air, 5 Bel Air S. Parkway, Suite 1425, Bel Air, appeared along with their attorney Tyler J. Nowicki in connection with an Application for Change in License Class. X-Golf Bel Air currently holds a Class B1-BW-On Sale Only License and has requested a change in class to a GSF License (golf simulator license). Justin Bongiorno, Member, and Matthew Remsnyder, Member, were not present. Interest in the L.L.C. will be held as follows: Matthew Remsnyder, 40%, Justin Bongiorno, 41%, and Michael Murphy, 19%. Matthew Remsnyder will serve as the Responsible Operator. Motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous. A license dated September 19 was prepared and signed by Chair Goddard.

10) Watchtower Brewing, L.L.C. T/A Watchtower Brewing Company - New License

This has been postponed and will be rescheduled for a future date.

11) Pock Enterprises, L.L.C. T/A Kooper's Saloon - New License

This has been postponed and will be rescheduled for a future date.

PER DIEM LICENSES TO BE APPROVED

1) St. Margaret School - Fall Festival - 09/19 and 09/20 BWL

Issued to Alicia Hagerman and Gail Rohleder on behalf of St. Margaret School for the Fall Festival being held on September 19 and 20. Motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

2) St. Mark Fallston - Oktoberfest - 09/20 B&W

Issued to Julie Tomko and Mark Tomko on behalf of St. Mark Church for their Oktoberfest event being held on September 20 on the church grounds. Motion was made by Commissioner Walters and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

3) St. Mary of the Assumption - Bingo - 10/04 B&W

Issued to Mike Schleupner and Fr. John Rapisarda for their Bingo event being held on October 4. Motion was made by Commissioner Miller and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

4) SARC - Bubbles, Bourbon & Barrels Cocktail Event - 10/09 BWL

Issued to Allison Heiderman and Erin Flynn on behalf of SARC for their Bubbles, Bourbon & Barrels Cocktail Event being held at Rockfield Manor on October 9. Motion was made by Vice Chair Majewski and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

5) Level Fire Company - Bull & Shrimp Roast - 10/11 B&W

Issued to Karen Lopes and Sandra Gullion on behalf of Level Fire Company for their Bull & Shrimp Roast being held on October 11. Motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

6) Church of the Resurrection Copley Parish - 7th Annual Historic Fall Festival - 10/11 B&W

Issued to Ronald Meyer and Cecelia Russo on behalf of Church of the Resurrection Copley Parish for their 7th Annual Historic Fall Festival to be held on October 11 on the church grounds.

SHOW CAUSE HEARING

1) Ziller, L.L.C. T/A Abbey Burer Havre de Grace

Marigot Miller, Managing Member, Harry Miller, Managing Member, Tracy McCoy Soper, Member, Ziller, L.L.C. T/A Abbey Burer Havre de Grace, 226 N. Washington Street, Havre de Grace, appeared along with their attorney, Stephan W. Fogleman, in connection with violation of the following:

- 1) Failure of the license holder to operate the licensed premises in such a manner as to avoid disturbing the peace, health, safety, and welfare of the community in violation of Board Rule 3:10 (a) and AB §4-604 (a);
- 2) Failure of the license holder or employee of a license holder to be sober, in order to be able to properly determine the amount of alcohol to be sold and consumed by the public in violation of Board Rule 4:04;
- 3) The license holder directly or indirectly allowed the possession, use, transfer, or dispensing of any illegal, controlled, dangerous, or narcotic substance on the license premises in violation of Board Rule 4:20; and
- 4) The license holder directly or indirectly committed or allowed the commission on the licensed premises acts which are:
 1. Contrary to any applicable federal, state, or local, statute, law, or ordinance; or
 2. Against the public peace, safety, health, welfare, quiet, or morals, in violation of Board Rule 4:24 (a) and AB §4-604 (a).

The Violations occurred on January 30, 2025.

Following extensive testimony, motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to convene to executive session pursuant to the General Provisions Art. § 3-305(b)(7) to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice; the vote was unanimous.

Subsequent to the hearing, the Board considered all the evidence presented. Based upon the statement of facts (i.e., the written report of Chief Inspector Daniel Buchler), as well as applicable testimony from Detective Aaron Sandruck, License Holder's testimony, and with further consideration to License Holder's relevant past record (if any), the Board made the these findings following the executive session:

On Charge 1, motion was made by Vice Chair Majewski and was seconded to find License Holder in violation; the vote was unanimous. Motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to impose a fine in the amount of \$2,000.00; the vote was unanimous.

On Charge 2, motion was made by Vice Chair Majewski and was seconded to find License Holder in violation; the vote was unanimous. Motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to impose a fine in the amount of \$2,000.00; the vote was unanimous.

On Charge 3, motion was made by Vice Chair Majewski and was seconded by Commissioner Walters to find License Holder in violation; the vote was unanimous. Motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded by Commissioner Walters to revoke the alcoholic beverages license; the vote was unanimous.

On Charge 4, motion was made by Vice Chair Majewski and was seconded to find License Holder in violation; the vote was unanimous. Motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to impose a fine in the amount of \$2,000.00; the vote was unanimous.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1) American Legion 182, Inc. T/A Slate Ridge Post 182 – Supplemental Application

American Legion 182, Inc. has submitted a Supplemental Application as a result of club elections held in June. Timothy Stevens, Sgt.-At-Arms, will replace Robert Kranz, 1st Vice Commander. Robert McFadden, Commander, and Scott Virden, Judge Advocate, will remain on the license. Motion was made by Commissioner Miller and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

2) Saucey Enterprises, L.L.C. T/A Das Bierhalle – Outside Event Application

Saucey Enterprises, L.L.C. has submitted an Outside Event Application to be used on September 20 for the 3rd Annual Blocktoberfest to be used on the adjoining "tire lot". Motion was made by Vice Chair Majewski and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

3) Harbor Wine & Spirits, L.L.C. T/A Harford Wine & Spirits – Outside Event Application

Harbor Wine & Spirits, L.L.C. has submitted an Outside Event Application to be used on October 4 for their Customer Appreciation Day. Motion was made by Commissioner Walters and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

4) Ananta Liquor, Inc. T/A Carsin's Run Liquors – Outside Event Application

Ananta Liquor, Inc. has submitted an Outside Event Application to be used on September 20 for their Customer Appreciation Day. Motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

5) V.F.W. Post 10028, Inc. T/A Aberdeen Memorial Post – Outside Event Application

V.F.W. Post 10028, Inc. has submitted an Outside Event Application to be used on September 20 for an end of summer community mixer. Motion was made by Commissioner Miller and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

6) Harford Community College – Request for Additional Licensed Areas

The College will reopen the Chesapeake Center – now called the Chesapeake Welcome Center - in November and has requested additional alcohol service areas be added to their license, including the conference center, first floor lobby area, stage, green room, room 281 and the gallery. Room 281 is a costume support room and may be used for small receptions. Vice Chair Majewski disclosed that he is on the college foundation's Board. Motion was made by Commissioner Sines and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

7) WGAS, L.L.C. T/A Double Groove Brewing Company – Renovation Plan

WGAS, L.L.C. has submitted a renovation plan indicating expansion of the premises by removal of a wall to the left of the bar.

8) Virk Brothers MD, L.L.C. T/A Greenbrier Wine & Spirits - Request for Delivery

Virk Brothers MD, L.L.C. has submitted a request to make retail deliveries. Motion was made by Vice Chair Majewski and was seconded to approve the application; the vote was unanimous.

9) The Island at Flying Point Marina, L.L.C. T/A The Island at Flying Point Marina – Season Closing

The Island at Flying Point Marina has submitted notice that their season will close October 5.

10) August Performance Budget

The August performance budget was reviewed.

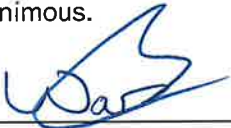
11) Harford County Executive Office – Salary Approval

Motion was made by Vice Chair Majewski and was seconded to include the 3% raise in the next payroll period; the vote was unanimous.

STAFF REPORT / PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

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



Wayne S. Goddard, Chair



Mary Sporre, Secretary