# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS OF CECIL COUNTY

The Board of License Commissioners of Cecil County met in a regular session at the County Administrative Building, Conference Room, 200 Chesapeake Boulevard, Elk Room, Elkton, MD on **Wednesday**, **April 27**, **2016** at 9:15 A.M.

**PRESENT:** Tim Snelling, Chairman

Herrel "Cuz" Curry, Commissioner Reid Cameron, Commissioner H. Norman Wilson, Jr., Esquire

Earl R. Bradford, Chief Alcohol Beverage Inspector

Robin Trader, Administrative Assistant

## **UPDATE**

Class "B" BWL No. B-167 - Barbara Ann McGuirk-Millar, Managing Member; Ellen H. Cochrane, Resident Agent; Pleasant Farms at Worsell Manor, LC, T/A **Worsell Manor**, 555 Worsell Manor Road, Warwick, MD 21912

Scott Millar appeared before the Board; he stated they are not much further along the permitting process than they were when he was last here. Mr. Millar requested an extension; the original transfer was approved on April 29, 2015, therefore the Board may only grant an additional six months. Commissioner Cameron made a motion to approve a six-month extension; Commissioner Curry seconded that motion and the Board unanimously approved the six-month extension.

## **UPDATE AND CHANGE OF TRADE NAME**

Class "B:" BWL No. B-18 - Michael James Downes, Sassafras Inn, Inc. T/A **Sassafras Inn**, 2 Sassafras Road, Warwick, MD 21912

Michael Downes appeared before the Board; he stated he has inspections today and the final inspection tomorrow and should have the Occupancy Permit by the end of the week to open the package store. Mr. Downes also requested to change the trade name to Hammer's Bar & Grill; he would like to change the corporation name as well and was told he would need to submit an application packet for this. Commissioner Cameron made a motion to approve the trade name change; Commissioner Curry seconded that motion and the Board unanimously approved the trade name change. Mr. Downes also requested a one-month extension to open the package store and four-month extension to open the restaurant; Commissioner Cameron made a motion to approve the extension; Commissioner Curry seconded that motion and the Board unanimously approved the month extension.

## **RECLASSIFICATION**

Application received from Raymond Sami, Gregory S. McMahon, Eileen Goetz, Port Vape & Brew LLC, T/A Port Vape & Brew, 8 South Main Street, Port Deposit, MD 21904 for reclassification of Class "D" Beer Only alcoholic beverage license to Class "D" Beer and Light Wine alcoholic beverage license.

Gregory McMahon and Eileen Goetz appeared before the Board, Raymond Sami was away for work and was excused; the applicants were duly sworn by the Clerk. Mr. Wilson read the legal notice which appeared on dates of April 13 and 20, 2016. The fully executed application packet with proper fees included: signatures of 10 registered voters and property owners in District 7; a signed zoning certification signed by Vicki Rinkerman, Administrator, Town of Port Deposit; the certification form stated "to provide a local pub type atmosphere in Port Deposit serving beer and wine only. We will also retail local art and vape products." Mr. McMahon stated they've had many requests to serve wine. Chairman Snelling asked if there will be any other changes; Mr. McMahon stated no. Commissioner Curry made a motion to approve the transfer; Commissioner Cameron seconded that motion and the Board unanimously voted to approve the transfer.

## **TRANSFER**

Application received from Naynika A. Patel, President and Sondra Larsen, Cecil County Resident; Tech Pride of America, Inc. T/A Happy 40 Liquors, 600 E. Pulaski Highway, Elkton, MD 21921 for transfer and reclassification of Class "B" Beer, Wine and Liquor Alcoholic Beverage License to Class "A" Beer, Wine and Liquor Alcoholic Beverage License from Anil Indubhai Patel, President; Naynika Patel, Vice President; Sondra Larson, Resident Agent; Tech Pride of America, Inc. T/A Happy 40 Liquors, 600 E. Pulaski Highway, Elkton, MD 21921

Naynika A. Patel, Sondra Larsen and Anil Indubhai Patel appeared before the Board; the applicants were duly sworn by the Clerk. Mr. Wilson read the legal notice which appeared on dates of April 13 and 20, 2016. The fully executed application packet with proper fees included: signatures of 10 registered voters and property owners in District 3; a signed zoning certification signed by Charles Bromwell, Director, Building & Zoning, Town of Elkton; the certification form stated "Retail liquor store, size 6.667 +/- sq ft building on 2.219 acres." Mr. Patel stated he transferred his shares to his wife. He continued he's been in business 14 years and there will be no other changes to the business. Mr. Wilson asked if the answers to the questions on the application submitted are the same today as when the application was submitted; both applicants stated yes. Commissioner Curry made a motion to approve the transfer; Commissioner Cameron seconded that motion and the Board unanimously voted to approve the transfer.

Application received from Michelle D. Jackson and Elsie Davila, Sisters & Suds, LLC T/A Bottom of the Hill Bar & Grill, 325 West Main Street, Rising Sun, MD 21911 for transfer of Class "B" Beer, Wine and Liquor Alcoholic Beverage License from Earl Young, President; Uncle Willy's, Inc.; T/A Bottom of the Hill Bar & Grill, 325 W. Main Street, PO Box 646, Rising Sun, MD 21911

Michelle Jackson and Elsie Davila appeared before the Board; the applicants were duly sworn by the Clerk. Mr. Wilson read the legal notice which appeared on dates of April 13 and 20, 2016. The fully executed application packet with proper fees included: signatures of 10 registered voters and property owners in District 6; a signed zoning certification signed by Calvin Bonenberger, Director, Town Administrator, Town of Rising Sun; the certification form stated "Restaurant w/BWL sales – patio and outdoor sales." Mr. Wilson asked if the answers to the questions on the application submitted are the same today as when the application was submitted; both applicants stated yes. Mrs. Trader stated Ms. Davila has been running the restaurant for several years; Ms. Davila stated there will be no change in the business. Commissioner Curry made a motion to approve the transfer; Commissioner Cameron seconded that motion and the Board unanimously voted to approve the transfer.

#### **General Business**

- Approve Minutes
   The minutes from the February 2016 meeting were approved.
- Specials

#### **New Business**

DBR Beer License/DBR On-Site Consumption Permit
Chief Bradford introduced the DBR license and on-site consumption permit;
Commissioner Cameron made a motion to approve the license and permit;
Commissioner Curry seconded that motion and the Board unanimously approved the DBR Beer License and DBR On-site Consumption Permit.

## **Old Business**

- **Beach Grill Plus** 10 X 20 deck with outdoor sales and consumption approved.
- VFW Complaints
- Expired Licenses
  - Black Pearl
  - Lafayette Inn 2
  - Pickled Herring
  - Stop & Shop
- Change of Officers as requested through renewal:
  - o Perryville Fire Company
  - Steak & Main

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourne BY:	adjourned.
Tim Snelling, Chairman ATTEST:	
Robin S. Trader, Administrative Assistant	