# 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**, **December 11**, **2013** at 9:15 A.M.

**PRESENT:** Tim Snelling, Chairman

John Eller, Commissioner H. Norman Wilson, Jr., Esquire

Earl R. Bradford, Chief Alcohol Beverage Inspector

#### **NEW LICENSE:**

Application received from Ingrid Louise Rautenberg, Managing Member; Denis Minihane, Member; Robert Valliant Jones, Resident Agent; Cunnamore, LLC, T/A Howard House, 101 West Main Street, Elkton, Maryland 21921 for issuance of a new Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor (BWL) Alcoholic Beverage License

Ingrid Rautenberg and Denis Minihane appeared before the Board with attorney, Robert Jones; they were duly sworn by the clerk. Mr. Wilson read the public notice which appeared on dates of November 27 and December 4, 2013. The fully executed application packet with proper fees included: signatures of 10 registered voters and property owners in District 3-7; Alcohol Awareness Training; Certification Form stating the nature of the business will be 'operation of a pub and restaurant on the ground floor; later expanding the restaurant to the upper floors'. Mr. Minihane stated they would like to have an authentic Irish Pub. Chairman Snelling stated he is glad to see the historical landmark being revitalized. The Board asked when they plan to open; Mr. Minihane stated before Christmas and they plan to have a large grand opening for St. Patrick's Day. Commissioner Eller made a motion to approve the license conditioned upon the issuance of the Occupancy Permit; Chairman Snelling seconded that motion and the Board unanimously approved the issuance of the license conditioned upon issuance of the Occupancy Permit.

### LICENSE TRANSFER:

Application received from Brian Clouthier, Managing Member; Dawn Clouthier, Managing Member; BND BK, LLC, T/A Southside Bar & Grill, 225 Bohemia Avenue, Chesapeake City, Maryland 21915 for transfer of Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor (BWL) Alcoholic Beverage License No. B-128 from Cheri L. Klunk, Managing Member; Gary P. Klunk, Member, Phoenix Two Yacht Club, L.L.C., T/A Southside's Bar & Grill, 225 Bohemia Avenue, Chesapeake City, MD 21915

Brian and Dawn Clouthier appeared before the Board; they were duly sworn in by the Clerk. Mr. Wilson read the public notice which appeared on dates of November 27 and December 4, 2013. The fully executed application packet with proper fees included: signatures of 10 registered voters and property owners in District 2-1; Alcohol Awareness Training; Certification Form stating the nature of the business will be 'operating as a bar and grill utilizing approximately 1700 square feet of designated space.' The Board asked if they planned to make any changes to the business; Mrs. Clouthier stated they will keep it the same and would like to be open on Sundays; they will be the day to day operators. The tentative settlement date is December 28. Commissioner Eller made a motion to approve the transfer conditioned upon settlement occurring; Chairman Snelling seconded that motion and the Board unanimously approved the transfer of the license conditioned upon settlement occurring.

#### **NEW LICENSE:**

Application received from David Carey, Member; Kenneth Frank Enders, Jr., Member; 600 Rowland LLC, 600 Rowland LLC, T/A Lee's Landing Seafood Company, 600 Rowland Drive, Port Deposit, Maryland 21904 for issuance of a new Class "B" Beer, Wine & Liquor (BWL) Alcoholic Beverage License

David Carey and Kenneth Enders appeared before the Board with attorney, Shelly Upton and manager, Charles Craven; the applicants were duly sworn in by the Clerk. Mr. Wilson read the public notice which appeared on dates of November 27 and December 4, 2013. The fully executed application packet with proper fees included: signatures of 10 registered voters and property owners in District 7-3; Alcohol Awareness Training; Certification Form stating the nature of the business will be 'operation of a tavern and restaurant at the 600 Rowland Drive, Port Deposit property.' Ms. Upton stated settlement is planned for the end of January and they would like to open for business by spring. The Board discussed live music and the problems with the neighbors in the past; Mr. Craven stated he has been proactive with the town and the neighbors and has already spoken with them and wish to be good neighbors. He stated that if they have live music it will not be until 10-11 at night. Commissioner Eller made a motion to approve the issuance of the license conditioned upon receiving copies of the necessary permits, settlement occurring, as well as, a six-month extension; Chairman Snelling seconded that motion and the Board unanimously approved the issuance of the license conditioned upon receiving copies of the necessary permits, settlement occurring, as well as a six-month extension.

#### **QUESTION:**

Dwight E. Thomey, Resident Agent; Frederick Bohn, Director of Food & Beverage; Christopher

Bruno, Director of Finance; Penn Cecil Maryland, Inc., T/A Hollywood Casino, 1201 Chesapeake Overlook Parkway, Perryville, MD 21903

Fred Bohn and Steven Lambert appeared before the Board; they have questions about events they would like to hold at the casino. They would like to offer a complimentary dinner to those customers who have earned this and have cash sales to the general public. They would work with local brewing companies and have a 4 oz. tasting with each course of the meal. They would like to offer this six times a year and have a VIP dinner during the other months. The Board feels that as long as it's 'complimentary', they do not have an issue with it.

#### **General Business**

- Approve Minutes
   The minutes from the October 30, 2013 meeting were approved
- Catering Events
- Specials

## **Old Business**

#### **New Business:**

 Cherry Hill Liquors: - Chief Bradford stated we have received a lease management agreement from Cherry Hill Investment Group, LLC – Commissioner Eller made a motion to approve the lease management agreement; Chairman Snelling seconded that motion and the Board unanimously voted to approve the lease management agreement.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjou BY:	rned.
Tim Snelling, Chairman	
ATTEST:	
Robin S. Coyle, Administrative Assistant	